

Peebles Cycling Club
Minutes of Committee Meeting
Wednesday 30 January 2019
Tontine Hotel, Peebles

Present: Chris Gilfillan (Chair), John Mirosław, Mike Wilcox, Amy Ferry, Kevin Chalmers, Matt Smith, Roy Richardson, Katy Carrick-Anderson, Alan Gray, Iain Grant, Pete Johnson

1. **Apologies:** David Winton and Miranda Balfour
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting** - These were agreed as a true record of the meeting. They need to be signed. **Action: JM**
3. **Matters arising:**
 - 3.1. **Website/FB** – The importance of communication to the functioning of the club was agreed and the place that a website plays in that. AG had circulated to the committee a specification for a web site. It was agreed that this would be put out to the members to see if they could fulfil that or if they had any recommendations of who could fulfil that. **Action: JM**
 - 3.2. **Inventory of club equipment** – We still do not have an up-to-date inventory of all the club equipment. Tom Arnott has put out a list of items he has found out about. Elisa Smith and Bill Brown have volunteered to list all the PCC kit that is in the container at the farm. We need to confirm their progress. **Action: JM**
 - 3.3. **Social Update** – The committee thanked the organisers of the AGM & prize Presentation and the Christmas meal. The AGM & Prize Presentation were organised at short notice and there were some aspects which were felt could be improved such as involving the younger members.
A review of financial governance highlighted that members should not put themselves in a position where they benefit from PCC expenditure without proper approval.
 - 3.4. **Request for Track DSU funding** – Lucy Grant has completed her Track DSU coach training. Lucy has offered to run two track coaching training sessions at the Glasgow Velodrome for PCC members (children and adults). Track time is difficult to get and we may only get short notice of when she has arranged the sessions. Preference will be given to riders with no track experience. **Action: JM**
4. **Chairman's report** – The year has started well with good results already for PCC riders. The part played by the club and helpers was recognised. Communication is seen as a key to utilising the skills that we have in the club. The face to face contact is also very valuable to help improve members to work together and enjoy their cycling.
5. **Treasurer's Report** – MW had circulated the auditor's report giving a top level view of the club's finances. A more granular view is available if we need more details of any aspect. It was noted that we currently have 127 members for 2019 (plus 10 honorary members). It was agreed that an additional person to MW was needed to help manage the membership system. JM agreed to do this.
6. **Welfare officer report** – Amy Ferry was welcomed as Assistant Welfare Officer. There was no report from DW.
7. **Head coach report** – Matt Smith was welcomed as new Head Coach and made the case to SC for 5 PCC riders to be included in the "Scottish Youth Tour of Scotland" race. Elena and Christina McGoram were selected for our region. There are "regional composite" teams and some of our other riders may be selected for them.
8. **Tour of Tweeddale** – A report was given to us by David Waterson:- "Not much to report at this stage, we do have a date set, Sunday 25th August, we usually have monthlyish meetings between now and then, we will go live on entry Central in April and send out mailchimp mail shots every month to remind people and encourage riders to sign up. We will also update the web site page and post on both our Facebook groups.
Bob Soutter is the glue that holds the team together and takes us through a tried and tested

monthly planner of things to do and when to do them. The core team consists Bob, Ewan Gowrie, Colin Stemple, Kenny Davidson and myself. Alison Caw is our timing guru."

9. **Peebles CC Road Race** – AG is arranging this and it will be on 20th April. The recent changes to the level of medical support at British Cycling events were discussed and the implications on our event. The most significant change for us is that there needs to be a "First Responder". AG will continue in making the necessary arrangements and call on the clubs support as required. **Action: AG**
10. **West Lothian Cycle Circuit.** – A request has been received for a donation of £2000 towards the establishment of an off road cycling circuit. Currently they have ½ the necessary funding and will commence work in April. It was recognised that this circuit will be closer to us than Lochgelly circuit. A presentation by the organisers to the club is to be requested. **Action: JM**
11. **Race Secretary's Report** - KC will be publishing a calendar of TT events in February. It will consist of events on the Stobo, Dreva, Leadburn, Mini Meldons and Shiplaw courses. **Action: KC**
This will be circulated to neighbouring clubs so that their CTT/BC affiliated members can ride our events. The eligibility of BC and CTT members to ride our events needs to be ascertained. **Action: JM**
It was agreed that some events would be aimed at attracting new riders. **Action: KC**
12. **Communication and Publicity** – we need to manage the communication within and outwith the club. Currently we have the web site, Peeblesshire News, closed Facebook group and open Facebook page. We should encourage everyone to put items in to those groups but also to let others know so that the other medias can also carry those items. The open Facebook page has 500+ followers. If we could convert a small fraction into members that would be great. **Action: All**
13. **Volunteers event** – to recognise the effort put in by the many volunteers who make the club what it is, it was suggested that there is a celebration towards the end of the season. This could be done by having a social ride followed by a social events. Ideas from all please. **Action: All**
14. **Lochgelly circuit hire** – The circuit is available to hire, £500 full day and sole use of facility, pro rata for part days and sub-sections of the circuit. The committee were not sure if the club would have enough interest to warrant such an outlay. The possibility of integrating with other clubs who have hired the facility should be investigated. **Action: MS**
15. **AOB** – A request for funding from Roy Richardson. "Following on from the success of 2018, myself and Pete would again like to take a group of PCC u16s through the 3 Tweedlove Enduros. As in 2018, we would like PCC to part-fund (50%) the entry fee for the U16s. Tweedlove have agreed to fund the leader's places. The cost to PCC would be £69 in total per child for the 3 events. We anticipate up to 8 kids taking up the opportunity for each event, making a total budget of up to £552." This was agreed and the high profile of the event was noted. The need to ensure that all riders are aware that the club can offer such support was made.
16. **Date of next meeting** 13th March, Tontine Hotel, 7:00 for 7:15 start.

