CHIPPENHAM AND DISTRICT WHEELERS

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

19.00 Monday 11 March 2024

Bowls Pavilion, Chippenham Sports Club, Hardenhuish Park.

MINUTES

1. Procedure

a. Attendees: Sue Andrews, Stewart Smith, Sheni Jiwa, Jerry Tyzack, via Zoom Rich Buckley (Secretary) and Rob Duncumb.
   Apologies from Andy Cook, Paul Winchcombe, Jamie Brosch, Daffyd Howells.
b. February 2024 minutes approved. Now published as PDF on the website.
c. Actions from the previous meeting reviewed.
   i. First aid course booked with currently two vacant spaces. SA to advertise to wider membership.

Actions carried forward:

2310.3 Action, investigate options for a pump/track stand for installation at the sports club. RB/SJ

2401.1 Action, conclude Facebook group discussions offline from the main committee. RB/AC/SJ/PW/JB.

2. Review of membership

Action AC to correspond with AL over Chain Gang organisation and faster group coaching at Castle Combe.

Action AC to reach out with new member AB regarding training.

3. Event retrospective

a. Time trials - Good WTTA Open Hard Riders event run on the same day as the Flapjack. First event for DE so well done to him from the club. Weather meant 14 DNS and some last minute course changes on safety grounds. 33 completed. Results https://www.cyclingtimetrials.org.uk/race-results/26559
b. Nothing significant to report on weekend rides. Fletchers Flapjack was another smash hit due to meticulous organisation from SJ and support from many club members. See separate published report on the event. Congratulations and thanks to SJ again for running this event.

Committee voted in favour of supplementing the generous donations using surplus money generated from the event to create a £500 payment to Doorway.
2025 is the 25th anniversary of the event and we would like to plan something special to mark the occasion. Date is proposed as 16/03/2025 to be confirmed at April meeting.

c. Social events - Good feedback on club dinner including quality of the food and mixture of guests attending. See separate report on the event. Thanks again to SA for putting this all together and making it work so well.
d. Follow-up actions - Flapjack and Club dinner accounts now filed. Thank you's provided to Flapjack village halls and volunteers. Gary Harris thanked too and he has offered to do a similar session again.

4. Future event programme

a. Time trials - Wednesday night TTs to start on 27th March.
b. Leisure rides
    i. Programme through to June has been circulated to committee. Please review and raise observations with approval unless exception.
    We discussed routing some weekend rides in the same direction as planned TTs and considered this to be a good idea.
    When publishing the provisional calendar and on the website, it would be good to indicate this was the consideration.
    The point has been made to ensure there is no conflict on the road and to remove all doubt, routes should avoid the same road / direction / time.
    July challenge rides moved forward 1 week.
    ii. Structured group rides at Castle Combe now advertised on the calendar.

c. Social events
    i. Keeping to third Wednesday of the month, we have talks for March then April.
    ii. Intention to find a pub near the TT and meet there.

d. MTB/Off-road
    i. Programme developed by SJ and proposed to leisure ride sub-committee for review.
    ii. SJ to write to those who had completed the survey to update them and ask for ride leader volunteers.

e. Velodrome
    i. Plan for Autumn now.

5. Strategic matters

a. Sports and Social Club Teen Takeover / Open day discussion.
    i. JT to act as point of contact for the event and coordinator. Thank you.
    ii. Committee members present were to take a look at the dome after the meeting. There were a lot of people using it, including an ongoing hockey match. We had a quick look and then left. Suffice to say one half of the dome was being used for the hockey match,

so you can imagine the allocated quarter area of the dome (equivalent to half a hockey pitch) should be sufficient for Go Ride type activities.

iii. Our time slot in the dome is confirmed as 14:00 -> 16:00 on 28th April.
iv. SS, JT, RB confirmed ability to help out on the day. JT to reach out to PF to help as a qualified Bikeability member.
v. SA to establish what kit we have / need for a bikeability session. Purchase new kit where appropriate. E.g. cones, bean bags, limbo poles, etc.
vi. Plan would be for adults: to have a Watt bike to try, static turbo trainer, rollers and a selection of bikes. For children: run a bikeability type exercise. Would need to advertise to bring own bikes and have a few small ones spare to try.

b. Handbook update - SJ explained progress. Some good editing has been going on. Time for a consolidation and re-read.

c. Membership matters
    i. No progress on facebook groups. Action to carry forward.

d. Treasurer's report.
    i. Money flowing in for Good Friday.
    ii. AD offered bookkeeping assistance. Plan to ask for help consolidating Stripe transactions. Action RB to introduce via email.

7. AOB

a. Chippenham Borough Lands Charity Activity Map survey discussed. Action RB to complete on behalf of club (done).
b. CSSC member survey supporting Dome. Action RB to complete (done).
c. Club kit relocated to ACC office by SA. Many thanks for sorting this.