

National Clarion Cycling Club

National Committee Meeting

Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 19:30 (7.30pm)

On Zoom

Abbreviations regularly used: BC: British Cycling, B&S: Boots & Spurs. CTT: Cycling Time Trials, CUK: Cycling UK, DP: Data protection, ICO: Information Commissioner's Office, LCC: London Cycling Campaign, NC: National Committee, NCCC: National Clarion Cycling Club, SOs: Standing Orders. TT: Time Trial, WCML: Working Class Movement Library.

Present: Steve Clarke (Racing and Events Secretary), Edward Ireland (Chair), Charlie Harvey (Admin/Minutes Secretary), Ian Hoyle (Safeguarding Officer), Jonathan Leigh (Treasurer), Chris Nicol (Data Protection Officer), Neil Shand (President), Michael Stainer (Webmaster/IT Manager).

1] Apologies for absence: Edward Gilder (Boots & Spurs Editor), Paul Whitehead (Membership Secretary)

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: Routine correspondence only. Nothing to report.

6] 2025 Annual Conference (including Standing Orders and NC nominations):

Agreed to circulate Ian Clarke's suggestions for SOs. Michael would assist Charlie with saving PDFs. Clive had resigned as Standing Orders Secretary and would not be standing for this role at the conference. Edward I had spoken to him on the phone to thank him for all his work on the constitution, SOs and insurance. Ian Clarke had nominated himself as SOs Secretary. He was too late for written nominations but could be nominated from the floor at the Annual Conference as no one else had been nominated. Jonathan proposed to leave the 2026 subscriptions and rebates to sections the same as for 2025. Jonathan

advocated having the Annual Conference near the start of the year, when memories of the previous year were fresh.

7] Position on the committee for “committee member” without having a specific role: Edward I had suggested this previously. It was too late for this year’s conference but it could be an easy introduction the work of the committee.

8] Martin Perfect: Charlie had attended Martin’s funeral. It was well attended with several Clarion members present. Four Clarion cyclists escorted the hearse. There were three eulogies. One of them was by Chris Goode, who spoke about the part that cycling and the Clarion had played in Martin’s life.

9] Grant request by North Cheshire Clarion: Neil spoke to this. It would be used to assist North Cheshire’s evening cyclo-cross training. The NC approved this request for £ 572-87.

10] Autumn Meet (Wortley Hall): Steve would be in touch again with Wortley Hall and circulate details to sections. **Action: Steve**

11] Easter Meet 2026: Nothing to report at present. Steve and Ian Clarke needed to contact the Izaak Walton Hotel at Ashbourne. **Action: Steve / Ian Clarke.**

12] York Cycle Rally 2026: Michael reported that the organising committee had written to him and Steve. Following the cancellation of the grass track racing this year, they would take responsibility for events in the central area of the site in the future. It was agreed that we would want a club stand next year and to make the event our Summer Meet. Charlie, Edward G and Barry Raynor were likely to be leading rides. Michael would write to the committee along these lines. **Action: Michael.** They had received and acknowledged our £1,000 donation. We would need to consider arrangements for a meal, possibly off site, for Clarion members nearer the time. Edward I is looking after the pull up banners. We now also have a gazebo which we can use next year. Steve asked about the old display boards. It was agreed to keep them for the time being.

13] Membership report: Paul had given apologies. Nothing to report.

14] Treasurer's report: Jonathan reported that the balance for Barclays and PayPal was £51,970-73.

15] IT update: Michael had nothing to report. Charlie was going to Germany in late September and would only get home the day before conference. He asked if emails sent to bike@clarioncc.org could be forwarded on to someone else as there are usually a number of emails re: the Annual Conference during the week before it meets. Agreed that on the 19th September, Michael would transfer the email address to be forwarded on to Edward I. **Action: Michael.** Charlie would be returning in the evening of the 29th September and could take over dealing with Clarion emails from the 30th. Steven had some information on the hill climb for the website that he would send to Michael. **Action: Steve**

16] Data protection: Chris had had no requests or queries recently. He noted that our policy was to retain personal information for up to six years whereas BC and CTT had "as long as necessary" policies that would cover competitive events in which Clarion members took part. He would email them to seek clarification.

17] Safeguarding: Nothing to report.

18] Boots & Spurs / Boots & Spurs Extra: Edward G had given apologies. He was planning to put out another edition of B&S in November.

19] Competitions and Events: Steve had circulated information on the forthcoming hill climb being organised by Saddleworth Clarion (28th September). He would be encouraging sections to put on events in the coming year.

20] Section Liaison: Edward I would contact Edward G re: the proposal for a meeting for Section Secretaries or other section reps. **Action: Edward I.** Michael would want to know what sections wanted us to do beyond insurance and B&S. Steve could speak on how to run events and Neil could cover organising an Audax.

21] AOB:

Charlie and Neil reported that they had enjoyed the recent Broadland Clarion weekend based on the Limpenhoe Village Hall.

Michael raised the question of the renewal of our insurance policy and reducing the excess. Clive had the expertise on this but he had now left the NC. Steve had a fellow clubman in Fenland Clarion, who worked in insurance, and he would seek his advice. Edward I would contact Clive re: the current position on insurance both for the club and the NC. **Action: Edward I**

22] Time and date of next meetings:

Wednesday October 15th

Thursday November 13th

Both on Zoom at 7.30pm