## **Minutes**

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What	Ipswich Bicycle Club Committee Meeting				
Why	Monthly Meeting				
When	7:30pm Wednesday 21 March 2018				
Where	Greshams, 312 Tuddenham Rd, Ipswich IP4 3QJ				
Attended	Anne Betts David Boother Wendy Boother (Notes) Steve Grimwood	Mike Kingshott Charlie Latto Les Roper	Mark Salter Marcus Sharpe Will Taylor(Chair) Deborah Wainwright		



Item		Action
1	Apologies Paul Rippon and Sean Marner had sent apologies along with a report.	
2	<ul> <li>Last Minutes         The minutes of the last meeting on 21 Feb 2018 were accepted. </li> <li>Action Points         <ul> <li>The Dove has become the preferred venue for Committee meetings whilst the Club Socials are to stay at Greshams within the corporate membership. The Dove's snug is often booked Wed and Thu so discussed Mon or Tue which is free. WB can make Tue. WT to finalise.</li> <li>WT and MKr are to finalise the Club Socials' demo set of kit. Discussed the Chinese sample and the plans for that moving forward.</li> <li>AB has had difficulty in finding the right course for Welfare officers. May be a course online. Had an email to say we are covered until a suitable course is available as it is BC responsibility to put on renewing courses. Kent or Norfolk seems to be the nearest. Looking at other sports for their generic courses. Awaiting responses from BC and others. To ask Adam Keer. MKi also connected to the Borough Council.</li> </ul> </li> <li>All other action points were completed or updates included in items below.</li> </ul>	WT WT/MKr AB
3	Road Race and Track The two key events in March had to be cancelled due to the bad weather conditions. Two new dates, 22 and 29 July, have been offered by BC to put on replacement events. WT and PR have been considering a different route which would only need 6 marshals for and The Oyster Inn, Butley might be a suitable base. WT to make contact with them and find out more about the route, the implications, the options, compare this to the usual Gosbeck based route.	WT/PR
	Time Trial SM has the dates and MSa will ensure they are published.  Mountain Bike SG reported that Mud Sweat n Gears was not affected by weather and went ahead. Had more than 6 riders representing the Club, though as some others had trouble with the weather and could not get there.  Cyclo X Cyclo X Cyclo X is off-season so now news at the moment.  Social Rides Fillpots is the coffee stop venue for the SSR according to Facebook post by NB.	MSa/SM
4	Coaching No news.	

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5	Membership MKi reported 164 members processed. March minutes of 2017 said exactly the same.	
	A couple of direct payments have apparently been paid into the bank and MKi is waiting for PR to confirm the details. WT said that he and WB can access the details too.	MKi
	The Facebook page will then be updated.	
6	Club Clothing  No other news about club clothing. The next club social is Thu 5 Apr and WT should have kit for members to try on before ordering online.	
7	Finance PR sent the information that Gosbeck Village Hall had refunded the booking fee and there was also a refund from the national bike escort. Only looking at half, about £45, lost in registration fees due to the event being rescheduled. Could be additional loses or costs if the route is changed as the new route will need to be printed.	
8	Secretary Adam Keer expects to hear about the ballot and will have text for WB to issue next week.	WB
	WB has details of some emails to issue in a newsletter to all this weekend. Prudential places via charities still coming through, will remind members to contact after the ballot, but all expect good fundraising with the application.	WB
9	Welfare AB explained the main issues related to getting re-qualified as a Welfare Officer and what the requirements of Club WO are. She suggested the possibly a subcommittee to decide the way forward. Lots of information gained to discuss. After discussion, it was felt that Club Governance documentation should have the policies in place and how we have complied in the past, though it may be prudent to have an annual review as these might be a bit out of date. WB to re-send out links to Dropbox and all committee members should make sure they can see all the documentation they need. May be good to post some/all policies on the Club website for transparency. WB to send out the latest relevant policies to this subcommittee for review: WT, AB, DB, WB, SG, NB and check with AK.	WB WB
	There is a template Welfare Plan available which could be the basis for the review. SG has an event plan that he uses for event he promotes and shows how he complies.	
10	Media MSa said the site was all up to date.  CL was pleased to report his posts are getting interaction and there has been an increase of traffic by 25%, all good feedback.	
11	Social Events & Trophies  MSh reported that the annual dinner went well. Trophies are staying with him or being returned to the Club cabinet at the Transport Museum if they were not collected on the night. Overall, there was £115 profit. Marie Pickess sent a thank you for the evening and the framed photograph of her with her flowers. MSh wanted to record his thanks for the photographer on the night, Emma Grimwood. He confirmed that Josh Bowyer's award sent to parents.  Will now start planning the BBQ. Discussed The Dove facilities and costs as an option. Discussed a nominal entry charge and issuing raffle ticket/s by return so that the small costs of decorations and other incidentals are covered. All can drop in as they wish and pay as they go for drinks and food. No outlay by committee. An away-day football day or out of season date would be best – may be a Saturday afternoon, otherwise a Sunday afternoon is more likely to be available. MSh to take these suggestions forward.	



