Minutes of meeting of Southport Cycling Club held at Club Room on Tuesday 11th March, 2014.

Present:

Allan Taylor (Chair)

Peter Scott

Richard Cary

Howard Massam

Dave Ritchie

Juliet Jardine

Derek Unsworth

Maddie Scott

Margaret Biggs

Irene Gunn

Will White Graham Moreton (Invited Member)

Neil Robinson

Apologies received from Ken Back, Vincent Kelly and Simon Kirwan

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as being an accurate account of the proceedings.

Treasurers Report

Peter presented his report showing the Income and Expenditure and pointed out that we had received a lot of prerace entries for the Dolan Races as well as two grants but there would be a lot of outgoings in the next couple of months.

Membership

Will reported that the new system was working well and we currently had 170 paidup/life members. About 30 people had not renewed their membership and there was a discussion re should these members be contacted. There would be a reminder put on the web that people can renew their membership on line as well as renewing their CTC membership at the Affiliated Rate by quoting reference 8001544.

Membership cards were available and had been posted, whilst others were in the club room but very few seem to be collected.

Club Kit

A discussion took place re proposed system for ordering kit from Champion Systems but there was a need to clarify the system regarding delivery cost.

Design of both jerseys and shorts was finalised.

Margaret announced that the Sales Manager from the Company would be at the Club next Monday from 7.30pm and he would bring with him samples for people to try on so they could get the correct fit. Margaret and Allan to talk to him to finalise prices and delivery details.

Web Site Design

As Simon was not present this was left until the next meeting.

Time Trials

Richard presented his proposals for the points system for the next season of Time Trials as we no longer had outside funding and it was agreed by the Committee that instead of cash prizes, medals would be presented for the all the various categories. (This is only for the 10's)

The entry fee would be maintained at £4 for all entrants.

The Committee agreed that at the end of the season, they would look at maybe paying some expenses to the timekeepers.

Richard pointed out that the course had yet to be finalised and this needs to be done urgently as the Police need to be advised in advance. Richard to discuss with Bill Lloyd.

Secretary

As Ken was on holiday, Allan briefly went through the list of items on the Agenda:

Mayor's Charity Fund - £840 had been received and would be used towards the cost of plastic gutter boards and electrical wiring testing.

New track bikes - We had received the £1000 from MBNA and two of the bikes had already been delivered. There were still two on order.

Dolan Races - Ken was looking at the price of radios to be used at the races, as well as for the Time Trials.

Ben Gautrey Foundation - they will be giving us £1000 to be used for the purchase of junior cycling tops which will have thei logo on in addition to the club colours.

Meeting was planned in Manchester for 23rd March and Ken and Juliet will be attending.

Track Night had been booked for the Velodrome on 22nd May and cost would be £20. We would have 20 places.

It was agreed by the Committee that Peter Scott could buy the "Bulls" bike from the Club.

Social Secretary

The Committe discussed who should present the prizes on the evening of the Annual Dinner and they came to a good conclusion.

A.O,B

Graham gave a talk on setting up a group page on Strava and Facebook so people can see what the Clubis doing but it was generally felt that we already had a web page with a Twitter feed and other "feeds" on the page would be "messy".

It was agreed that Graham should set-up a group Facebook page which would have a link to the web-site (and the web site a link to the facebook page). Graham to do some work on Strava and submit to Allan for further consideration.

The Champions boards need to be updated and consideration was to be given as to how we did this. The last time they were done Anna arranged it.

Richard is planning to attempt two club records this year and asked for assistance with timekeeping. The first is Southport to Settle - 108 miles and Dave volunteered to look at dates so he could help.

The second is Southport to Carlisle at a later date.

The date of the next meeting would be April 15th.