

Minutes of Committee meeting of Southport Cycling Club held at Club Room on Tuesday 8th July 2014.

Present: Ken Beck (in the Chair)
Richard Cary
Simon Kirwan
Will White
Dave Ritchie
Howard Massam
Juliet Jardine
Irene Gunn

Apologies: Colin Baldwin, Allan Taylor, Peter Scott, Margaret Biggs

The minutes of the last meeting were passed as an accurate account of proceedings and there were no matters arising.

Ken asked what should be done with the camera that Jonathan had purchased with grant money but had hardly been used. It was felt that now that transponders were used in the Dolan races, it was no longer needed. Simon agreed to find a valuation for it then it would be offered for sale on the web page.

Club Kit

Racing hats had been ordered and will be paid for out of the initial deposit we paid. It is likely that the shop will be open again soon for placing orders and end of August was thought to be a good time.

Annual Dinner

Venue was booked and menus would be received in September.

Sign Outside of Club

Ken is going to cut down one of the signs we already have and put it up.

Pedals

2 sets of pedals had now been purchased for the track bikes.

Dolan Races

Ken presented the accounts showing a healthy profit for the Club but there was still an invoice to come in for the medals. Jerseys for this year had been bought last year for economy of order size.

Guttering

Not yet completed.

Sefton Sports Council

In order to reduce our rates bill we need to go to at least 25% of the council meetings but we were finding it difficult to get people to attend. Jules agreed to go to any that were held in Crosby.

First Aid Courses

We need to contact Vincent to see if there is any progress on this.

Ben Gautery Foundation

The jerseys had now been received for the junior riders and looked very smart. It was agreed that they would only be given out to regular riders and would remain the property of the Club. A record would be kept of who had received them.

Ken has had an offer to swap one of our 54 bikes for a 46. This was agreed as we were finding the larger bikes get used less.

Track Night

The track night at the Velodrome on 22nd May in conjunction with High on Bikes had not been well attended and it was suggested that any future dates should avoid clashing with Time Trials.

Bill Bradley Ride 2015

It was felt that for next year we should try and organize another official ride if possible so that we could continue our support of McMillan Nurses.

Web Update

Simon reported that the Forum was working well but had been set with very high security settings and unless you were registered with properly recognised name, you would be denied access. A framed print of the group photo was ordered.

Membership Secretary

The new system is working OK but there is still a problem knowing how many youth members we have. Ken to provide list (about 45)

Will felt there were many issues on Club Rides and we should try to be more welcoming to new members.

Electrics Update

Electrics in the Club Room have been completed and the large lamppost outside sorted out. Better heaters were needed inside the room and Will agreed to look into what was available.

Open 25

Richard reported that arrangements were going well for the event with prizes, flyers and projector organised but he was worried that we may not get enough marshals.

It is a very busy course with lots of turns and we would need about 10 marshals.

AOB

It was agreed that we would give a small gift to the three residents that live near the end of the 10's course, especially for providing the parking provision. Alan Stark to advise.

It was felt that we are not getting any press coverage at the moment despite there being lots of things happening. At one time results of the 10's appeared every week along with photos from rides and races. Situation to be looked into.

The next meeting will be held on 2nd September 2014.