## 12 **Any Other Business**

a) Ladies' rides

DW wanted to discuss ladies' rides. These usually start at the same time of year as the Green rides, which start in April.

It was noted that SM has started a slow riders ride, too. Could be too many 'events' all on first Saturdays each month. Discussed designating other Saturdays. Discussed arranging some rides on Sundays as well or in addition to attract and prepare non-members to build confidence to join the Club and the Green or Blue rides. Does depend entirely on a group willing to be navigators.

WB to send out a message to all female members, draft text to AB and DW before issue, to ask preferences and ideas and suggestions. The responses will then be collated and sent to AB and DW to organise events based on the responses. Also, CL could use the text to issue a social media message for non-members to see and reach potential new members. This could be followed up with another Club social event showing how to mend a puncture etc. that always help encourage new members.

- b) Shelving for the containers at Trinity Park SG and DW talked about the shelving. They need someone such as Steve de Boltz and a big van to move them, so this is still being arranged. SG wanted to thank DW for finding these shelves and apologised for the delay. SG to contact SdB. WB to email SdB and all members?
- c) Offer of events open to members SG has some work events coming up which could be opened up to Club members. An evening hearing from experts all aspects relating to cycling, focusing on feet and cleats - 30 places – and a trip to the Ridley factory - eight spaces. Agreed this can be advertised to Club members. Details to CL to put out on social media.
- d) Replacement equipment for public events, advertising and promotion MSh put in a request to fully replace and update equipment required to promote the Club at various public events that take place over summer months. This includes a set of Club rollers, banners, flags, gazebo and other incidentals, such as flyers. The current equipment is in disrepair from years of use. It was agreed that the Club could afford to do this and to make sure that commercial grade, good quality items would be more cost effective, professional looking and will last longer. MSh will research and get prices and bring proposal for the Committee to formally agree upon. SG welcomed this decision so that the link to the Club is clearer at his CycloX events.
- e) Ideas for Club Socials next one is Thu 5 Apr at Greshams No members had come forward with ideas or suggestions for these events. After discussion, it was suggested that PR should contact the Lowland Rescue speaker to see if he was willing to do a return visit.
- f) Shirt for display at Maglio Rosso CL was at this popular coffee stop aimed at cyclists and realized our Club shirt is not on display. Agreed to discuss this via WT and MKr.

Meeting ended at 2050. Next one is going to be fixed by WT, aiming for Tue 17 Apr.

The 2018 meetings are at 7:30pm on the third Tuesday monthly at The Dove: 17 Apr, 15 May, 19 Jun, 17 Jul, 14 Aug, 18 Sep, 16 Oct.

Social evenings are at 7:30pm in The Ven Yew Room at Greshams on First Thursdays: 5 Apr, 3 May, 7 Jun, 5 Jul, 2 Aug, 6 Sep, 4 Oct. The AGM is on Thu 1 Nov 2018.

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AB/DW CL MSh

SG/DW **WB** 

CL/SG

MSh/PR

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WT/MKr/CL