

Minutes of Fleet Cycling Committee Meeting

Date: 24 January 2018

Venue: Mike's Home

Present: Ed Humphrey (Chair), Graham Elliot (Treasurer), Lisa Chapman (Publicity), Fiona Titcombe (Membership), Mike Mellor (Campaigns), Colin Waters (Secretary)

Apologies for absence - none

Item 1. Actions from previous meetings

From AGM:

All actions completed.

From Committee Meeting 27 September 2017:

All actions completed.

Item 2. Chairman's Report

Ed said he was keen to help committee members with tasks to relieve the load on individuals.

He has visited CUK head office to receive a briefing on the Chair's role but felt it was disappointing as Sarah Merrington, whom he was due to see, had gone to a meeting in London!

Ed was pursuing an initiative with Jim Mercer to introduce shorter, slightly, slower rides once a month on Sundays. The rides would start with a slower ride of 20 mile loop returning to Fleet for coffee then a 20 mile faster loop for regular riders. A pilot would be tried on the first Sunday of each month during May, June and July. Action - Ed

Item 3. Secretary's Report

Colin had completed and submitted the Annual Return to CUK head office.

A Mail Chimp Newsletter had been drafted ready to send covering:

- The Fleet Flyer
- Half Marathon Lead Out
- Vision for Cycling Development in Fleet
- Spring initiative for monthly slower Sunday Rides as well as a faster, short, earlier departing ride
- New Committee

Mike Mellor volunteered to work on the Fleet Cycling stand in the Half Marathon arena to promote the club.

Item 4. Registration Officer's Report (Membership)

Fiona reported that there had been no update from CUK since November, although there is usually a monthly update.

Item 5. Treasurer's Report

Graham reported that there was £436 in the bank account and £55 in the PayPal account.

Colin reported that the transfer of the domain, one year hosting and purchase of an SSL certificate had cost circa £160. Graham said the income from CUK was not enough to cover our annual expenditure and suggested they we needed to organise a fund raising event – such as a BBQ. Action Graham

(Post meeting note – the SSL certificate was included in the cost of hosting so the bill was now circa £72.

Item 6. Ride Secretary's Report

Colin reported on the following: -

- A Google Sheets ride list had been established to communicate more easily with ride leaders so they could select rides to lead and update attendance. It also allowed the Thursday rides and Tuesday/Sunday rides to be integrated to check more easily for concurrent destination duplication.
- Completion of plans for Half Marathon Lead-Out.
- Semaine Federale 5 to 12 August – Epinal in the Vosges Region of France -

7 people had already indicated an intention to attend the Semaine Federale. It was agreed that Colin and Lisa would work up a publicity story of previous attendances to promote the event. It was expected that bookings would open in early February. Action Colin/Lisa

Item 7. Publicity Officer's Report

Lisa said that she was seeking to promote the Fleet Flyer event and the club in various local newspapers and magazines as well using a digital flyer to local cycling clubs. She had contacted Round and About in Farnham as well as Vantage Point and was planning on an article in the Surrey and Hants News and the Fleet News and Mail. Action Lisa

Item 8. Welfare Officer's Report

Graham had nothing to report

Item 9. Fleet Flyer Charity Rides

Topics and actions: -

- "Charities button" – to advertise the rides and seek volunteers (Secretary's comment: not sure what this means or who is doing it).
- The three routes had been planned and were available on the website.
- Graham had registered the event with British Cycling as a non-competitive sportive as the insurance cover for riders and volunteers was better with British Cycling.
- Graham had notified police and Hampshire County Council.
- Risk Assessment – 54 mile and 22 mile routes to be undertaken by Graham and Lisa. (post meeting note – Nigel Hicks had volunteered to risk assess the 87 mile route). There was discussion about seeking advice from Kevin Whibley.
- Volunteers – Ed agreed to talk to Fleet Lions about help at the event. Action - Ed
- Facebook – Fiona suggested removing the out of day event advert and replacing with a new version using a better method of display – Lisa and Fiona to discuss. Fiona said it was also possible to boost the "Post" by paying £8.

Item 10. New Items

Fleet Half Marathon – Colin reported that 6 lead-out riders were needed for the main event – so far Alan Hayward, Saty Mukerjee, Mark & Sara Brett (tandem), Colin Waters, Paul Taylor – one more was required. For the Junior Fun Run – Josie Brett would lead-out this ride but more juniors would be good.

The club had also been offered a stand in the main arena to publicise the club but there was no volunteer to man this – Mike Mellor kindly volunteered to do this.

Friday Group – Colin, Graham and Ed had discussed asking the Friday Group to become an Informal Group of Fleet Cycling. Colin had discussed this with Jack Watts who would consider the suggestion and discuss with Dave Moseley.

Item 11. AOB

Mike said he could not lead the ride on 8th February – Ed volunteered to lead. Action - Colin to change website.

Ed asked for the following events to be added to the Open Events part of the Calendar: -

- Semaine Federale
- Kent Valley
- New Forest
- Fleet 20
- Half Marathon Lead Out
- Dieppe Raid

Action - Colin

Item 12. Date Of Next Meeting

Next meeting – 11th April 2018 – Ed's Home

Colin Waters

Secretary – 29 January 2018

Distribution:

Those present plus:

Andrew Perkins

Jim Mercer

Saty Mukerjee