

**Minutes of meeting of Southport Cycling Club held at Club Room  
on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2014.**

**Present:**

Allan Taylor (Chair)  
Ken Beck  
Peter Scott  
Richard Cary  
Howard Massam  
Dave Ritchie  
Will White

Vincent Kelly  
Juliet Jardine  
Simon Kirwan  
Maddie Scott  
Margaret Biggs  
Irene Gunn

Apologies received from Neil Robinson  
Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as well as the minutes for the special meeting to establish banking details, now that Peter has taken over from Bill Lloyd.

As Margaret was late in arriving, we started with points 2 and 3 on the Agenda.

**Treasurers Report**

Peter advised that he was in the process of changing the Club`s account at HSBC and had passed over all the relevant documents but the account was not yet active.

Richard said that money from the 10`s would be passed over on a regular basis once the season started in April.

**New Membership System**

Will reported that Allan had set up a new system on the web page to ensure that we had an up-to-date list of all members complete with their names, addresses and email addresses. This had been tested and seemed to be working well with members sending in their details and subs for the new season.

Membership cards were available and had been posted, whilst others were in the club room awaiting collection.

**Club Kit**

Margaret apologised for arriving late due to a family medical problem.

The amount of stock we had at present was discussed and also where all stock should be kept in the future. Previously Ken kept it in his loft in cardboard boxes.

It was agreed that we would buy a 6 ft metal cabinet that would be in the clubroom and kept locked. Will to investigate.

After discussion, it was agreed that at this point in time we would stay with the current colour and design but when ordering new kit we may slightly adjust how many logos appear.

Margaret had been investigating suppliers and felt that we should go to GSG but insist that we have samples of all sizes in the club so that people could try on before buying. GSG should also supply a guide to sizing to avoid the problem of the previous stock being a different fit to that sent in the past.

Margaret to contact GSG with regard to pricing and sizing and report back to the committee. Allan would then put details on the webpage.

It may be that in future we ask people to pay in advance for goods ordered or at least pay a deposit.

### **Dinner Dance**

Howard reported that he had been doing a survey of members and out of 45 only 2 had any adverse comments about the Old Links Venue. He had contacted the Ramada but it was a lot more expensive and they couldn't do the 21<sup>st</sup> November. At the moment that date was still free at the Old Links and it was agreed that Howard would go ahead on book it.

### **Web Site Design**

This was discussed at length and the various proposals put forward by Simon. Simon agreed to go ahead on the redesign and said he was happy to maybe get the banner of the site redesigned to give more impact.

### **Dolan Races**

Ken reported that he had already received some entries for the races.

Because of the high costs involved with using St. John's Ambulance we would be changing to The Red Cross.

The format of the racing had been changed and it was hoped that this would make the day run more smoothly.

We had received the funding for the trackbikes from HBNA and the committee agreed that the club would pay for one more bike so that more youth riders could have the chance to ride at the track.

The Ben Gautrey Foundation were having a dinner at the Floral Hall on 15<sup>th</sup> February, when Dan Salcido would be presented with a bike donated by Dave Williams. It is hoped that we may be able to persuade some of our members to attend – the cost being £30 per person. Irene and Jim would like to buy two tickets.

Go Ride Meeting – Jules and Ken were going to Manchester on 23<sup>rd</sup> March to attend a meeting .

### **Time Trials Secretary**

The format for the Time Trial points competition was discussed with Richard putting forward several options. It was decided that Richard would come back with a firm proposal for the next committee meeting.

### **First Aid Courses**

Vincent to chase this up.

### **Group Riding Etiquette**

In view of the number of accident in recent months, it was agreed to put a document, as presented to the committee, on the notice board in the hope that it would make riders more aware of risks when riding in a group.

### **A.O.B**

Dave Ritchie asked if it would be possible to hire the club room maybe once a month for 2 hours to have a meeting between foster carers. It was agreed that a charge of £20 per meeting would be appropriate.

Ken`s expenses payment was approved.

Life members – it was felt that the only way we could appoint life members was at the AGM.

Dates for the next meetings were agreed as 11<sup>th</sup> February, 11<sup>th</sup> March and 8<sup>th</sup> April.

The meeting ended at 9.00pm