

National Clarion Cycling Club

National Committee Meeting

By Zoom

Tuesday 31st August 2021 at 20:00 (8pm)

Present: Steve Clarke, Edward Gilder, Charlie Harvey, Edward Ireland, Neil Matheson, Paul Whitehead.

1] Apologies for absence: Steve Clarke (lateness), Andrew Martin.

2] Minutes of last meeting: Agreed

3] Any confidential items in minutes: None

4] Matters arising, not covered elsewhere in the agenda: None

5] Constitution: Agreed that the constitution as amended at the Annual Conference on 12th June would go on the website. Edward Gilder commented on its limitations and would come up with suggestions for grievance procedures. **Action: Neil**

6] Role of the President: The role was discussed. He/she was a full member of the NC though without a specific role and the role was partly what he/she made of it. It included ceremonial duties including presenting awards. It was felt that he/she should be a respected and neutral figure. Various names were discussed and it was agreed that Edward G should approach Neil Shand (North Cheshire) after drafting a brief job description (JD). **Action: Edward G**

7] Job Descriptions (Edward G): The NC considered Edward G's draft JDs. They confirmed that the B&S Editor had discretion to edit articles for length, sense and decency. The Campaigns Officer would be expected to encourage rather than coordinate local campaigning by sections and to lead on any national campaigns, e.g. Highway Code revision. Neil agreed to help with the social media role for the time being. All Edward G's JDs were approved with minor modifications.

8] Co-options to NC: Held over while JDs were revised. Charlie noted that Martin Perfect (London Clarion) had offered to help in some capacity.

9] Presentation of awards for Section of the Year (Tom Groom Trophy), Clubman of the Year, Clubwoman of the Year and Novice of the Year: Edward I and Charlie had gone through the nominations. The winners were: Section of the Year (Tom Groom Trophy): West Lothian, Clubman of the Year: Edward Gilder, Clubwoman of the Year: Joanna Cebrat, Brian Braithwaite (photographic): Nigel Glanford for photo of Salts Mill used on the over of B&S. Steve would get the trophies for Clubman and Clubwoman back from Martin and Jackie Hickman. Action: Steve

10] Recognition of services to NCCC of Ian Clarke: Edward G had looked a variety of engraved tankards. He would visit two local firms to see what they could offer. Ideally, he would like the Clarion badge on the tankard.

11] Membership (Paul): Paul was getting to grips with MemberMojo. There was an issue with access to members contact details in London Clarion. There had been no response to emails from Edward G and Paul. Edward G would assume 110 copies were needed for London members for B&S.

12] Collection of subscriptions (Paul / Andrew): Paul now had access to Membership Mojo. There had been queries about setting up two new sections. Andrew had given apologies so there was no report on collecting subscriptions. Edward G would email Paul re: section numbers and subs owing. Subs should be based on February and September headcounts. **Action: Edward G**

13] Boots & Spurs (Edward G): Was with the printers, pending finalisation of the design and numbers to be printed. The numbers needed were 1588 + London members (approx. 120).

14] Competitions and Events (Steve): The 3 Up at Tuxford and the Circuit Race at Wakefield had taken place in July and August. The next event was the Clarion Hill Climb Championship at Ramsbottom on 9th/10th October. Steve to send details to Edward for B&S Extra. Edward G has spoken with Martin Hickman re: the Easter Meet. It would be based at the Royal Kings Arms at Lancaster. It had a small conference (capacity 30) room and a ballroom (capacity 50). They would reserve 12 bedrooms. It looked as though there was no on site parking. Steve felt that 50 might be tight. He would check on the numbers at other Easter Meets and talk to Martin direct. Lancaster University also had accommodation and catering. **Action: Steve**

15] Broadland Clarion weekend (Edward G): This had been based on the village hall at Limpenhoe. Paul and Charlie had both attended it and reported that the event had been a success with a variety of rides for riders of different abilities. Edward G was hoping to run an event next year on the 2nd weekend in August.

16] Clarion archives (Charlie): Charlie had been up to the Working Class Movement Library (WCML) in Salford, where he had deposited archives mainly from 1930 to 2005. It seems that Marion Lamb, who was National Secretary for most of the 1970s and 1980s, had not kept much material. It was agreed that Charles could deposit materials from 2005 onwards. Edward G noted that we were running short of copies of Fellowship is Life. Steve to send Charlie the memory stick with the more recent records from Ian Clarke's second period as National Secretary. **Action: Charlie/Steve**

17] Website / web hosting (Neil / Edward G): Held over until the next meeting.

18] Merchandise (Edward G): Held over until the next meeting.

19] Any campaigning news (Charlie): Charles and other members of London Clarion had been at a well-attended demonstration to protest at the death of Dr Marta Kraviec on the Holborn gyratory system. She was the fifth cyclist to have been killed there in recent years.

20] AOB:

Nadine Rigby (Bolton Clarion), who had recently written an article for B&S, had been injured in an accident and is in hospital. Edward G had send her a card on behalf of the NC.

Edward G had been offered a photograph of the programme for the 1936 Newark Clarion annual dinner. Edward G would offer it to Tuxford Clarion or, if they do not want it, to Charlie for the archives at the WCML.

21] Time and date of next meeting (on Zoom) : Tuesday 5th October 20:00 (8pm)