

**PRESENT:** Peter Barnes      Darryl Nolan      Mavis Ross  
Peter Bond      John Perrin      Ian Ross  
Janet Gregory      Andy Regan      David Trippier  
Terry Hodges      Mike Roberts      Mike Wigley      (12 CTC members)

- 1) ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE MEETING:** Chairman Ian Ross was asked to chair the meeting (proposed Mike Wigley, seconded Peter Bond, accepted unanimously).
- 2) MINUTE'S SILENCE:** in remembrance of those members deceased during previous 12 months. We specifically mentioned John Radford of Huddersfield CTC and CTC Council who died after receiving horrendous injuries in a road rage incident.
- 3) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**  
Dave Collins      Eileen Green      Tim Hughes  
Kathleen Collins      Lawrie Green      Denise Hughes
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM:** the minutes should have said that the accounts were for 2013-14, not 2013/13, but were otherwise accepted as a true and accurate record of the previous AGM proceedings (proposed Peter Bond, seconded Ian Ross, accepted unanimously).
- 5) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:** no matters arising
- 6) REPORTS FROM OFFICERS:**
  - 6a) Secretary (Mike Wigley):** Another good year of getting people on bikes. I registered a considerable number of Rochdale CTC members as Ride Leaders, which gives them the suitable liability insurance from CTC.  
Bury CTC will be reporting on their sportive rides in memory of Charlie Westlake and Walter Pilkington, Oldham & Tameside CTC of  
Peak Audax CTC will tell us about their events, attracting more riders than ever as people attempted to qualify for PBP, or just keep their personal challenges going, so as completing the RRTY award  
Rochdale CTC  
The Beard Cup attracted a good entry, and the move to Woollyknit Café as race HQ seemed to work well for both the Organisation and the Café proprietors.
  - 6b) Treasurer (Dave Trippier):** accounts had yet to be audited but these will be displayed on the website in due course.
  - 6c) Membership Registration Officer (Mike Wigley):** we have 1552 members listed in our postcode areas up from 1465 last year. I sent out 971 to emails to all CTC Members in the Manchester & District CTC area for whom we have email addresses, inviting them to this AGM (35 bounced).

- 6d) Website Administrator (Mike Wigley):** nothing to report
- 6e) Peak Audax CTC (Mike Wigley):** see attached report
- 6f) Bury CTC (Steve Willetts):** see attached report
- 6g) West Manchester (Ian Ross):** see attached report
- 6h) Oldham&Tameside:** no report. David Trippier mentioned that he had seen Lawrie who was in hospital with gall stones problems on top of heart condition for which he was already taking Warfarin. We wished him well, and a get-well card was signed by all present which the Secretary would deliver next week.
- 6i) Rochdale(DavidTrippier):** see attached report

- 8) ELECTION OF HONORARY OFFICIALS:** the following officers were willing to stand again for a further 12 months, and were elected *en bloc* (proposed Andy Regan, seconded Denise Hughes, accepted unanimously).

**President:** Laurie Green

**Vice President:** Ian Ross

**Chair:** Ian Ross

**Secretary:** Mike Wigley

**Treasurer:** David Trippier

**Membership Registration Officer:** Mike Wigley

**Welfare Officer:** Laurie Green

**Auditor:** Andy Scholfield

**Peak Audax Secretary:** Mike Wigley

**Website Adminstrator:** Mike Wigley

- 9) SUPPORT GRANT:** All formal CTC Member Groups are entitled to a grant of £200 to support the basic administrative costs of running a group. This should be sufficient for our needs and the meeting decided that we should apply.

**10) FUTURE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:**

Charlie Westlake and Walter Pilkington rides will be run by Bury CTC on Sunday .... March 2016.

The Beard Cup is to be run on Sunday ... September 2016 by Rochdale CTC

Peak Audax will put on a full calendar of events during 2016; these will be listed in Cycle magazine, the CTC Tourist Competition list of events, on [www.PeakAudax.co.uk](http://www.PeakAudax.co.uk) and [www.ManchesterCTC.co.uk](http://www.ManchesterCTC.co.uk).

- 11) DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday in March at Welcome Inn (provisional-see [www.ManchesterCTC.co.uk](http://www.ManchesterCTC.co.uk) for confirmation)

- 12) ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** Nothing raised

Meeting closed at 15:55



## **Appendix A: Peak Audax Report 2015**

We've seen good numbers on our rides this year

Our Cheadle rides are running to full capacity, and we have to limit numbers (on a first entered basis) if we are not to hit the fire limits for the hall used as a HQ. We also stretch facilities at Eureka café.

