

GILLINGHAM & DISTRICT WHEELERS
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES from Thursday 23rd November 2023

LOCATION: North Dorset RFC, Gillingham

Item	Details
1	<p>Chairman's Welcome Geoff Percival opened the meeting at 7.20 pm</p>
2	<p>Apologies were received from: Simon Batchelor, Greg Broadbent, Don Tanner, Simon Carr, Roger Limerick, Edd Hunt (6)</p> <p>The following members attended the AGM: Geoff Percival, James Little, Innes Wright, Peter Humphreys, Mike Smith, Vince Hounsome, Nick Hall, John Phillips, Chris Mullett, Roger Limerick, Colin Tully, Rob Gale, Marlene Little(13)</p> <p>The Club currently has 93 paid up members (as at 23rd November 2023).</p>
3	<p>Chairman's Report: Geoff Percival commenced with comments on the triathlon side of the Club which holds a Monday evening swim session at Riversmeet in Gillingham, winter Sunday training rides and summer run sessions. The Club has a number of exceptional triathletes including Daisy Davies (GBU23 squad), Innes Wright, Vince Hounsome and Mark Jacobs who have all represented GB in age group European and/or World Championships.</p> <p>It has been a difficult Time Trial season with a lot of enforced late course changes and the loss of some of the regular helpers. GP gave thanks to those involved in organising the series. We did see a number of new course records set by Alastair Luxford and Christina Wijek.</p> <p>Two successful road races were held which involve a lot of organisation but are well worth watching. As we enter winter, many members take part in various Zwift events and the Club has teams entered in the ZRL WTRL leagues on a Tuesday evening.</p> <p>The Saturday Club Rides are probably the mainstay of the Club and GP thanked James, Edd and Mike for plotting and posting the routes each week and also those who regularly act as 'road captains'.</p> <p>Two social events were held, the annual Club Dinner (this year's event will be on 16th December) and a Summer BBQ. Thanks to Sally St Leger, Mike S and Nick H for organising.</p> <p>There was another popular and successful trip to Mallorca in the spring organised by Mike S, and another trip is planned for 2024. A group also travelled to the Italian Dolomites and the Stelvio in early July and will be riding from Lake Geneva to Nice in 2024.</p> <p>In 2024 the Club will look to purchase some bike boxes that can be used for members travelling away. There are some club polo shirts in the final design stages and a new challenge – the Winter League, so keep an eye on your in-boxes for more details. A velodrome trip is also on the cards.</p> <p>GP thanked the Committee for their work, noting Edd Hunt who is stepping down, and all those who have put time and effort into organising the many club events and to the volunteers who have then helped to run them. Feedback from all our events has always been positive.</p> <p>Finally Geoff paid tribute to Mary Emerson-Reed who was tragically killed in June whilst riding home from Ashmore, she will be missed but not forgotten.</p> <p>James Little then thanked Geoff for his sterling work as Chairman over the last few years.</p>

