

# Yeovil Cycling Club Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting: *Yeovil CC Committee Meeting*

Location: *Davis Hall, West Camel*

Date: *12 Aug 15*

At: *19:30*

Minutes prepared by: *Mark Plummer*

Next Meeting: *14 Oct 15*

At: *19:30*

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	<i>Garry Mitchener</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Not Present</i>
Chairman:	<i>Nick Armstrong</i>		<i>Present</i>
Committee:	<i>Mark Plummer</i>	<i>General Secretary</i>	<i>Not Present</i>
	<i>Derek Todd</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Dave Lyons</i>	<i>Time Trial Secretary</i>	<i>Present</i>
		<i>Road Race Secretary</i>	<i>Position vacant</i>
	<i>Stuart Wroot</i>	<i>Membership Secretary</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Martin Wills</i>	<i>Runs Secretary/Facebook</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>David Driver</i>	<i>Records Secretary</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>David Notley</i>	<i>Newsletter Editor</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Mark Fisher</i>	<i>Press Secretary/Welfare Officer</i>	<i>Present</i>
	<i>Darren Caines</i>	<i>TVCRA Representative</i>	<i>Not Present</i>
Members:	<i>Simon Beard</i>		
	<i>Dave Pitman</i>		

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- Agenda:
1. *Apologies*
  2. *Chairman's Opening Remarks*
  3. *Actions From Previous Minutes*
  4. *General Secretary Report*
  5. *Treasurer Report*
  6. *Time Trial Secretary Report*
  7. *Road Race Secretary Report*
  8. *Membership Secretary Report*
  9. *Runs Secretary Report*
  10. *Records Secretary Report*
  11. *Newsletter Editor Report*
  12. *TVCRA Representative Report*
  13. *Facebook*
  14. *Welfare Officer Report*
  15. *Press Secretary Report*
  16. *Any Other Business*

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## 1. Apologies

Mark Plummer and Darren Caines sent their apologies.

## 2. Chairman's Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting.

## 3. Actions From Previous Minutes

No matters arising that would not be dealt with under reports

## 4. General Secretary Report

Nothing to report

## 5. Treasurer Report

The Treasurer reported on the following transactions:

<b>Income</b>	<b>£</b>
Membership	100.50
Old Clothing	10.00
New Kit Sales	2033.50
Club TT entries	350.00
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Membership Sec Exp	6.48
Newsletter	76.40
Web Hosting	95.09
Forum Hire – new kit & AGM	75.00
New Kit - balance	2201.82

It was agreed the old clothing would remain as an asset on the books. DN to supply DT with current value/stock. It was also agreed that the Treasurer should report on the profits from the last 5 years for road races and Open Time Trials, so that the membership is aware of how much income they generate, and therefore the subsequent loss if we do not promote in 2016.

## 6. Time Trial Secretary Report

It going well still, just three more evening events scheduled. A volunteer marshal is required for just one of these. DL had obtained a quote for replacing the Results board., £148.00 (£70 for board, £35 for artwork, £18.50 delivery, plus VAT). DN can supply artwork. Await AGM decision before proceeding.

It was reported a rider had missed his start on Tuesday and declined the offer of a late start. He then rode round the course without a number. This was thought to be rather inconsiderate, causing an unnecessary obstacle for the competing riders to pass. As he was not officially part of the event it was no different from any

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other rider being on the road, but never the less if he turns up for any of the other events he will be advised not to do this again. It was also considered a good idea to ask riders not to warm up on the course once the event has started, particularly on the 5 course. A note on the start board for 2016 season.

The Open 25 was cancelled as heavy rain was forecast for the morning of the event. No costs were incurred and all riders should either have been refunded if they entered online, or their cheques will not be cashed.

The results on the website have the title First Claim Club on their heading, this to be amended to just Club (the club shown may not be their first claim club).

The proposed 14 course was discussed. The next step is to produce a Risk Assessment, this will define the number of signs needed for the course as this was a concern. There are a large number of side roads onto the course and a lot of these would need signing, possibly too many to make it viable for an evening event. SB to look into producing and RA, DN to assist if required.

## 7. Road Race Secretary Report

Position Vacant.

If the decision at the AGM is to promote in 2016 and we do not have a RR Sec, we need to explore other options. NA will ask Anna Ellington if she is prepared to run them as a Professional organiser taking on all of the duties and arranging professional volunteers if needed, in addition to the accredited marshals. Terms and conditions to be agreed.

## 8. Membership Secretary Report

Current membership: 122  
Seniors: 115  
U18's: 7

8 new this month. 122 in total, all seniors joining this month. MF advised that he has had a steady flow of enquiries from younger riders, for 8 to 13. Currently we cannot offer a lot to these riders, the older ones could do the club runs. If the younger riders are not accompanied by an adult we need to be very careful who is in charge of the group and how it is run. Tory to be advised that he ought to seek advise, perhaps from CTT, on how to run, structure his Saturday morning rides, even if they are not official YCC events. Facebook was suggested as a way of these younger riders establishing an interest and finding out what is happening that may be of interest to them.

