

MINUTES OF VCF COMMITTEE MEETING – 19 OCTOBER 2022

Present:

Emma Murphy, Andrew Fletcher, David Brewer, David Drew, Richard Brown, Jane Everton

APOLOGIES: None

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

30.10.22 Halloween ride – RB to organise a social 40 to The Wharf, Hickling

13.11.22 Remembrance ride AF to ask Greg if he's happy to organise a 25 (max) mile ride to end in time for 11am

19.11.22 (Saturday) VCF 10th birthday ride – EM & DD to organise

3.12.22 – Christmas meal – 20 places reserved so far. Post sent to members re menu choices & £20 non-refundable deposits needed by 31.10.22. JE organising.

31.12.22 – New Year's Eve ride - committee to decide nearer the time

COMMUNICATION METHODS/IMPROVED ORGANISATION FOR SUNDAY RIDES

The committee thanked DD for doing a great job of describing the type of ride and communicating the details of forthcoming rides on the FB pages and posting details to members. DD said that he is happy to continue in this role. There will continue to be a split on the 35 and 50 rides, as and when needed and dependent on rider numbers. It would help considerably if members indicated if they planned to ride. AF commented that feedback received back from members had been positive and with new members joining each month, there could be a need to bring back beginners rides in the Spring. It was agreed that during the colder months, it should be at the ride leader's discretion what the start time and point should be. The idea of starting rides from a different venue once a month was also discussed.

ACTIONS AGREED AT PREVIOUS MEETING

DD has agreed to set up a Sunday rides and event calendar and a ride leader rota

GUIDANCE FOR RIDE LEADERS

DD informed the committee previously that the Guidance for Ride Leaders document held on the club website in the Rides Archive section, needed updating. It was agreed to discuss this and make the necessary amendments at the next meeting.

KIT ORDERS

EM informed that members who had ordered kit recently had been advised they are ready to collect and payment was due beforehand please. The committee agreed that EM should go ahead and put in an order for gilets straight away to ensure they arrive by the end of the year. It was agreed that it would be a good idea to promote kit further next Spring. EM asked the committee if a sum up machine could be purchased by the club to aid with members paying for kit at the time of collection, rather than via online banking. RB will investigate the actual annual cost to the club before a decision is made.

BC AFFILIATION RENEWAL, VCF MEMBERSHIP FEE & TT RENEWAL

RB has renewed the club's British Cycling affiliation for 2023, receiving a discounted rate for paying before November.

After discussion, the committee agreed to keep the VCF membership fee at £5 for 2023. JE will post information on renewal later in the year.

RB commented that whether or not the club continues to hold monthly Timed Circuit training next year, it was worth paying the renewal fee of £30 (even if only 9 members are 1st claim members). The committee agreed to this.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- With regret, the committee acknowledged Philippe Cassabois' resignation at the end of August and would like to thank him on behalf of the whole of VCF for his service to the club over the past few years.
- EM informed that Curtis at The Meres Leisure Centre in Grantham had offered winter spinning classes to VCF on a weekday evening between 7.15pm-8pm over 10 weeks for up to 20 members. EM to post up the full details shortly.
- DB advised that the cycle hub in Newark has 2 large and 12 small cycle race signs that the club can have. RB agreed to store them.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7pm Tuesday 10 January 2023 at the Durham Ox, Orston

DATE OF NEXT AGM

7pm Tuesday 14 March 2023 at The Bull Inn, Bottesford.