Minutes of Committee meeting of Southport Cycling Club held at Club Room on Tuesday 2nd September 2014.

Present: Ken Beck (in the Chair) Peter Scott Will White Dave Ritchie Howard Massam Neil Robinson Irene Gunn

Apologies Allan Taylor, Richard Cary, Margaret Biggs, Simon Kirwan, Vincent Kelly.

The minutes of the last meeting were passed as an accurate account of proceedings.

Matters arising: Will had been looking into possible replacements for the heaters but had not found anything that seemed to be suitable. This needed further investigation before the winter. The comment was made that the room as well as being cold felt damp.

Neil commented that it had been very difficult to get information put into The Visitor and they seemed to have changed their deadline for articles. He also said that he was not receiving information or articles for publishing.

Treasurers Report

There had been an increase on amount of subscriptions received this year over last although the actual membership number is yet to be established.

Two weeks of TT entrance fees had just been received and would be added into the amounts shown. There had been an increase on the amount paid for the lease of the building and Ken is looking into a possible change of insurer for the building.

Club Kit

Racing caps were now in stock at a price of £8.50 and the shop is open on line for two weeks. We still need to clear some of the surplus stock in very small sizes.

We had received three sets of green race numbers but without eyelets for pins. Irene agreed to look in her surplus stock from her shop and see if she could help. Labour would be a problem! 1,200 eyelets.

Web Site

New site was up and running but not many people were using the Forum. No list of old track champions were on the new site but as Ken had a list this could be added.

Time Trials

Richard had sent some notes and informed us that over 200 people had raced this year in the 10s and 25s.

At times we had been very short of Marshalls and Timekeepers and this needed to be sorted for next year.

Bill Lloyd had volunteered to organise the Open 25 for next year and the committee agreed.

Annual Dinner

There had been an increase in the cost of the meal to $\pounds 18.95$ but it was felt that as we did not have as many other expenses, we should make the price $\pounds 20$.

We would be holding a MacMillan Coffee Morning on Saturday 27th September from 9.00am

and it was hoped that some of the Saturday riders would support it either before or after their ride.

Margaret, Howard, Jean and I would man the event and Irene would buy the milk etc. Donations of cakes would be welcome. We would try to get our event listed in the local papers.

Secretarys Report

We were still waiting for the joiner to finish the guttering and soffits.

Ken had attended the Sefton Sports Council meeting along with Colin and Allan and shown the number of events that we run for cyclists in the Sefton Area. We would continue to receive the reduction in rates but need to attend their regular meetings in future.

First Aid Courses. Vince had supplied some information and it was suggested that this be put on the web site to see if anyone was interested in being involved.

Ben Gautrey Foundation

The Club had paid for the juniors to ride their event and there was a very good turnout. All juniors had now received a club jersey from the foundation but they have been told they are only on loan and Ken has a list of who has them.

British Gas are installing a Smart Meter the day after the meeting.

Road Jersey for Phil Melville.

Phil had given the club a large donation and we were trying to supply him with a jersey but this was proving difficult in view of the new sizing.

A.O.B

Howard advised that he would not be standing for the position of Social Secretary at the AGM. As it was proving difficult to arrange a further committee meeting in October due to holidays, the menu for the Dinner was picked and is very similar to last year.

Bill Lloyd would be contacted to arrange printing of tickets etc.

The next meeting will be 4th November at 7.00pm.