



CYCLING CLUB

5th Annual General Meeting

Friday 21st February 2014 7:30 pm
Windelstrae Hotel Kinross

Present

22 members attended

Paul Zarb, Nick Rowan, Duncan Campbell, Andy Bruce, Christian Darbyshire, Carolanne Cappe, Trevor Keer, Dave Houston, Robert Armitage, Craig Johnston, Paul Hutton, George Shanley, Paul Maddocks, Lachlan Maclean, Angus McCulloch, Ewan Findlay, John Myerscough, Calum Punton, Kirsty Ellis, Jane Peden, Chris Roland

Apologies

6 Apologies were received

Veronica Duncan, Dave Jo-Chaplin, Sandy Bennet, Lynne Bennet, Eric Hall, Stewart Herd.

Welcome

The Chair welcomed all to the 5th Annual general Meeting of Kinross Cycling Club

Minutes of the 2013 AGM

The minutes of last year's AGM were approved.

Proposed Paul Hutton. Seconded Dave Houston

Secretary's Report

The secretary provided a summary of the year's activities. The report is attached at appendix 1 of these minutes.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer provided a positive financial report, showing a bank balance of £31k with a final surplus of £9k after liabilities. Events have been mostly self-funding. It was confirmed that the charges for the sportive timing equipment remained unbilled. The Treasurer's report is at appendix 2.

Amendments to the Club Constitution

The following amendments to the club constitution were approved.

- a. From Article 5 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE & OFFICE BEARERS –
 - i. Delete "Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer may only hold the post for 3 consecutive years. After which they may not hold one of these posts until a lapse of 2 years however they may stay on the committee without responsibility."
 - ii. Reason – To enable the membership to choose from the widest range of available members and ensure where no other member is willing to take up a post the existing post holder can re-stand for the position if nominated by a member of the club.

Proposed Angus McCulloch, Seconded Nick Rowan

- b. From Article 6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
 - i. Amend – "The Annual General Meeting will be held during January." to "The Annual General Meeting will be held during February".
 - ii. Reason – To enable the completion of the clubs financial year and the allow the Club Treasurer to provide a complete and up to picture of the clubs accounts.

Proposed Paul Maddocks Seconded Dave Houston

- c. From Article 10. BANK ACCOUNT - All Club funds must be lodged in a bank account in the name of the Club. The bank account shall have a minimum of two signatories, one of whom shall be the Club Treasurer. All withdrawals from the Bank account shall be signed by two of the account signatories.
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- ii. Reason to enable the club adopt the use of electronic banking with the current bankers the RBS

Proposed Paul Hutton Seconded Craig Johnston

- d. From Article 12. DISSOLUTION - If at an AGM or SGM a motion to dissolve the Club is approved, the net assets of the Club after payment of all debts shall be donated to a local charity to be mutually agreed.

Proposed Ewan Findlay Seconded Robert Armitage

Minor amendments have been made to the constitution to capture the requirements of CASC. (The Community Amateur Sports Club Scheme, which gives access to a range of tax relief entitlements, including gift aid)

It was agreed to maintain a log of all amendments to the constitution as an appendix to the constitution. Paul Zarb agreed that the revised constitution, including the appendix of revisions, is posted on the club web site.

Note: John Myerscough questioned if the motions being presented to the AGM had been circulated to the membership. It was stated at the meeting that this had been the case, however the Secretary subsequently confirmed that, due to an administrative error on his part the circulation of motions had been restricted to the Committee. It is agreed that in future all motions will be provided to the full membership at least 7 days before the AGM

Election of Committee Members

In accordance with the constitution all members of the committee are deemed to have resigned.

Angus McCulloch advised that he was not seeking re-election to the committee.

Paul Zarb, Nick Rowan and Duncan Campbell advised that they were prepared to continue as Chair, Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

Proposed Robert Armitage Seconded George Shanley
carried "nem con"

Veronica Duncan advised that she was prepared to continue as kit manager

Proposed

Trev Keer advised that he was prepared to continue as web master

Proposed Paul Zarb seconded Paul Hutton
carried "nem con"

Stewart Herd was nominated to join the committee and to take the role of FCA representative.

Proposed Paul Zarb seconded Paul Hutton
carried "nem con"

Carolanne Cappie advised that she was prepared to continue as membership secretary.

Proposed Dave Houston seconded Calum Punton
Carried "nem con"

The following members agreed to continue as members of the committee without portfolio.

Christian Darbyshire Proposed Paul Maddocks Seconded Nick Rowan
Dave Jo- Chaplin Proposed

The following members were nominated to join the committee without portfolio

Craig Johnston Proposed Paul Hutton Seconded Chris Roland
Jane Peden Proposed Nick Rowan Seconded Carolanne Cappie
George Shanley Proposed Paul Zarb Seconded Ewan Findlay
All carried "nem con"

Andy Bruce advised that he was prepared to continue as Club President

Proposed Paul Maddocks Seconded Craig Johnston
Carried "nem con"

General Business

a) Membership Fees

The committee recommended that club membership fees be continued at £10 per annum, to run from 1st March to 28th February each year.

Proposed Nick Rowan Seconded Robert Armitage
Carried "nem con"

b) Plans for the coming year

The cyclo cross event will be run again this year, with the date of 23rd November set. Thanks were expressed to Paul Hutton Robert Armitage and Stewart Herd for their efforts in organising, running and making this event successful.

