

# Croston Velo

## AGM

26<sup>TH</sup> March 2018

### Chairman's Statement

I am delighted to again report on another successful year for Croston Velo. A number of key aims have been achieved, namely;

1. Membership growth to 110.
2. Continued growth in the number of women riders
3. Commencement of Junior Section
4. Croston Velo race day
5. Club members racing participation and success.
6. New kit supplier
7. Another successful BBQ and Christmas party.

Added to these successes, the club is recognised as a valuable part of Croston Sports Club and is valued for the contribution it makes both socially and financially. I also believe that we are building a reputation in the wider cycling community for being a successful, friendly and inclusive club. I sincerely hope that we maintain that well-deserved reputation.

As some of you may know I have decided to step down as Chairman. However, I will remain on the Committee in the short term to help Dan and the team during a transition period.

I am extremely proud of what we have achieved in less than four years and I have been delighted to be part of establishing and growing Croston Velo in that time. From an initial conversation with Dave Taylor over a beer in the club to what we have now is remarkable and a credit to all those involved with the club.

I would like to leave having achieved one more target. I have spoken to Rainbow House in Mawdesley about organising a Charity Ride to raise some money for children with neurological conditions. If this could become a regular event in the Croston Velo calendar I will be happy with my legacy. (more on this later)

I am sure Dan will go on to explain his own plans for the future but it is important to say that he will need your help and support. We all know what a driving force he is but he cannot do it alone. I believe Lindsey is willing to step up to Secretary which will be a tremendous addition but with Duncan, Carl and myself all stepping down, the club really needs some new blood to build on the solid platform that is already there. I understand that there is sometimes reluctance due to how much commitment people believe is required but the more people that can get involved the more the load will be spread.

Lastly, thanks again to the Committee for their dedication and to the many members who have provided support to the club over the past four years.

I will hope to see you on a ride in the near future.

Yours Sincerely

