

National Clarion Cycling Club

National Committee Meeting

Monday 20th May 2024 at 19:30 (7.30pm)

On Zoom

Present: Steve Clarke, Edward Gilder, Charlie Harvey, Clive O'Connell, Neil Shand, Michael Stainer, Paul Whitehead.

Abbreviations regularly used: BC: British Cycling, B&S: Boots & Spurs. CTT: Cycling Time Trials, CUK: Cycling UK, DP: Data protection, NC: National Committee, NCCC: National Clarion Cycling Club, SOs: Standing Orders.

In the absence of the Chair, it was agreed that Neil (President) should chair the meeting.

1] Apologies for absence: Ian Hoyle, Edward Ireland, Chris Nicol, Jonathan Leigh.

2] Minutes of last meeting: Agreed.

3] Any confidential items in minutes: None

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

5] Correspondence: Charlie (Admin / Minutes Secretary) reported on correspondence from Wortley Hall re: their next shareholders meeting and from the Clarion House re: a book launch there on June 9th (see item 19 below)

6] Annual Conference:

6.1] NC proposals on the constitution, standing orders, racing rules. The Annual Conference had been adjourned as the planned amendments had not gone out in time and there was some confusion over what was the latest text. Steve (Racing and Events Secretary) would send to Clive (Standing Orders Secretary) the most up to date Word copy of the constitution and SOs that he had. Steve would check to see if Ian Clarke had a more up to date version. It was agreed that the constitution as agreed after the 2023 conference should go out on the

website and an email sent out to sections to keep them up to date. **Action: Steve, Clive, Charlie, Michael.**

7] Recruitment of a new National Secretary (Standing item): Nothing to report.

8] Ironbridge Clarion update: Steve had been in touch with the officers of Ironbridge Clarion. The main issue was the lack of members and hence few on their rides and limited reserves. A possible autumn meeting was discussed. **Action: Steve**

9] Nottingham Clarion: The issue there was the lack of a functioning committee. Many regarded themselves as Clarion members but few were members of the NCCC. Steve would be in contact with them after he had dealt with Ironbridge. **Action: Steve**

10] Summer Meet at York Rally: Steve reported on progress to date. Clarion members were leading two rides and he had had some meet ribbons made. He was in touch with BC re: the grass track racing. He had yet to buy an awning. Edward G (B&S Editor) felt that much of the text we can use was already on the website and would see if we could pull the text from it for the display panels. We could use the club tent if we didn't have one. Steve had a draft email to go out which he needed to send to Michael. Paul (Membership Secretary) would send Michael an up to date list of members. So far 17 had booked camping spaces plus a few who were not camping were coming. **Action Steve, Paul.**

11] Membership report: Paul had not run a membership list since the last meeting but would be doing so for the mailouts re: the York Rally and B&S. Chris reported that London Clarion had 12 new members, of which 10 were members of the NCCC.

12] Treasurer's report: Jonathan (Treasurer) was unable to attend but reported that the balances were Paypal £4753.66, Barclays Community £3886.08 and Barclays Premium ME £50200.74 Total: £58840.48

13] IT update: Michael had little to report. We had renewed our two domains, clarioncc.org and nationalclarion.com at a cost of £76. Tasty Digital had

upgraded their servers. There was an issue with sending email to Gmail addresses.

14] Insurance policy for NC members: Clive would try to get this done by the time of the next meeting. **Action: Clive.**

15] Safeguarding: Ian (Safeguarding Officer) not present.

16] Boots & Spurs / Boots & Spurs Extra: Edward G hopes to have an edition out by the end of June.

17] Competitions and Events: Steve reported on the Circuit Race Champs, organised by North Cheshire. This was a largely youth event but with an adult event attached. Most of the riders came from N Cheshire but there were also riders from Bury, Tuxford and Fenland. He will send a list of future championship events to Michael for the website. He had been helping with the Melton Cycle Classic that had to be cancelled due to flooding but had had the chance to talk to the Mayor of Oakham and the Chair of the County Council and there was a possibility of Oakham being the base for a future Easter Meet.

Action: Steve

18] Section Liaison: Neil had been in contact with Bury and Saddleworth. Steve had been up to West Lothian to race on their new circuit.

19] Pendle Press were doing a book launch at Clarion House on 9th June of a reprint of King of Sports by Peter Ward MBE, who began his cycling career with the Leyland Clarion CC. Charlie had met up with Sherif Dhaimish of the Pendle Press. He's from Lancashire though he now lives in London. He had given him a copy of "Fellowship Is Life", which he hadn't seen before. As he has a publishing background, he kindly offered to assist with encouraging sales of the current edition or the production of any future editions. Charlie had passed on his details to Chris Goode and Ian Bullock.

20] AOB: None

21] Time and date of next meetings: Monday 10th June, Monday 8th July, No meeting in August, Tuesday 3rd September, Tuesday 1st October, Tuesday

12th November, Monday 9th December. All on Zoom at 19:30 (7.30pm). We may want to change some of these dates so the Treasurer can attend.