4	<p>Treasurer's Report: Innes Wright provided members with a statement of accounts at the meeting. Income for the year has been £7,657 which is lower than 2022, but the fall is accounted for by the lack of circuit races at Henstridge in 2023. Total expenditure has amounted to £7,941 resulting in a small deficit of £283. This is again lower than last year. The bank account balance sits at £7,544.</p> <p>As announced at the 2021 AGM, the Committee plan to continue to use funds to subsidise Club events and other benefits to members.</p>																								
5	<p>Proposed 2024 Membership Fees: The Membership Year runs from 1st January to 31st December. It was unanimously agreed by those attending the AGM that the membership fees and categories for 2024 will be unchanged at:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="321 457 1466 1010"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Definition</th> <th>Cost</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Adult</td> <td>19 years and over on 1st January</td> <td>£20-00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Couples</td> <td>2 x adults at same address, ages 19 and over</td> <td>£38-00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Family</td> <td>Up to 2 adults + any number of children 18 & under (on 1st January), residing at same address</td> <td>£40-00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Students</td> <td>In full time education with proof of studies</td> <td>£10-00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youths</td> <td>18 years or under on 1st January</td> <td>£6-00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Unemployed</td> <td>Unemployed at time of joining (proof required)</td> <td>£11-00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Country Member</td> <td>Adult member living more than 50 miles from the Wheels shop in Gillingham</td> <td>£10-00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Definition	Cost	Adult	19 years and over on 1 st January	£20-00	Couples	2 x adults at same address, ages 19 and over	£38-00	Family	Up to 2 adults + any number of children 18 & under (on 1 st January), residing at same address	£40-00	Students	In full time education with proof of studies	£10-00	Youths	18 years or under on 1 st January	£6-00	Unemployed	Unemployed at time of joining (proof required)	£11-00	Country Member	Adult member living more than 50 miles from the Wheels shop in Gillingham	£10-00
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6	<p>2022 Club Time Trial Entry Fees: Cycling Time Trials (CTT), the governing body for time trials in the UK have so far not announced any increase to their levy (of £3-00 per entrant) in 2024. Those attending the AGM unanimously agreed to maintain the current entry fees for the 2024 Time Trial Series, assuming there is no increase to the CTT levy:</p> <p>GDW Members: £4-00 (whether riding in club kit or not) Non-Members: £5-00 Members aged 16 & Under: £3-50</p>																								
7	<p>Club Constitution Amendments There were no changes to the main Club Constitution.</p>																								
8	<p>Club Constitution Annexe B – Sponsorship Agreement: The only change to the existing Sponsorship Agreement with Wheels of Dorset is changing the date in the Agreement to 2023.</p>																								
9	<p>Club Constitution Annexe C – Club Trophies & Awards: It was agreed to rename the Clubman Trophy the Mary Emerson-Reed Memorial Trophy and it will be posthumously awarded to Mary for 2023.</p> <p>It was also agreed that the non-Aero Time Trial Category be renamed the Road Bike Category and that Cycling Time Trial's definition be adopted:- <i>Awarded to the member with the most TT points having ridden a road bike (as defined by CTT - no TT bars, no disc wheels, minimum of 12 spokes per wheel, no wheels deeper than 90 mm).</i></p>																								

10	<p>Election of Officers for 2023: The following officials were elected by the AGM to serve for 2023:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="358 163 1015 894"> <tr> <td>Chairman</td> <td>Mark Harvey</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secretary</td> <td>James Little</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer</td> <td>Innes Wright</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Membership Secretary</td> <td>Peter Humphreys</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Race Secretary</td> <td>Mike Smith</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Time Trial Secretary</td> <td>Vince Hounsome</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Triathlon Secretary</td> <td>Innes Wright</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Publicity</td> <td>Nick Hall</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Committee Member</td> <td>John Phillips</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Committee Member</td> <td>Geoff Percival</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Committee Member</td> <td>Vacant</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Welfare Officer</td> <td>Debbie Hounsome</td> </tr> </table>	Chairman	Mark Harvey	Secretary	James Little	Treasurer	Innes Wright	Membership Secretary	Peter Humphreys	Race Secretary	Mike Smith	Time Trial Secretary	Vince Hounsome	Triathlon Secretary	Innes Wright	Publicity	Nick Hall	Committee Member	John Phillips	Committee Member	Geoff Percival	Committee Member	Vacant	Welfare Officer	Debbie Hounsome
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11	<p>Any Other Business / Open Forum: ML suggested that in order to improve attendance, the AGM might be a hybrid meeting in future, with the option to join online as well as in person. It was agreed that this should be investigated further. RG asked whether during the winter months the Saturday rides should start later. It was agreed that in December, January and February the start time would be moved to 9.30 am.</p>																								
12	<p>The November 2023 AGM closed at 8.30 pm</p>																								