# CYCLING UK / FIFE & KINROSS CTC

# Minutes of the 94<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2016 Kingskettle Village Hall, Fife

**Welcome from the President:** The meeting was opened at 13:40 by our President, David Gibson. The President welcomed the 23 members present and our visitors from Cycling UK, Ralph Jessop, Suzanne Forrup and Esmond Sage.

After being introduced the floor was given over to Esmond Sage who gave an explanation of their duties within Cycling UK (Cycling UK (Scotland) and that we actually have two Cycling UK representatives covering our area due to where Cycling UK have drawn their boundaries. An explanation of the 'Big Bike Revival' project was given and various other events being held both nationally and in Fife.

An update on the work that is currently being done in Fife on the Cycling Centre and cycle track at Lochgelly/Lochore to encourage youngsters as well as adults was given, whilst Suzanne Forrup informed those present of future events designed specifically to encourage more women into cycling.

The President, after thanking our visitors, thanked the Committee for their work over the last year before handing the Chair over to our Chairperson, Linda Body, who started the AGM proper by thanking the Members for attending AGM and explaining the format of this year's AGM.

Thanks were given by the Chair in recognition of George McDermid's continuing work on the Website and the Facebook/Twitter pages.

**Present.** 23 Members attended the AGM (see attendance sign in sheet)

**Apologies.** Apologies were received from George McDermid, Denise Chapman, Lorraine Brown, Charlie Brown and George Berwick.

#### Minutes of the 2015 AGM:-

Minutes of the 2105 AGM were circulated to those in attendance.

There were no objections to the 2015 AGM minutes and were approved as being accurate by George White and seconded by John King prior to being signed off by the President, David Gibson.

## **Annual Reports**

# Secretary's report, Kaye Lynch (KL)

KL explained the responsibilities of the Secretary which included:-

- Co-ordinating 3 to 4 Committee meetings per year.
- Responding to requests and communications from individual Fife and Kinross members, e.g. info about meets, links with other member groups etc.
- Dealing with emails from external organisations, e.g. surveys, updates on cycle track condition, invitations to cycle related meetings/events.
- Receiving info from Cycling UK Scotland and distributing to committee and members e.g. training opportunities, Tri-Vets and other National events, info of the Cycling UK rebranding/name change etc.
- Reporting stats on club activities to Cycling UK HQ.

**KL** reminded those present that she had completed her last year as Secretary after giving notice of at least a year and hoped that she could soon have a break and hand the post to another member.

#### Registration Officer's report, David Gibson (DG)

**DG** explained that from the monthly membership lists received from HQ was able to welcome 20 new members who are resident in Fife & Kinross and that there are currently 297 subscribers within our member group area.

This year congratulations went to Past President, Bert Brown who received a presentation from HQ to mark 75 years' continuous membership. Bert has served the club loyally over the years and although he may have hung up his wheels he is remembered with affection by those who shared the miles with him. We wish Bert the very best for the future.

Runs Committee Report. Runs Committee consists of Linda Body (LB), Nan Shepherd (NS), Ian Nicol (IN) LB read the Runs Committee's report.

This year saw a full calendar which had to incorporate quite a few changes of location.

Once again venues were tried in different areas each week so that the same roads weren't being travelled all the time.

The first 40 Saturday meets of 2016 had 406 attendances averaging 10 per meet.

The 22 Wednesday meets had 164 attending, averaging 7.5 per meet.

It was intended that a note would be taken of other events in the Fife & Kinross area such as Galas, Marathons, Sportifs etc. so that the venues could be chosen to avoid them if possible. Comments about this year's venues and suggestions for new venues were welcomed.

**IN** informed the members that, due to popular demand, that Wednesday meets were to be held every week in the summer period and that it was also intended to re-introduce occasional led runs in the summer.

#### Right to Ride (Road), Ian Nicol (IN)

A quiet year was had due to health and changing personnel at Fife Council (**FC**). A good meeting had been had with the new FC contact, Jane Finlay and it was hoped that a cooperative relationship can be nurtured with our group, which tends to represent the kind of "non-sporting" cyclists **FC** are targeting with their various infrastructure projects. It was hoped that an offer (on behalf of the Committee) would be taken up to report road/cycle path issues to **FC** and to support **FC** sponsored events such as local Bike Festivals. It is intended to make contact with Perth and Kinross Council to form a similar partnership.

#### Right to Ride (Off road), George Berwick (GB)

**GB**'s report Right to Ride report was read in his absence. It was reported that **GB** had continued to attend Fife Access Forum meetings and to put forward the cyclists' viewpoint.

