

## **National Clarion Cycling Club**

### **National Committee Meeting**

#### **By Zoom**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 20:00 (8pm)**

**Present:** Steve Clarke, Edward Gilder, Charlie Harvey, Edward Ireland, Jonathan Leigh, Clive O'Connell, Neil Shand, Paul Whitehead.

**1] Apologies for absence:** Michael Stainer, Ian Clarke.

**2] Minutes of last meeting:** Agreed with one minor change.

**3] Any confidential items in minutes:** None

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

**5] Easter Meet 2024 at Newark:** Ian C was unable to attend but has sent a detailed draft programme for the event. Steve added that he was seeking CTT approval for a 10 mile TT to the south of Newark. Charlie was happy to assist as a first aider or a marshal at the event. Michael would set up a page on the meet on the website and also for the York Rally.

**6] Correspondence:** Charlie reported on recent emails:

Thanks from Fenland Clarion to the NC for funding for youth development.

News from Wortley Hall

Report of the death of Michael Kennedy (Broadland Clarion)

He had had to delete the MS Clarion NC email group as it had proved difficult to amend or update. Michael would be setting up a new email group. Charlie had circulated a list of NC member's email addresses and asked them to check that he was using the correct addresses.

**7] Summer Meet at York Rally:** Michael and Steve had been unable to attend the last York Rally committee meeting. Bookings were already being taken. 10 Clarion members had already booked. Charlie had asked Michael if it was necessary to book if you are not camping. It isn't and this should be mentioned

in our publicity. Steve outlined his plans for grass track racing on the Saturday afternoon. We will have a stand to publicise the Clarion, either in the trade marquee or trackside. Clarion members will be able to camp together. We would lead some social rides and be included in the official programme. The next rally committee meeting was scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> January.

**8] Recruitment of a new National Secretary and Data Protection/Compliance Officer.** (Standing item). An appeal for volunteers had gone out in B&S and B&S Extra. It was felt that many members' B&S Extras went into junk folders but Michael had advised that there was little we could do about this as it was dependent on the different types of email software used by members.

**9] Insurance for NC members and other officers:** Clive recommended that we ask our brokers for quotes for both the NC only or the NC and section officers.

**Action: Clive** to contact Michael about this.

**10] Membership report:** Paul reported on various issues with memberships. The major one concerned London Clarion, where the names and addresses of London members had not downloaded properly from MemberMojo and so they had not receive their copies of B&S. He would download a list of London members and those who had joined since October and a reprint of extra copies would be ordered from the printers. Current membership was 2,418. **Action: Paul/Edward G**

**11] Treasurer's report:** Since our last meeting, we have received about £700 into our PayPal account, mainly Private Member renewals. Our PayPal account now contained £891-47. Our Barclays account stood at £51, 753-37, of which £40,000 was in a savings account. He had paid for the B&S designer's fees and would be paying for the B&S printing. Edward I had signed the Barclays mandating form and posted it off to Steve, who would then send it to Barclays. **Action: Steve**

**12] Next year's subscriptions:** Covered under items 10 and 11.

**13] IT update:** Michael was not able to attend but had sent out a written note. He had written to all the sections asking for comments of what they would like to see in the new website. Bolton and Tuxford had responded. We were

running short of disc space so he asked those using @clarioncc.org emails to regularly delete spam and then delete it from the junk folder. Jonathan suggested that we buy more disk space. Edward I to contact Michael re: this.

**Action: Edward I.**

**14] Renewal of insurance policy:** Chris would liaise with Michael about this. There was a possibility that that our membership would exceed 2,500 next year and our policy would need to reflect this. **Action: Chris/Michael**

**15] Safeguarding - any update:** Ian H not present. Nothing to report.

**16] Boots & Spurs / Boots & Spurs Extra:** Edward G reported that the latest edition had been well received and he had several offers of articles for the next edition which he hoped to bring out in April, in time for the York Rally.

**17] Competitions and Events:** Steve needed to renew our affiliations to BC, BTT and CUK. He had canvassed opinion re: Track Champs through Facebook. There seemed to be interest so he hoped to organise some sessions at Manchester and Derby, both for serious racers and for those just wanting to have a go. He would be contacting sections to see if any wanted to host any national events as part of their 2024 programme.

**18] Section Liaison:** Neil reported that Bury had asked for a circulation list of other sections. Charlie had recently written to all sections re: the reduction in subs using a list given to him by Edward G. Some of the emails had bounced but eventually he had managed to send one email to each section that hadn't bounced. Charlie was asked to try and produce an authoritative and clearly dated list. **Action: Charlie.** Jonathan suggested financial incentives for sections that updated their contact details promptly.

**19] AOB:**

Edward I said we'd need to discuss any proposed changes to the constitution / rules before our Annual Conference on 25 April.

Jonathan asked on behalf of Dronfield when sections ordered their kit. Many sections seemed to use Ellmore, who preferred a minimum order of five and would send goods direct to the member who ordered them.

**20] Time and date of next meetings:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January (10:00, in person in Birmingham), Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February, March 5<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> (20:00/8pm) on Zoom.