

National Clarion Cycling Club
National Committee Meeting

By Zoom

Thursday 1st October 2020 20:00 (8pm)

Present: Ian Bullock (Chair), Edward Gilder, Charlie Harvey, Jackie Hickman, Martin Hickman, Edward Ireland.

1] Apologies for absence: Steve Clarke, Andrew Martin, Neil Matheson.

2] Minutes of last meeting: Agreed.

3] Any confidential items in minutes: None

4] Matters arising:

Ian Clarke had rung Ian on a number of points. i) It was difficult to transfer the ownership of the Clarion trademark so he would retain responsibility for it for the time being. Edward I had applied to the IPO to be the new owner but had had no response from them. **Action: Edward I to phone and Charlie to send minutes to Ian Clarke** ii) The trophies had been engraved but not the medals.

7) Charlie had sent another list of documents to the Working Class Memorial Library, who were happy to accept them once they were able to re-open to the public.

11) Charlie had sent off the Clarion response to the consultation on the Highway Code and received an acknowledgement.

AOB) Charlie to contact the Niece of Alex Keys. We would certainly send him a card but was to ask her if a visit to a 90 year old during a pandemic was appropriate. **Action: Charlie**

5] What to do re: Chris Henderson's suggestions for the National Clarion CC's organisation. Ian moved a vote of thanks to Chris for his work and advice to the committee (see appendix 1). **Action: Ian to send email to thank Chris Henderson.** Charlie had circulated a discussion document taking on board some, but not all, of Chris's ideas and also the results of the members survey. It was agreed that the roles of Chair and National Secretary should not be held by the same person. Agreed to accept Ian's suggestion that the Easter Meet organiser be a NC member (see appendix 2).

6] Report on conversation with Andrew Livesey re: Campaigns Officer position. Edward G reported on his phone conversations with Andrew. He is interested in taking over a campaigning role but not in being the National Secretary. Agreed he would be invited to the next committee meeting and that, Edward G should forward Cycling UK's (CUK) campaigning materials to him. As the Clarion is affiliated to CUK, Andrew would be entitled to sign up for their future materials himself.

7] Approaching possible replacements for the National Secretary. Ian Shand, Secretary of N. Cheshire, was suggested as a possible successor to Ian Clarke. Martin would approach him to join our November meeting. **Action Martin.** Martin Perfect could be approached about taking on a committee role. **Action Charlie.** Edward I said that he was happy to send an email to Section Secretaries reminding them that we are still looking for a new National Secretary and ask them to raise it at section committee meetings and in section newsletters. **Action Edward I.** Edward G said he was happy to carry on dealing with the bike@clarioncc.org emails up to Easter but wouldn't want to stand in the way of volunteers. He would do this on the condition that some resolution to the Clarion 1895 issue. The consensus was that we should wait until the new structure was bedded in and approved by the 2021 Annual Conference. Ian would check what the constitutional position was, particularly re: re-admitting expelled members. Ian and Edward G to check the constitution and report back at the next meeting.

8] Meetings with Clarion section committees: The committee felt that the proposed changes would best be publicised through emails to section secretaries, B&S / B&S Extra and social media.

9] Financial report: No report as Andrew had had to give apologies due to a work commitment.

10] Membership fees for 2021. Preliminary discussion. Possible reduction for 2021 due to Covid-19 and fewer activities in 2020: Ian reported back on a phone conversation with Ian Clarke. No 2020 membership cards had gone out since February. Nothing could be done about this now and it would have to wait until renewals and send them out then. We also need to find out from the insurance broker what the premium would be next year. The Treasurer would need to section re: unpaid affiliation fees. The committee felt that the fees should remain unchanged as we were already committed to a fee level agreed at the Annual Conference at York in 2019. The central services provided by the

NC, e.g. insurance and B&S, had continued as normal this year despite Covid-19. Sections were welcome to reduce their fees due the lack of rides and other activities this year.

11] Boots & Spurs / Boots & Spurs Extra: Edward G reported that he was still short of material for the next B&S Extra.

12] bike@clarioncc.org email address. This had been switched from Charlie to Edward G this day.

13] AOB

Easter Meet: Martin and Jackie with help from Jess Beyer were continuing to work on a Warwick meet next year. They were planning to book at a hotel in Lancaster in 2022 and had left messages but there had been no reply at present.

Membership: Edward G asked if we had a welcome pack for new members. Agreed he would discuss this with Martin. It was suggested that membership cards should go out quarterly. He would talk to Ian Clarke re: this.

14] Time and date of next meeting (Likely to be on Zoom): Sunday 1st November at 4pm (16:00) by Zoom.

Appendix to minutes 1

Dear Chris

At the meeting on 1 October the national committee asked me to express its collective appreciation and thanks for your advice and guidance concerning the restructuring of committee roles and operations and the way the Club operates nationally in general. We may not always follow every suggestion you have made but your advice has always been crucial in focussing our attention on the formidable tasks ahead.

On behalf of the committee thank you very much

Ian Bullock (Chair)

Appendix to minutes 2

Suggested new NC structure

President*

Vice President*

Chair

National Secretary

Administrative Secretary

Treasurer

Membership Secretary

Racing Secretary

Section Liaison Officer

Campaigns Officer

Website Manager / Webmaster (whichever title is preferred)

Boots & Spurs Editor*

Merchandising Officer*

Trademarks, Compliance, Insurance and Affiliations Officer*

Easter Meet Organiser*

* Entitled to attend the committee as a full voting member if they wish to but need not attend if they do not.