

Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2019

Apologies: Martin Jackson, Catherine and Sam Sagar, Ben Butterworth, Nick Bayman, Caroline Sandiford

In Attendance: Chris Chew, Steve Collinson, Barry Sanderson, Glen Gosling, Alex Sykes, David Broderick, David Tattersall, Mark Tattersall, Robert O'Connor

Minutes of 2018 meeting were read/circulated and approved as a true record of the meeting

Proposer: Steve Collinson

Secunder: Chris Chew

Matters Arising:

None

Officers Reports

Chairman / Treasurer reported that the club was in a stable financial situation with £10068.84 in its current account. There was also £1269.67 in a PayPal account which would be transferred to the current account once some paperwork was completed.

The annual Presentation Evening had cost the club £730 for evening including £100 for the room. £695.04 had been spent on trophies making a total of £1425.04. Income on the night amounted to £218.15

Vice-Chairman reported that, overall, the trials run well but that the Darwen 100 is difficult to organise and staff. There was some discussion of this event and the general feeling was that, without support, it may not take place.

The Secretary thanked the retiring Chairman and Vice-Chairman for their contributions to the club over the past years. The Secretary also noted that the club had put on 14 trials through the year which had attracted 777 entries to date. There was some discussion of the two 'named' trials. These had been largely successful in attracting good entries although the Ann Isherwood had suffered due to bad weather. It was felt that venues should be selected and agreed in good time enabling good publicity to be organised. The contribution of Caroline and Martin Sandiford was appreciated in taking over a large part of the organisation and planning of Jim Sandiford Memorial Trial.

Officials for 2020

Chairman – vacant. Martin Jackson had sent a message offering to help out and it was agreed that he would be the ideal candidate. AS would contact MJ

Treasurer – Steve Collinson – would continue to be an account holder and would oversee financial matters.

Publicity – Barry Sanderson would continue to arrange publicity through Trials Central

Secretary – Alex Sykes

Membership Secretary – Catherine Sagar had recently received a promotion at work and, at this stage, was not certain about her ability to continue in this role.

Observer Organiser – Chris Chew

David and Mark Tattersall offered to look after flags and assist with section plotting. David Broderick and Robert O'Connor also offered their support in plotting.

Fees for 2020

Membership fees would continue at £6 if paid through the ACU and £5 if paid at an event. Land use fees would be targeted at £100 for a Saturday or Evening trial with £150 for a Sunday event.

Currently, the club was attracting sufficient entries to maintain entry fees at their current level of £15 for adults and £10 for youth riders. This would be reviewed as and when necessary in the light of insurance and other fees etc.

Planning teams

Novice/Beginners series – AS, CC, DB, R O'C, PM

Evening Series – BB, JB

Club Championships – CC, AS

Any Other Business

None.

The meeting closed at 9pm and was followed by a brief general meeting.

General Meeting notes

December trial - GG, CC, AS would invite Andy Cripps and sons to assist with this.

R O'C, DB, MT and DT offered their assistance with setting out – and it was agreed to use this trial as an introduction.

Presentation Evening – there was some discussion regarding this with various options considered. There was little interest from those present in taking over the organisation and it was hoped that someone from the membership would offer their help.

Observer sheets – AS would again try and contact Vic Madeley as a source of 'bagged' observer sheets.