

DUMFRIES CYCLING CLUB

Notes of AGM held in DG ONE on Thursday, 28th October 2010

Present: A. Johnson, M. Macpherson, A. Ure, A. Mair, I. Harkness, D. Niblock, S. McGivern, J. McConnachie, J. Andrew, C. Watson, Gordon and Gill McNeil, A. Creighton, A. McConnachie, N. Henderson, W. McCubbin, C. Little, T. Lockhart, R. McCallay, E. Ingram, N. Pearson, D. Doherty, S. Kennedy, A. Barclay, D. Walden, L.Kerr.

Apologies: G. Johnston, S.Browning, D.Moss, G.Kerr, M. Shire.

Minutes of the Meeting

1- Minutes of the Last Meeting:

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by J. McConnachie and seconded by A. Ure. The Minutes of the 2009 AGM were then approved and accepted as an accurate record.

2- Chairman's Address:

Alastair said this has been a good year for cycling in the region and for our club in particular.

The Girvan 3 day race has relocated to Dumfries as the "Tour Doonhame" there were 120 riders and hopefully will grow in stature and stay in the region.

Bikefest 2010 was held in May 5 riders from the club rode in the town centre criterium race Neil Pearson got a very creditable 2nd.

The Wild Hills Race at Moniaive in April was again very popular , Alastair thanked organiser Dave Moss for all the work he has put into TLI events. Dave is giving up organising all other TLI events but will continue to run the Moniaive race.

The Burns' Solway Sportive organised by Dave Niblock and "his team" was again a great success with increased entries and very positive feedback. The event got a great review in Cycling Weekly.

Alastair offered congratulations to new member young Jack Taylor who won the Dalbeattie Hardrock Challenge in October. More congratulations for Eddie Ingram, Mike Shire and Murray who completed Lands End- John o'Groats.

Alastair thanked Steve for all the work he has done with the website which has become the centre for all communication in the club.

This year the club has an increased membership and not just " middle aged males" we now have some ladies and a few youngsters.

The club has submitted a motion to SC's AGM which if passed would ensure that all club members whether first or second claim will be able to ride in the club time trials.

Scottish Cycling has appointed a Regional Development Coach for the South West , he is Alan Denman. He is trying to set up a Development Committee with representation from all local cycling clubs one of the aims is to set up a race programme of about 30 races of all types across the region. Each club would be expected to hold 3 events and for these supply an organiser and volunteers. We hope to meet with Alan in the next few weeks where he can fully explain his proposals and we can tell him what our club is doing

already. The new committee will of course have to agree to any changes which would affect our programme.

Alastair finished off by asking members to do their bit by joining the committee or volunteering their services in some way in conclusion he thanked this year's committee for all the hard work they have put into meetings, events and races this year.

3- Treasurer's Report:

Murray presented the Annual Accounts (copy attached), he explained that more money had been spent this year but the club had a lot of money in the clothing the club stocked he went on to say that the excess money the club had could be spent on promoting cycling in the south west. The increase in income to the club was in part due to the increased membership which now stood at 85. The accounts were unanimously approved the current balance now standing at £4,611.22

Murray went on to say that after 7 years as club treasurer it was time to step down from the post, he thanked the club members, the committee and event organisers for their help over this period.

Alastair thanked Murray for all his hard work in the post.

4- Race Secretary's Report:

Alex started off by thanking all those who had helped throughout the season in particular Fiona Ure as timekeeper with assistance from Yvonne Thomson and Davy Paterson, also to those members who marshalled when it was their turn.

More riders are taking part in time trials, 50 different riders took part in the 10 TT League an increase of 11 since last season. Alex produced a chart giving a breakdown of riders and venues for the whole season. For next season a review of the hill climb is planned and a complete risk assessment for all courses will take place.

Alex hoped that members appreciated the race information given on the website even if the handicap system may be hard to follow.

5- CTC Affiliation/Third Party Liability Insurance:

Murray said that at present in the club a lot of members have 3rd Party liability insurance with CTC or BC or through their household policy and of course a lot of members have no insurance. Only BC members with silver membership or above will have this insurance, individuals would have to check their own household insurance policies. Murray went on to say that at the last committee meeting the committee thought the CTC option was the best for our club members.

The CTC option is that the club affiliates to the CTC at a cost of £75 and each member pays £12 to obtain 3rd Party liability insurance.

Murray put 2 motions to the meeting

- 1) That 3rd Party insurance was mandatory for all club members.
 - 2) That the club should affiliate to the CTC and that members pay £12 each to obtain 3rd Party insurance.
- Both motions were carried by a large majority.

New membership forms for 2011 will ask members if they have 3rd Party insurance this will apply from January, 2011.

6- Subscription for 2011:

Murray proposed that there should be no change in subscriptions, D. Niblock seconded and this was agreed by the members.

Senior members- £12 Junior members- £6 Family membership- £18

7- Race Manager Proposal:

Steve McGivern pointed out the fact that when taking part in road races DCC riders did not support each other and ride as a team. Steve asked for a volunteer to act as a Race Manager to coordinate events, transport expenses, entry fees etc. The team would be given some financial help putting to use some of the money the club had in reserve. Dave Niblock thought this a good idea and a good progression for the club. Volunteers were asked to contact Steve.

8- Club Policy on Young Persons:

Jim McConnachie issued copies of the draft club policy and talked through some of the key points viz: age group involved, accompanying parents, DCC consent form, parental permission and notes for parents. Any volunteers would have to go through a Disclosure process, this can be done through BC and is free, volunteers would be required to accompany the young person throughout a club ride. Jim invited comments on the Draft Policy which would be finalised at the next committee meeting.

9- Prize Giving / Social Night Out:

Steve has done the organising again, it will be held in the Jewel in the Crown (St. Michael Street) , 7.30pm for 8pm on Friday 26th. Nov, tickets are necessary and will cost £12 they can be purchased from Ian Harkness.

John Sturgeon will be asked if he will present the prizes in his usual style.

10- Election of Committee and Office Bearers 2011:

Chairperson	Alastair Johnson, proposed by Murray Macpherson, seconded by Neil Henderson.
General Secretary	Alan Mair, proposed by Alastair Johnson, seconded by Ian Harkness.
Race Secretary	Alex Ure, proposed by Neil Henderson, seconded by Les Kerr.
Treasurer	John Andrew, proposed by Murray Macpherson, seconded by Dave Niblock.
Welfare Officer	Jim McConnachie, proposed by Alison McConnachie, seconded by Steve McGivern.

Members continuing on the committee are

Dave Moss Dave Niblock Ian Harkness

New committee members elected.

Alison McConnachie, proposed by Dave Niblock, seconded by Gill McNeil.

David Doherty, proposed by Ian Harkness, seconded by John Andrew.

The following members stood down from the committee.

Murray Macpherson and Steve McGivern.

11- Any Other Competent Business:

a) Alastair in his report mentioned local races which would be supported by SC, a query from the floor asked if some of the TLI events that DCC run become SC races how would this affect club members who are not BC members? Alastair answered that all participants will have to be members of BC. Bronze members only have a provisional racing licence and will have to pay an additional day licence fee.

Steve said that we must not lose our events, other clubs must do more.

b) R.McCallay asked for reassurance that members turning up to ride a TT would always be guaranteed a start. Alex said that any member turning up would always be able to ride since for the more popular events the club pays an extra levy to cover the insurance costs for the extra riders.

c) A. Mair informed the members that the AGM of the Ayr & Dumfries CA will be on Oct 31, at the Nithsdale Hotel in Sanquhar DCC members will be welcome.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 8.25pm.