A further plea was made by GB to report any problems on cycle routes to FC.

#### Club Hut report, George Berwick (GB)

**GB**'s Hut report was read in his absence. GB thanked the members who turned up to make repairs on the Loch Earn hut.

The hut has been re-felted and the outside repainted, with the inside also receiving attention.

The removal of the old blankets and some of the foam mattresses is in progress.

A second key has been lodged with the secretary, KL.

#### Newsletter Editor's report, Dougie Latto (DL)

**DL** reported that there had only been one edition of Fife Wheels since the 2015 AGM. As in recent years the articles have trickled in sporadically and due to this lack of regular copy it was decided to no longer try to keep pace with the seasons at the rate of 4 editions per year and to publish only when there was enough copy to compile a 16 page newsletter. A recent flurry of articles had been submitted so a newsletter would likely be published before the end of the year.

**DL** thanked all of the contributors, both regular and new, for their articles.

# Social report, George Shepherd (GS)

**GS** reported that the Annual Lunch would soon be coming up again. Other venues were being sought so that the lunch wasn't being held in the same place each year but it was felt that it would be hard to match the value and service that the club has received at the Crusoe Hotel, Upper Largo. Events such as a slide show and 10 pin bowling were also being planned.

## Website/Social Media, George McDermid (GMcD)

**GMcD**'s report was read in his absence. It was reported that Web use was down almost to nothing with the Runs List being the only thing that any interest was shown in. Facebook and Twitter are 'trundling along' with **GMcD** posting things daily, which gets some dialogue, but members rarely make comment so it would be hard to know if it is used or not. The number of users has stabilised.

The combined Annual Reports were proposed as being accurate by John King and seconded by George Shepherd.

#### Treasurers report, Ian Nicol (IN)

**IN** reported that the financial year ended 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2016 and closed with a balance of £1732.32. Income was £227.00 and Expenditure was £180.79 giving a small surplus of £46.21.

**Income.** The income was made up from the flat rate Annual Subscription of £200.00 we receive from CTC (now Cycling UK) to help us run our group. This together with money received for overnight stays at the Loch Earn club hut and donations made for the use of the Kingskettle Hall as a meet venue.

**Expenditure.** Expenditure was from costs for repair to the Loch Earn club hut of some £153.71 and minor items of expenditure relating to hall hire and AGM materials.

**Assets.** Our fixed asset is our club hut, other assets include a projector, a gazebo and a clothing stock of three jerseys for purchase. Domestic rates, payable to Perth and Kinross Council for the club hut continue to be set at £0.00 (nil)

**IN** was pleased to report that the finances remain healthy, slightly up on last year.

Bank balance is £1668.67, Petty cash is £63.65, making up a Total of £1723.32.

Maureen Latto, the previous Treasurer, was thanked for her assistance when required and Beth Paterson on behalf of the club for auditing, approving and certifying the annual accounts. Cycling UK require a formal annual return of financial information from each Member Group. Our Member Group has been selected to become part of the overall Cycling UK Audit for 2016.

The Treasurer's report having been signed by the Auditor was proposed as being accurate by Maureen Latto and seconded by Nan Shepherd.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2016 -2017**

#### **OBLIGATORY POSITIONS**

Chair, Linda Body, proposed by Ian Nicol and seconded by George Berwick.

**Secretary (vacant)** There were no proposals made during the AGM therefore it was decided that the

position of Secretary be resolved at the next Committee meeting.

Treasurer, Ian Nicol, Proposed by John King and seconded by Linda Body.

#### **OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**Kaye Lynch,** proposed by David Gibson and seconded by Dougie Latto.

**David Gibson,** proposed by Dougie Latto and seconded by John King.

**George Shepherd,** proposed by John King and seconded by Ian Nicol.

**Nan Shepherd,** proposed by David Gibson and seconded by Kaye Lynch.

**George Berwick**, proposed by Dougie Latto and seconded by David Gibson.

**John King,** proposed by Linda Body and seconded by Kaye Lynch.

**Dougie Latto,** proposed by George Berwick and seconded by David Gibson.

**Dave Frew,** proposed by Ian Nicol and seconded by Dougie Latto.

#### Appointment of Cycling UK/Scotland rep.

No proposals were made during the AGM therefore it was decided that this position

be resolved at the next Committee meeting.

#### **Election of Honorary Auditor 2017,**

Beth Paterson, proposed by Morwyn Porter and seconded by Bert Sutherland.

**A.O.C.B.** No notices of motion had been received.

There being no other competent business the 2016 Annual general Meeting closed at 14:40