## 9. Runs Secretary Report

The 12<sup>th</sup> July saw four groups set out for West Bay by two different routes. The weather was bad from the start, with light drizzle and windy conditions. The three groups on the longer run made it down to West Bay and although very wet enjoyed a reasonable run. The relaxed ride taking a more direct route met driving rain and thick fog up on Toller Down so called it a day, retreating to the cafe at North Perrott Garden Centre before splitting up and heading home. 32 riders out.

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Another bleak Sunday on the 19<sup>th</sup> July saw the club heading north to Shepton Mallett. Three groups made the trip and things brightened up after a brief shower near Castle Cary. The relaxed ride went by a roundabout route to Haynes Motor Museum Cafe and also got rained on. 38 riders out.

Cheddar Gorge, East Horrington and Cole manor at Bruton were scheduled for Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July but torrential rain stopped play.

Due to large amounts of mud being washed out on to the roads on the south side of the Quantocks, plans to visit Hestercombe House were abandoned on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Instead we did a rerun of the previous weeks destinations, except for the relaxed ride that went ahead with the scheduled ride to North Curry. Resplendant in their new kit, two groups made the trip up Cheddar Gorge and on to the Rocky Mountain Garden Centre Cafe and one group made its way directly there. The owner was very indignant when I arrived with the second Cheddar Gorge group. Some of the earlier arrivals had been seen consuming their own food on her premises and she knew they were something to do with us as we were dressed the same. One unlikely disadvantage of the new kit!  
54 riders out.

I thought I might get 25 members interested in riding Sandra's Hundred but as the proposed date of 9<sup>th</sup> August drew closer more and more people seemed to want to give it a go. It was really encouraging when 60 people turned up at Mudford Rec last Sunday. This included 10 guests that had asked me if they could join us for the day. I have high hopes of recruiting most of them in the near future. Three members just turned up to wish us well before doing their own thing and five members came along for part of the ride before heading home. Boosted by two who joined us on route, 54 riders circumnavigated Somerset and all but one succeeded in attaining their Century. This was especially good for some of the usual relaxed ride group, who rode with the slowest group of the day . Of the fifteen members, only two had ever done the distance before, all finished well and were very pleased with their achievement.. I have been asked if we could include this in the club calendar as an annual event and seek the committee's approval to go ahead with this.

## **10. Records Secretary Report**

Shaun Chris set a new tandem record of 51:53 for a 25.  
Nominations for the Mike Loader Award need to be considered.  
There do not appear to be any members claiming RR trophies this year. Shaun Walsh had submitted an e-mail suggesting we do not need the word senior in the records that are not specifically Junior, Juvenile, Ladies or Vets. It was agreed the word Senior can be removed from all records. DD and DN to action.

## **11. Newsletter Editor Report**

July issue published and circulated. Chairman noted it was another 'good newsletter' especially the piece on the future of the club. DN

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thanked other members for their contributions.

## **12. TVCRA Representative Report**

Not present but NA had spoken to Anna Ellington. The current situation is that there are neither races nor training sessions running. A new OC has made life much more difficult in terms of compliance. A lot of new obstacles and official procedures have proved a too much for the present committee to deal with. We need to ensure are represented at any future meeting of the TVCRA, NA agreed to attend if required.

## **13. Facebook**

This month we have Les Thomas selling a Van Nicholas Zephyr and later a Quintana Roo Time Trial bike. I know he sold the Van Nicholas as it was around at my house for alterations later on. Nick James asking for hints on cycling Lejog. Imogen Rymell looking for a baby trailer for her bike. Someone called Andrew Bartlett selling some Malvern Mad Hatter Sportive entry tickets he can't use. Mark Fisher drumming up companions to do the Milan San Remo Sportive. Various pictures of people in the new kit, climbing Cheddar Gorge and smiling inanely from the back of a group as they speed across Somerset. Nick Hallam asking if any other members were taking part in the Ride London event. Carolene Curson congratulating Mark Fisher on his excellent article in the recent edition of the Peddler. Hannah Whitlock asking about tips for beginners. She has been steered Tory's way! Finally my weekly reminder to those too idle to look at the website. of the club runs and some nice feedback from Sandra's Hundred. There are now 207 Facebook members and we have a new Cover Photo on the Facebook page, showing 20 members in club kit. A record for a Sunday.

## **14. Welfare Officer Report**

MF questioned whether we need to address the lack of facilities for under 18s, especially if we have no road racers should our priorities change to help the younger members?

## **15. Press Secretary Report**

Coverage still sporadic and unreliable. Submitting pictures had not helped. MF commended for his persistence and thanked for his efforts.

## **16. Any Other Business**

New kit a success. Stock is already running low. DN to find out about setting up an online shop with Kalas.

Buffet. MF suggested the Ivel Barbarians RFC HQ, on Dorchester road. Reports the facilities and food are good.MF to obtain cost/dates.

Another film night is to be arranged, probably late September. NA to

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obtain dates from West Camel Village Hall, Free entry, food and drink at cost.

Gillingham and District Wheelers have requested the use of our red flags and yellow flags for their inaugural RR. Agreed, DN to liaise with Mike Smith on collection return.

Chairman stated he was on holiday for the AGM, thought is was Wednesday not Monday, it was agreed he should prepare a statement for the meeting. (post meeting note he has re-arranged his ferry and will now be present).

Meeting closed at 22:00.