

CYCLING UK / FIFE & KINROSS CTC
Minutes of the 96th Annual General Meeting
Sat. 3rd November, 2018 Kingskettle Village Hall, Fife

The 96th AGM was opened at 13:05 by the Chairperson, Linda Body, who welcomed the 15 members in attendance from the Fife & Kinross member group and a representative from Cycling UK, Sam Waller, Communications Officer.

Present. There were 16 Cycling UK members present (see above and the attendance signing in sheet)

Apologies. Apologies were received from Ian Nicol, David Gibson, Linda Gibson and Jim Paton.

Minutes of the 2017 AGM:-

Minutes of the 2017 AGM were circulated to those in attendance.

There were no objections to the 2017 AGM minutes.

They were approved as being accurate by George White, seconded by George Budd.

Annual Reports

Chairperson's Report- Linda Body.

The Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and participation in the AGM proceedings.

A plea was made for members to consider volunteering to join the Committee.

It was reported that the Facebook page had recently been updated and renewed. It seemed to be working well as 55 members had registered for it so far.

The Webpage, done through CyclingUK.org, has a lot of information on it such as the Runs List, Committee contact details, upcoming events, route planning, copies of Minutes of previous meetings etc. The Chairperson was happy to receive any recommendations about it and asked that the members have a look at the webpage and to use it as often as possible.

Thanks were given to the Committee members who had offered their time and efforts throughout the year.

Members were also thanked for coming on the organised runs and for participating in the events that had been organised. Any suggestions for future rendezvous venues would be greatly appreciated.

Secretary's Report- George Budd.

The Secretary reported that on his takeover of the post there had been problems with the e-mail address as used by Cycling UK but this has now been resolved.

The main communication with Cycling UK had been to do with general data protection regulations (GDPR)

There had been communications from Cycling UK inquiring about the AGM and had been replied to.

Results of the AGM had to be sent to Cycling UK HQ electronically by 7th December 2108.

Registrations Report-

The Chairperson explained the difficulty that we were currently having in obtaining the registration numbers and member details due to the introduction of GDPR. A brief explanation of GDPR was given and it was hoped that this would be resolved soon.

Runs Committee Report- Linda Body, Kaye Lynch, Nan Shepherd.

There had been a full calendar since last AGM and some changes of location had been incorporated again. Venues were in different areas each week so that the same roads were not being travelled repeatedly.

The Runs List is compiled in November for the following year but unfortunately some venues had closed before the meet date. Thanks were given to the observant members who had contacted the Runs Committee in time for them to amend the venue.

The good attendance in the past year was attributed to the good response from Facebook.

The number of Wednesday meets had been reduced, but not well received by those that attended the Wednesday meets. The Runs Committee would collaborate with regular Wednesday meet attenders to discuss before compiling the next Runs List.

The first 43 Saturday meets had 426 attendances equating to an average of 9.9 per meet.

This was an increase of 80 attending, or 1 person per meet, over last year.

There had been 22 Wednesday meets so far which saw 141 attending, averaging 6.4 per meet. A request was made for assistance in making suggestions for new venues and also to give feedback on venues that were no longer suitable or enjoyed. Members can participate via Facebook and the Webpage. Information would also be appreciated about major events in the Fife & Kinross district such as Galas, Sportifs, Marathons etc. so that venues can be picked to avoid traffic around these events in advance.

Right to Ride Report- George Berwick

It was reported that the Fife Access Forum was reorganising due to Fife Council now only employing one Access Officer. Fife Council, due to having fewer employees, was trying to get the Stakeholders to do more. Four Access Forum meetings per year had been reduced to just two.

The new Newport cycling group are lobbying to improve cycling routes in North East Fife.

There is an increase in local Cycling Groups in the Fife & Kinross area.

In an effort to improve cycling facilities the members were asked to contact their local Councillors about the provisions that were being made.

Hut Report- George Berwick

After a recent visit it was reported that the hut was in good condition.

More members have used the hut this year with most attendances being made in the Spring but none in the Summer months.

Mountain Bothies are being well used so the members were urged to try to get more 'bednights' at our very own hut at Loch Earn. The keys are available from George Berwick or Ian Nicol.

