

# CRANLEIGH

## Cycling Club

### MINUTES OF THE THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 7.30pm  
The Band Room, Village Way, Cranleigh

#### Apologies

33 members attended the meeting and apologies were received by the 10 members listed below;

Nick Manning  
Martin Smith  
Fleur Kinally  
Gerry Kinally  
Kerry Bircher  
Mark Egerton  
Alec Mackenzie  
Graham More  
Adam Leech  
Andy Chapman

There were no matters arising from the last AGM

#### Chairman's Annual report

Delivered and circulated at the meeting by the Chairman, Steve Millier. Report attached.

#### Financial Report and Accounts

Delivered and circulated at the meeting by the Treasurer, Chris Harris.  
Accepted by vote from those attending.  
Report attached.

#### Youth Section Report

Simon Jackson gave a report of the progress of the youth section. This will no longer be known as the Cranes and will be rebranded to be more appealing. Incorporated into his report was a video display of young cyclists thoroughly enjoying riding in the Surrey Hills and displaying the mountain bike skills that they have learnt. Over 200 youngsters have enjoyed the coaching sessions. Parents too have congratulated the coaches for their enthusiasm and efforts. Simon detailed the need for more volunteers and, as well as coaches, the need for the following:

- A male child welfare officer
- Someone to help promote the youth section through social and local media.
- A graphic designer to create a new logo for the jersey.
- Club Mark administrators.
- A bike mechanic to teach bike maintenance.

Simon's report was welcomed by all present. The youth section is to continue as an integral part of the club and financed accordingly. This had the approval of those present.

### **Election of Committee**

No more nominees for election to the committee were given on the evening. The committee will consist of those nominated and seconded. Jackie Roberts was elected as Chairman, Stuart Cleevely as Membership Secretary, Paul Tweehuysen as Treasurer, Tricia Cranwell as Secretary, John Child as IT Development and Communications Officer, Simon Jackson as Youth Section Liaison Officer, and Alec Mackenzie and Jeremy Palmer as General Committee Members.

### **Ratification of Amended Constitution**

The committee had a closer look at the constitution this year and noted some areas requiring amendment. Simon Page assisted by Stuart Cleevely, Jackie Roberts and Steve Wells redrafted the constitution and these amendments were accepted by the members present.

### **Any Other Business**

There was only one item in AOB. Several members requested a debate on ride leaders. A hands up poll at the meeting showed that most are in favour of a return to rides having a ride leader.

Methods of implementing a system were discussed but, with no obvious solution to the problem of providing ride leaders, the new committee were left with the following ideas:

- To have a car park starter as outlined in the Group Riding Responsibilities document;
- For groups to elect a leader before the start of a ride;
- To adopt a rota for ride leaders for the social and C2 groups only.
- As part of the development and education of those attending the social and C2 rides, to adopt a "baton" approach: each participant on the ride would take up ride leader responsibilities for a portion of the ride, rotating this to others to improve their awareness of the group around them. This would help them gain more experience and confidence in their group riding skills.

These will be discussed at the next committee meeting now that members' wishes are known.

The meeting concluded at 8.38pm.

In closing the meeting notable achievements by the club and its members were reported:

- 16 members attended the Lea Valley Velodrome for a track session with coaching. Thanks to Julian Paphitis for organising the event.
- 35 members and guests took part in a charity reliability event for Finlay's Fighters.
- Kerry Bircher and Simon Jackson organised a track day at Dunsfold Aerodrome where Simon coached the members in group riding skills and bike handling. This was very well received and will be repeated.
- The club held two first aid courses. Further courses will be arranged in 2016.
- There were five social events including a highly successful Christmas Party.
- The club held its first time trial.
- The club issued new membership cards with photo ID and ICE details.
- Successful spin classes continued in the winter months.

- The club fostered relations with neighbouring clubs. A race league will start with Horsham and Dorking this year.
- The website is almost ready to go live.
- Members have organised additional weekly rides under the club umbrella.
- Most members have taken part in notable and creditable rides during the season wearing club colours.

Paul Tweehuysen thanked Steve Millier for his hard work in setting up and moving the club forward during his tenure as Chairman.

Date of next meeting to be confirmed.

***Jeremy Palmer, Secretary***