The GP series of ten events will continue in 2014. Members expressed their appreciation for the excellent work done by John Myerscough in providing the timing for these events.

The 2014 Sportive is fully booked with around 800 entries.

Any Other Business

Paul Hutton opened a discussion on the need for more members to contribute to the running of events on the day in order to ease the burden on those who regular fulfil these tasks. It was suggested that participants took part in a maximum of 8 events and help out in 2 others. The committee agreed to consider how this might be implemented.

It was noted that a decision was made at last year's AGM that the overall winner of an event should not be eligible to pick up category prizes. This had not been implemented and was not recorded in the minutes. Paul Hutton proposed that this be implemented this year. John Myerscough spoke against the motion. After discussion a vote was held and the motion carried 16 in favour to 4 against. It was agreed that the system would be reviewed after one year. Last year's minutes to be amended.

Proposed Paul Hutton Seconded Andy Bruce
Against John Myerscough seconded Dave Houston
Carried 16 to 4

Trevor Keer provided details on the veterans (aged based) handicap system that is to be implemented this year for evaluation. No consideration had yet been given to prizes.

Nick Rowan suggested that participation in cyclo cross events should be recognised in club awards. The Committee agreed to consider this during the year.

Angus McCulloch noted that the club had not provided any information to the Kinross Newsletter for some time. John Myerscough had raised this issue previously and suggested a need for a communications officer. It was recognised that this duty might be less onerous if shared. The committee would take this forward as an agenda item for the next business meeting.

Carolanne Cappie spoke about the need for more structure to Sunday rides, to cater for the growing numbers and mixed abilities. This item, as ever, generated much debate but with no clear agreement on the best way forward. There was a general consensus that reverting to the two route model may be worth trying.

Paul Hutton raised the matter of cycling behaviour, particularly when group riding. The general view expressed was to avoid dictat but to seek to influence good behaviour through peer pressure. Kirsty Ellis suggested a simple guide be provided to new members and made available on the web site. Angus McCulloch proposed a social gathering for all members. Paul Zarb agreed to organise a one hour presentation from a cycling coach to cover recommended practice for issues such as visibility, lighting and use of guards in wet weather.

As there was no further business, the Chair thanked all those in attendance for coming along and participating fully in the meeting.

The meeting finished at 2140 hours.

Date of Next Meeting

The next AGM will take place in February 2015. Date and venue will be circulated one month in advance.

Secretary's Report

Membership Continues to Grow

From just below 100 this time last year, the membership now stands at 112, suggesting the interest in cycling in all forms is not a blip, but a sustained development. The club seems to be seen as an open friendly club that people want to be involved in. It is important that we don't lose the "friendly" informal nature of our club as a result of the growth in scale. Ladies days, organised by Carolanne Cappie have proved popular and the membership now includes 24 females.

Yet another successful Sportive

The Sportive Kinross was ridden by 672 riders this made the event the third largest in Scotland after the Tour of the Borders c.870 and the Etape Caledonia c.5,200. We continue to enjoy the sponsorship of Alpine Bikes and at this year's event we expect around 800 riders to participate. The event provides a good financial surplus for the club which enable us to run other events and contribute to the wider community. Feedback continues to be positive and as ever, learning points are taken on board to help improve the next event.

Competitive events

2013 saw the second running of the Road Races which proved a great success. The inaugural Team Trial event which was a tremendous success for the club (thank you to John Myerscough), The inaugural Cyclo-cross event we staged in conjunction with Sandy Wallace cycles which was another great success (thank you to Paul Hutton). All events will be staged again this year. Dates for the road races and TTT have been confirmed we are waiting on a date for the cyclo-cross.

Family and childrens related events

Last year we had to cancel the Family Cycle Challenge due to inclement weather impacting on another event which required our date as their back up slot. This year the FCC is set for Sunday 27th April and we are now open for entries. We are planning on staging a series of 3 mid week childrens grass circuit races over the summer more details once the venue has been confirmed.

Mountain biking

Kenny Dagleish has been working steadily offering MTB opportunities and these continue.

Grand Prix Series

Ten events were held again this year, including 5mile, 10 mile and 25 mile and loch leven time trials.

FCA

KCC members are notable in the regular FCA time trials and non competing members continue to contribute to the support needed on the day to keep these events running smoothly.

Social Events

Social events post the Thursday night GP series proved popular, our quiz team won the rugby club quiz night and we staged our own very successful quiz night in February.

Charitable Donations

Last year we donated £500 to Milnathort Primary School to assist with developing childrens cycling, this year we plan to support the Kinross Otters with a donation of £500.

Other Notable issues

Congratulations to Carolanne Cappie on her qualification as British Cycling coach

Looking back everything we have done and achieved has only been possible due to the many contributions of club members at varying levels be that as part of the management committee or turning out to help Marshall an event, so a thank you to all who have contributed and helped out.

Success brings overheads. Growth in numbers = growth in complexity – constitution, financial management etc. There is a continuing need for wider contribution as the increasing burden falls on a small group of people. Sustainability requires succession planning and others to be prepared to take on the mantle. Discussion point for AOB.

Cycling behaviour. As the club numbers grow, we are more visible and identifiable as a club. Members should accept personal responsibility for complying with road traffic requirements and good cycling etiquette. This issue is worth discussion under AOB.