Newsletter Editor's Report- Dougie Latto

Apologies were made by the Editor for there being no newsletter published for some time. This was due initially to health matters, although now partially recovered, he was still not ready to compile a newsletter. It was with regret that the Editor announced that he would no longer be compiling the Newsletter and would be standing down from the post citing his continued discomfort of sitting at a PC for long spells as his main reason, but gave his personal doubts as to the usefulness of a newsletter in the Social Media era as a further cause. Thanks were given to those that had contributed articles and photos to the newsletter over the years without whom Fife Wheels could not have survived for so long and promised to hand over articles that had not yet been published to a new Editor, if one should be appointed in the future.

Welfare Officers Report- Linda Body

The role of the Welfare Officer was explained to the members by the Welfare Officer.

There had been a few significant birthdays over the year in particular John Elder who celebrated his 100th birthday and is continuing to keep well.

Some members had health issues such as back injuries and knee replacements. Some had unfortunately resulted in one of our members having to give up cycling due to having osteoarthritis in both knees.

The Welfare Officer has tried to contact members when they have been unwell but felt that someone who was in a better position to be more aware of older members' illnesses etc. would be better suited to the Welfare Officer's role and stated that she would be happy to relinquish the role in favour of them.

The members were asked that if they knew of any members that were unwell, or unable to cycle, and felt that a visit or call would be appreciated then they should bring it to her attention.

Social Report- George Shepherd

The Annual Lunch was set for 12th January 2019.

As in previous years other venues were checked for their suitability, value for money etc. to try to provide a more central location for members to travel to. None were found that could match the venue that had been used for the Annual Lunch for several years now, the Largo Hotel, Upper Largo, and as such it had been decided to host the Annual Lunch there again in 2019.

The Graeme O'Bree film and licence to show it publicly had been purchased. Unfortunately since purchasing the film Graeme O'Bree was due to give a film show and presentation in Lochgelly so it was decided that a small show and social evening would be held at Dysart Bowling Club at a date still tba.

A 10 pin bowling night had been held recently. 10 attended and requested that more be organised over the winter months.

Treasurers Report- Ian Nicol (due to the Treasurers absence the report was read by the Chairperson)

Our financial year ended 30 September 2018 and closed with a balance of £1850.79.

It has been another quiet year regarding club finances. Our income was £256.84 and our expenditure was £307.97, giving us a slight deficit of £51.13. Income is made up from the flat rate annual subscription of £200.00 which we receive from Cycling UK to help us in running the group, together with the overnight rents received from hire of the Loch Earn club hut and donations received from those attending club meetings/events at Kingskettle Hall. There were no other amounts received and we do not receive interest on our bank account.

Our expenditure this year was mainly derived from the one-of 2 year rental (£60.00) of a Graham Obree DVD for future viewing plus purchase of some items to mark/celebrate, former club treasurer, John Elder's 100th birthday (£22.95) and other costs in connection with the AGM plus end of year audit returns to HQ. Also, a financial contribution (£200.00) was agreed by the committee, on behalf of the group, towards the cost of the new RSPB Loch Leven underpass to improve access for cyclists into Vane Farm Centre from the off-road public path around the loch itself.

Our fixed asset is our club hut and other assets include our projector, a gazebo and club clothing stock of three jerseys for purchase. Domestic rates for the hut continue to be charged by Perth and Kinross at £0.00 (Nil) following a rating revue in early 2018.

I am pleased to report that our finances remain healthy, slightly down on last year: our bank balance is £1,808.67 and petty cash is £42.12, making up the total of £1850.79.

I would also like to thank Beth Paterson, on our collective behalf, for once again approving and certifying the annual accounts.

Lastly, Cycling UK require a formal annual return of financial information regarding each member group and this will now be submitted electronically/online.

Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members 2018 – 2019

Obligatory Positions-

Chair, Linda Body	proposed by George Budd, seconded by Kaye Lynch
Secretary, George Budd	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by Dougie Latto
Treasurer, Ian Nicol	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by George Budd

Other Committee members

Kaye Lynch	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by George Budd
Dougie Latto	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by George Budd
Nan Shepherd	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by George Budd
George Shepherd	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by George Budd
George Berwick	proposed by Linda Body, seconded by George Budd

A.O.C.B

Sam Waller, Cycling UK Communications Officer stated that he would be happy to stay back after the meeting to discuss Volunteer Strategy, the Online Toolkit regarding Mail Lists and GDPR.

There being no other competent business the 2018 Annual General Meeting closed at 14:00