

Minutes of AGM Cycle Club Bexley

Held on 27th November 2024

At Bexley Park Sports & Social Club 19:00

Present:

Deb Boxall, Richard Boxall, Andrew Efford, Marc Engall, Gary Grayland, John Hastings, Peter Jackson, Mick Morris, Murray Spencer, Mark Vowells and Tim Wardlow.

Apologies for absence from:

Murray and Angela Spencer, Paul Bailey, Kevin Ayllot, Sue Stroud, Alan Williams, Pete Granger, Carolyn Finch, Linda Jackson, Daz, Roy Canning, and Brian Heasman.

Marc welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes from February 2024 AGM approved.

Matters arising: None.

Retiring Committee Reports.

Chairman: Marc.

Mark said the club runs have been going well but there were plans to provide the routes in advance in GPX files with the help of Binz. Club kit was looking fantastic along with the flags and banner. He thanked all the volunteers for their work during the past year.

General Secretary: Gary Grayland stated that if any member wishes to view any of the clubs committee meeting minutes or official communications to contact him directly, copies can be supplied. He thanked all volunteers who helped with the running of all club events, noting Richard's hard work throughout the year.

Treasurer: Richard presented a copy of his report to the members, in summary it detailed:

Deposit account: £2489.05

Current Account : £55.37

PayPal Account :£10.08

Cash in hand: £1.98

Clothing Stock : £0

Club funds decreased £580.55 in 2023/24. This was attributed to the purchase of a new portable BBQ totalling £415.00, enabling easier storage and easier to transport. The cost of affiliations have increased and the expense of the Christmas social and BBQ have also gone up. The income from the Evening 9 series has remained consistent but much lower than historically. Owing to the increased cost the committee has proposed an increase in yearly membership subs. These will rise to £15 for a full member and £10 for a social member, for 2025. The committee will review the cost next year with a further increase in 2026 if necessary. The club currently has 57 members as of October 2024.

The accounts were reviewed by Deborah Goodchild, offering a “true and fair reflection of the financial accounting of the club”.

Social Secretary: Deb Reported that the 2023 Christmas social was a ‘jolly affair’. Plenty of Christmas jumpers, good food, excellent company and of course the bar was open. This years event is on 4th December at Bexley Park Sports and Social club, £7 per person. Christmas jumpers optional!! The dates for next years social events will be confirmed once the venues have been booked. The clubs annual dinner is booked in for 5th April 2025 at Pedham place golf club. The ticket price remains £30 per person for 3 course dinner with tea/coffee after. The ‘Tea bars’ at the open 10 and Reliability trial were very successful. Deb would like to

thank all those who donated cakes and who helped out on the day. She also thanked anyone who has helped in any way over the last year.

All in all a good year socially, lets hope 2025 is just as good.

Racing Secretary: Post Vacant. A better evening 9 series for CCB members with 12 members riding the events and 3 members qualifying for the championships up for grabs. Richard has subscribed to Resultsheet.app again for the evening 9 and open 10 events. Paul Blacker asked about linking it to the club web site, this was agreed as a good idea. Richard canvassed for new volunteers to marshal the evening 9 events and future time keepers. He also informed the members that he will not be organising the 2025 reliability trial and no events in 2026, aiding any volunteers with what is required to run the events.

Magazine Editor: Murray for his unavoidable absence, due to work issues.

Web Master: Paul said the club site is being 'hacked' all the time, the security in place is keeping everything safe with PayPal protecting the finances. Work is progressing to have club run info live, showing the planned routes in advance. Online Membership form issues being addressed. The most viewed page on the site were the evening 9 and home page. Cycling UK affiliation now has a link to the club home page.

Clothing Secretary: Marc Clothing supplier all good but we are still struggling to reach the minimum order to obtain the discounts. The supplier ImpSport have offered free custom fitting for the 'fast' skin suit, contact Marc for info.

Committee Members: No reports.

Election of the committee for 2025: All current committee members were willing to continue to remain in post, Mick Bebbington has stood down. No volunteer has been found for the post of racing secretary.

Chairman – Marc Engall

General Secretary – Gary Grayland.

Social Secretary – Debbie Boxall.

Treasurer – Richard Boxall.

Racing Secretary – No volunteer. Duties split between current officers.

Magazine Editor – Murray Spencer.

Web Master – Paul Blacker.

Clothing Secretary – Marc Engall.

Committee Members – Andy Elford and BinZ (Mike Spicer).

Election of Auditor – Deborah Goodchild

All officers were proposed by Paul Blacker seconded by Deb Boxall.

Vote carried unanimously.

Proposals: only one received. Increase club subscriptions to £15/10. Proposed by the committee. This was voted in favour unanimously.

Club Championships 2024:

10 Miles – 31st May Clubs open 10 event on Q10/24.

25 Miles – 22nd June Q25/10 Thanet RC event

50 miles – 6th July Q50/11 VTTA event

100 Miles – Any 100 mile event promoted on behalf of CTT

12 hour – Any 12 hour event promoted on behalf of CTT

Hill Climb – 20th August QH/5 Stanstead

Triathlon Championships- Date to be confirmed East Essex Tri event

MTB: Date to be confirmed. Travers MTB Series Essex.

Evening 9's 1st May to 31st July.

Open 10 – 31 May on Q10/24 Richard Boxall promoting.

Reliability trial: date to be confirmed November 2025

AOB: Mick Morris- Mick asked why the evening 9 event on 3rd August 2024 not run. Richard said that he hadn't applied for the date with the CTT and not included it in the Police notice for the season so the event couldn't be run. For 2025 the event is included in the CTT's list of events and police notice so will go ahead.

Mick also asked why the other committee members are not taking on organising 'things' for the club. Richard explained he wanted more members to 'step up' and help, the upshot will be the club fails. Marc said we need to canvas all members to help. Mark Vowells thanked Richard & Deb for all their work in keeping things going for all.

Richard B mentioned the club constitution has no championship for the ladies in the Evening TT series.

Discussion was had regarding only one member entrant in a club championship event receiving an award. It was generally accepted that this will continue in the future to encourage new riders.

Mick thanked all that helped at 2024 reliability trial.

Marc thanked all for attending the meeting. If any members have any ideas on how to better the club please contact the committee members.

The meeting was closed at 20:06