The February rides were affected by bad weather, with icy roads encountered in the Alsager area. Tim and Denise will stand down after next February, so we'll want someone to take over the

Newport and Radway rides which we've run over the last 15 years in this spot on the calendar.

Our Winsford rides didn't attract high numbers but they didn't fall on a good date, so there are lessons there for future editions.

The Marple rides all attract good numbers, with a choice of ride for the Easter dates. We also had a Don Black memorial ride from Stalybridge which proved to be a challenging route into the Peak District.

This was PBP year so the SR qualifiers all attracted record numbers, 57 on the Plains 300, 72 on the Llanfair 400 and 83 on the Pair of Kirtons.

We will be running the National 400 on the weekend of 30th July 2016, starting from Biggin near Hartington, going to Upton Magna, Llangollen and back, and we'll be looking to attract lots of riders and helpers. The entry fee for the event is £39 which will include food, drink and basic sleeping facilities during the ride, and we're taking steps to be able to handle the funds involved, including opening a bank account dedicated to the event.

## **Appendix B: Bury Report 2015**

We continue to have clubruns every Sunday throughout the year and some of our members also take part in informal midweek rides on Wednesdays.

The Charlie Westlake/ Walter Pilkington Sportive rides were well attended again this year with 100 riders turning out and the proceeds, £727, were divided equally between Bury Hospice and Cancer Research UK.

There have been club weekends away including the Isle of Mull and Arnside Youth Hostel.

Our members have taken part in AUK events throughout the year and a few took part in Paris-Brest-Paris in August with Mike Tattersall completing in 74hrs 16m 05s a big improvement on his time in 2011.

## **Appendix C: West Manchester Report 2015**

This year we have had a full programme of Sunday runs which included reliability rides over 50km, 50, 75, 100 and 150 miles, and various fun events in the form of freewheel, hare & hounds and speed judging competitions. All these count towards a season long Best All Rounder Trophy which will be presented, along with a record number of medals and certificates, at our annual dinner in December.

The group also spent a lot of time trying to find the sun with members riding in Mongolia, Croatia, Northern Spain, the Balearics, and Lanzarote, as well as touring in the UK.

Although we don't get many members on the club runs, the reliability rides, especially the newly introduced 50km in 2½ hours, attracted so many riders that we had to split into several groups in the interest of safety. Let's hope this trend continues into the future.

## **Appendix D: Rochdale Report 2015**

The Club has enjoyed an enjoyable and successful 2015. A key message we continue to hear is that the Club remains a friendly supportive club open to all who wish to simply enjoy their cycling in whatever form it takes. There have been many highlights but here is a brief summary;

- Club Run attendances continue at a good level with approximately 30 riders taking part on Sundays and 6-10 riders taking part in Saturday Beginners Rides
- The annual hostel weekend was popular with this year's trip to York happening in a couple of weeks
- Club Tour to the French Pyrenees attracted a record 33 people to tackle the classic Tour de France cols
- BAR competition is thriving with large numbers on the 50 and 100 mile rides
- Excellent E Newsletter ( La Gazzetta) published every month
- Club TT Records broken at 10m, 25m, 50m and 100m during the year
- Beard Cup win for second year running
- Social functions well attended with sell out 150 people at the Annual Dinner

### **Health & Safety:**

In 2015 we have had fewer accidents, which is a positive step forward.

We continue with safety talks all the time, to promote a safety culture.

Several Members are in the process of applying for DBS Certificates in order we can comply with CTC and BC safeguarding policies.

### **Club Membership:**

Membership has continued to rise steadily throughout 2015.

ELRC membership has risen to approximately 130 in last 12 months, which is backed up by CTC or BC membership

The membership has increased across all sectors, with the ladies Group in particular expanding at a steady pace,

The new members vary from individuals wishing to race seriously in time trial trials and road races, to those who are just learning to ride a bike.

### **The Junior Riders:**

A further 10 juvenile riders have joined in 2015, aged 12 to 15, which is fantastic

We plan to provide structured training courses through the Winter to enthuse them and prepare them for regular riding in whatever form they choose

### **The Ladies Group:**

The Ladies Group continued to grow in 2015. The Group, is now lead by Georgina Cape who is organising various ladies only activities and rides, just for the ladies.

