

CROSTON Velo

Croston Velo AGM
2nd November 2021

Minute's to the meeting

Chairman's statement (Dan Styler) Summary

- **Thank you to all committee members** since the last AGM (Andrew Maddran, Carl Jackson, Colin Rockley, David Bigio, David McLennan, John DeCamp, Kerry Rigby, Lindsey Styler and Tim Bryning)
- Talked about the pandemic and how the club had progressed through the pandemic and talked about the changes made to ride structure's through the pandemic riding framework. Emphasised that as we move out of the pandemic we need to ensure we continue to be a welcoming, safe and friendly club for all current and new members.
- Current membership – 119 members (albeit this includes membership rolled over from 2020 as no additional membership was charged due to limited riding during the pandemic.
- 19 members have been members since records began (in 2015).
- Membership until April 2022 is now half price (for the winter) - £10 if anyone wishes to join
- Club remains financially sound (summary later)
- Successful Majorca Trip – 23 members + friends/family went out between last week of Sept and first week of Oct.
- Successful weekly womens rides throughout summer – great to bring in new members – thank you to Nikki Pilkington and Andrea Whitehouse who have ran these this year.
- 2 Successful TT's with the 2020 event seeing the Levens course record broken by Dan Bingham -17:52 (current British hour record holder, his course record has since been broken) and the winning lady, Joss Lowden is now the women's world hour record holder and the junior record was broken by Thomas Day (18:36).
- Launched a new kit design via No Pinz (pink and black) thank you to Andrea Whitehouse for organising this.
- Xmas Party returns – 18th Dec 2021

Priorities

- Ensuring we unite as a club and provide a safe, welcoming and friendly atmosphere for new members of all levels. Addressing elements segmentation which have occurred due to the Pandemic.
- Rider Safety
- Bike Shed and storage – Often full and has been used as overflow storage for the club creating issues. Quality of the lock is poor. Work with the club to find a new solutions.
- Establishing a rhythm for committee meetings now we can meet again F2F
- Request for additional support from volunteers to get involved with the committee and support the club (due to limited time now)

Finances update

- Annual accounts 2020/21 distributed to members for review (available on request to any club member)
- Club remains financially sound but we are considering options with respect to additional storage which may use a large sum of funds.

Election of Committee

- Carl Jackson stepped down as Treasurer
- David McLennan stepped down as Welfare officer
- Kerry Rigby stepped down as a committee member
- Thank you to all of the above for their service to the club
- Andy Quickfall was elected as treasurer
- Emma Pulsford was elected as a committee member
- The position of Welfare officer remains vacant
- The committee would always welcome further support so if you are able to contribute to the overall running of the club please chat to a current committee member about this.

Discussion points (all members)

Winter Routes

- Thanks to Tim Bryning for chairing the discussion
- Opinions sought on the best approach to winter routes with good discussion about potential for a number of routes or consideration to having 'laps'
- These thoughts have been taken away for consideration by Tim who will compile the Winter routes for 2021/22.

Rider Safety

- New membership cards to be carried with emergency contact info on.
- Committee will be publishing safety briefings at timely intervals and as required.
- Emphasis on all riders to review the information available in the risk assessment and riding etiquette and links to this is included in the membership form on the website for new members to review.
- Suggestion to implement a welcome pack for new members covering etiquette, insurance, equipment etc. This is to be considered by the committee for the 2022 membership.
- Discussion about whether 3rd party liability insurance should be mandatory for club membership with a number of points for and against discussed. A vote was held with those present on whether 3rd party liability insurance should be mandatory or highly recommended.
- Highly recommended (22), mandatory (1) – it was agreed that the current approach to 3rd party liability insurance will remain.
- Croston Velo continues to highly recommend all members review their own insurance requirements to ensure they are adequately protected. As a minimum we recommend 3rd party insurance however you may also consider looking at specialist bike insurance to protect your own bike if you feel appropriate.

Xmas Party

- 18th December
- Members voted unanimously that live entertainment alongside a DJ would be preferable
- Members voted unanimously that a buffet instead of a sit down meal would be preferable.
- Ian Riley made a suggestion of a female vocalist which is being followed up to check availability.

Handicapped TT League

- Ian Riley, Chris Wood and Richard Crompton provided a proposal to club members to complete a handicapped TT league. This would mean that anyone could take part and anyone could take the win.
- Would need to take part in 6 events out of 12.
- Would be club TTs held at Rainford (Tuesday) and Southport (Thursdays)
- A trophy will be provided by the Womble Inn (Chris Woods)
- This was supported unanimously and more detail is to follow

Hill Climb

- Suggestion to run a friendly Strava timed hill climb one Saturday in winter.
- Different categories to be considered based on weight or age to allow some good friendly competition
- This was agreed by members unanimously.
- More details to follow