CHIPPENHAM AND DISTRICT WHEELERS

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

19.00 Monday 10 February 2025

Chippenham Sports Club, Hardenhuish Park.

MINUTES

1. Procedure

a. Attendees: Andy Cook, Sue Andrews, Paul Winchcombe, Stewart Smith, Ange Dunford, Apologies from Rich Buckley, Rob Duncumb.
b. November 2024 minutes approved. To be published as PDF on the website.

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.

2408.1 Action, establish some Velodrome events over the Winter.

2. Event retrospective

a. Time trials:
    i. Indoor racing attracting a core group of 5-6 riders.
    ii. Police Notifications for all open/club TT's submitted and acknowledged.
    iii. Risk assessments completed/updated.
    iv. All events published on the club calendar .
b. Leisure rides:
    i. Mixed level of response to rides. Varied numbers since November, but xmas-eve ride was well attended.
    ii. Some rides have been cancelled due to weather conditions. All decisions made with full backing of the committee.
    iii. Sue Dixon funeral - 11 members rode in club kit to the funeral service.
c. Social events:
    i. Club night Christmas Party, a good turnout of over 40 members.
    ii. 'Review of the Year' held on January club night.
    iii. Awards Evening, well attended with some positive feedback.
    iv. AC and SA now on Leisure rides WhatsApp group which will allow more continuity

of advertising social events etc.

d. Follow-up actions - none.

3. Future event programme

a. Time trials - covered above.
b. Leisure rides
    i. Rides April to June all published.
    ii. Alternative ride to challenge rides over 100k offered.
    iii. SS to check for any interest in off-road riders and for any potential ride leaders.

c. Social events
    i. Two more Wednesday club nights with events planned for both:
        - February 19th- Q and A session on bike maintenance with Gary Harris.
        - March 19th – a presentation by 'The Bike The Body'.

d. Velodrome
    i. No response from Sherston. Suggestion to see if Chippenham Tri interesting in sharing sessions.

4. Treasurer update

a. Spreadsheet of income/expenditure from Oct to Jan shared with committee.
b. Decline in club income in the last quarter noted due to membership renewals aligning with the end of March.
c. Ongoing website costs discussed. January hosting invoice was £240 and expected to be similar to this annually. 2024 was £192 for reference.
d. Concern over lack of framework for which events would contribute to our charity of the year. The committee agreed that donations from the awards evening raffle and donations collected at the Fletchers Flapjack Audax would be given to charity.
    i. Club / open events should aim to make a small profit.
    ii. Event organisers to be more mindful of expenditure including payment processing fees.
e. Breakdown of membership costs highlighted – membership fee per senior of £40.00 with deductions of £2.74 to RHQ/Stripe and £30.00 to the CSSC, leaving only £7.26 revenue to the club per senior member.
f. Consider the value from the CSSC – could we utilise more?
g. Pro-rata renewal fees removed from 17th February. Renewals now will be charged full fee and expire at the end of March 2026.

6. Strategic matters

a. Doorway was chosen as the charity of the year with a suggestion this is up until the end of the financial year.
b. Suggestion to make decision on charity donation values at the end of the financial year when a clearer view of the club's financial position is available.
c. Donations to charity to be from two nominated events; Awards Evening Raffle and specific donations only from the Fletchers Flapjack Audax.

7. AOB

a. PW requested payment to Alan Jennings, the farmer at Queens Field. AD suggested we ask for his bank details to pay electronically. PW to contact.
b. PW requested a change to the criteria for his new Trophy to encourage more riders to take part in Open Events. Change to: 2 x 25mile and 3 x 10mile TT's go qualify.