

Waldron's WMCCL AGM
Sunday 9th February 2014

Venue: Halesowen C&AC Clubroom, Halesowen

Present

David Miller	David Garrett
Michelle Harris	Gordon Siers
Matthew Harris	John Potts
David Mellor	Sally Potts
John Crumpton	Paul Berry
Peter Varian	Keith Evans
Charles Brown	Robin Fox
Lance Ravenhill	Pauline Wright
John Smart	Jerry Ralph
Dean Barnett	Judith Harper
Vic Barnett	Tim Gordon
Mick Davies	Peter Mooney
Martin Eadon	

1/ Apologies
Gary Rowing-Parker
Andy Jones
Kevin Payton
Jayne Cheslin

2/ 2013 AGM minutes
The minutes were reviewed and accepted as an accurate record

3/ Chairman Report (David Miller)

It was felt that the league has continued to evolve with all events promoted to a very high, consistent standard; electronic chip timing has continued to prove very worthwhile; after 3 highly successful seasons the Waldron's sponsorship will come to an end during the summer; after 20 years as Chairman Dave feels its time to hand over to a younger member to move the league on from its current position and he thanked all the committee and members for all the help and support he has been given over this period and particularly over recent months.

4/ Treasurer Report (Gordon Siers)

Following last years shortfall on chip timing we have recovered the shortfall and the league funds stand at a healthy balance of £16417.99. Whilst this is a good increase on last year it should be remembered that the league has no sponsorship deal in place for next season and consequently the league committee have to ensure the league is financially sustainable in future years should we be unsuccessful in attracting new sponsors.

Overall we paid £8188 to BC in levies which is 30% up on last season

5/ League Secretary (David Garrett)
Nothing specific to report

6/ League Co coordinator (Mick Davies)
Some statistical analysis was circulated which showed 4156 rides across 11 league events split 3357 league registered riders and 799 non league registered riders. Fields were relatively consistent across all events with Leicester attracting the lowest field at 312 (this event clashed with Durham National trophy) and Welland Valley the largest field at 435.

7/ League Sponsorship (David Garrett)
Our current 3 year sponsorship deal with Waldron's Solicitors comes to an end in August. Due to recent legislation changes affecting their business model they have advised us that they won't be extending the sponsorship but have thanked us for what has been a mutually beneficial arrangement. They have been very pleased with the media coverage and website traffic and feel that their brand has benefitted from the association with the league. Equally we would not have been able to raise league event standards without the financial support of Waldron's over a 3 year period and we put on record our gratitude in helping to establish the most friendly and successful cyclo cross league in the country.

8/ Election of Officers
The following members were proposed, seconded and voted into the roles:

Chairman	David Mellor
Treasurer	Gordon Siers
Secretary	David Garrett
League Co Coordinator	Mick Davies
Webmaster	Andy Jones
Committee Members	John Potts; Sally Potts; Martin Eadon; Matthew Harris; Peter Mooney; Keith Evans; Gary Rowing-Parker; Peter Varian

9/ Proposals

In total there were 8 proposals lodged prior to the AGM (see Agenda attached)

These were discussed and voted on as follows:

A) – tidying up league rules.

All 4 rule amendments agreed

B) – Change to event day programme

Defeated, 13 against, 5 for

C) – Veterans race duration to be 50 minutes

Defeated, 7 against, 6 for

D) – Claiming of prizes

Agreed. (Referred to committee to explore ways of administering prizes, incorporate with Organisers Mtg)

E) – Change from U10's to U9's category

Withdrawn on the basis that we will introduce an U8's event. This will address concerns raised regarding younger riders/parental assistance conflicting with elder riders.

F) – Women's prizes

This proposal is covered by an existing rule and it was agreed that this should be referred back to the committee as it is a far wider topic.

G) – Proposal for Women’s age categories to be awarded trophies in the overall league standing at the presentation.

Agreed

H) – Adoption of BC on line entry system at events

Agreed that this should be encouraged but not mandatory. KE to present overview at the Organisers Mtg

10/ League Registration 2014

It’s intended to open league registration in July for the coming season on the BC website. Registration fees to remain as last year.

11/ 2014 Season Dates

Currently we have the following draft league programme (and National event dates)

7 th September	Shrewsbury
14 th September	Redditch
21 st September	Stratford
28 th September	Lichfield
5 th October	Halesowen, Baggeridge
12 th October	National Trophy Rd1, Shrewsbury
19 th October	Solihull
26 th October	Welland Valley, Misterton National trophy Rd2, Southampton
2 nd November	Wolverhampton
9 th November	Inter Areas
16 th November	Birmingham/Midland CC National Trophy Rd3, Durham
23 rd November	Top Barn
29 th November	World Cup Milton Keynes
30 th November	National Trophy Rd4, Milton Keynes
7 th December	Midland Champs. Rugby Velo, Mallory Park
14 th December	Newport National Trophy Rd5, Bradford
21 st /28 th December	Rugby Velo, Mallory Park
6 th January	National Trophy Rd6, Derby
11 th /12 th January	National Championship W/E Abergavenny

The above may be subject to change

Kenilworth CC has expressed an interest in running a league event and will assist Rugby Velo at one of the rounds they are promoting with a view to promoting under their own name next season.

12/ Website

In the absence of the current web site manager and in light of issues arising from the current website Andy Jones has volunteered to take on this important role and develop a new website for the league.

13/ Electronic Timing

The committee is always open to considering new companies able to provide the electronic timing. However unless we can find better value for money its likely we will look to contract Blacksheep for the 2014 season.

14/ PA System & Commentator

It was universally agreed that Adrian continues to do an excellent job and that a commentator lifts the overall event presentation. This should continue for next season.

15/ AOB

It was proposed that the league Code of Conduct should be reinforced, both at the first event and ongoing. Additionally it was suggested that acceptance of the code could be mandated as part of the league registration or sign off process. This to be referred back to committee to progress

The subject of "pit etiquette" was raised and again this was referred to the organizers meeting as its integral to good course design and layout.

It was suggested that a date in April would be best for arranging an Organisers Meeting. Date and venue to be advised.

The next committee meeting date - TBA