### **Club Committee:**

The current Committee for 2015/6 is as follows;

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|---------------------------|-----------------|
| • President               | John Howard     |
| • Club Secretary          | David Trippier  |
| • Treasurer               | Mark Riley      |
| • East Lancs RC Secretary | Andrew Regan    |
| • Membership              | Christine White |

- Web Site & E Newsletter            Jon Preston
- Best All Rounder Secretary        Andy Schofield
- Runs Secretary                        Pete Matthew
- Go Ride Representative            Shaun Leonard
- Ladies Representative              Georgina Cape
- Social Secretary                      Ceara Law
- Welfare Officer                        Heather Preston
- Juniors Representatives            George Preston & Alex Travis
- Kit Secretary                          Jason Codling
- Committee Members                Dave Ireland & Andy Bateson

Since the last AGM there have been a number of adjustments to the Committee as follows;

- Heather Preston joined the Committee as Welfare Officer
- Christine White took up duties as Membership Secretary
- Mark Riley has become Treasurer
- Georgina Cape is now our Ladies Representative
- Andy Schofield is now BAR secretary in place of Pete Matthew who has become Runs Secretary
- Shaun Leonard is to become Club Go Ride Representative

A big thank you to all those Committee Members who have stepped down this year. Their contribution has been fantastic and we are very grateful for their support.

### **Club Runs:**

#### **The Runs List/Programme:**

The whole Club Calendar moved on to Google in 2015. This included all Club Runs, plus local TT's, Road Races, Sportivs and other key events.

After an initial hiccup which resulted in members being bombarded by a vast number of emails, the calendar was rationalised and it has worked very in keeping members advised of forthcoming weekend rides.

#### **Weekend Club Runs:**

We have short, medium and long Rides planned for every Sunday and a Saturday Beginners Ride.

The Long Rides have been non-existent, but the Short and Medium Rides attracted a n average of 20-30 riders throughout the Summer

As a trial we started all Rides in the Summer at 8:30am instead of 9:30am. However, this change had no impact on the numbers taking part.

Finally, Winter is here and Mudguards and Lights are mandatory from the beginning of November for the forthcoming winter club rides, so get geared up.

### **Best All Rounder Competition:**

The CTC BAR competition has been held again and all the competition rides have been well attended

The only Ride which did not take part was the 250m in 24 hrs

The competition finished last weekend with the hill climb, freewheel and slow bike.

Congratulations to the winners are;

- 1) Mens'-                      Pete Matthew

- 2) Ladies            Caroline Travis
- 3) Under 16's      Lawrence Fairclough

### **Youth Hostel Weekends:**

A Hostel weekend is planned to York in two weeks' time and has currently got 20 members signed up to take part.

### **Beard Cup Hill Climb:**

The Rochdale Group organised the Beard Cup Hill Climb in September, which thankfully passed off successfully. (*Apart from the loss incurred, which Ian Ross never did !*)

East Lancs RC won the Beard Cup for the second year running and in addition, Georgina Cape won the Ladies Cup, Noah Codling won the Under 16 Shield and Nigel Suter won the Tourist competitions.

### **Club Tours:**

There was a Club Tour to the French Pyrenees at the end of July. This was attended by 33 people of which 22 were riders. It was very successful and more are planned for 2016. The current ideas being planned are;

- Provence in France - July
- Andalusia, Spain – June
- Majorca, Spain - March

### **GENERAL:**

#### **Thursday Night Club Meetings:**

Club Meetings continue to be successful although numbers attending have dipped a little.

We plan to arrange more activities and training sessions to generate more interest

#### **Web Site;**

The web site has been refreshed at the beginning of 2015 and has been a major success in advertising the Club and it regularly receives viewings in excess of 200 per month.

#### **Club Newsletter - La Gazzetta:**

The Club publishes an excellent monthly E-Newsletter, which summarises the Club's activities and keeps members informed of what's happened and what is planned.

However, its continued success is dependent upon Members sending articles and information to Jon, so if you have anything of interest to report, please send to Jon

#### **Twitter & Facebook:**

The Club is active on social media sites Twitter and Facebook.

The Club Forum was discontinued and there is now a "Closed Group" page on Facebook for Members to use.

#### **Social Events:**

We have had the following functions in 2015;

- Summer BBQ at the Puckersley Inn
- Indoor Go Kart evening

Planned activities include

- Riders Dinner, coming up 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015
- Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony coming up on the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2016

If anyone has suggestions for future social events, please advise the Social Sec

### **Go Ride**

In 2014 the East Lancs qualified as Go Ride Club under the British Cycling scheme to develop under 18yr old riders.

After a slow start we are now training members as Level 2 BC Coaches and have started coaching our younger riders.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The Club finances are in good order with the Club currently able to meet its commitments.

Details covered separately.

2016 looks like being another great year for the Club, and we hope to have a safe, enjoyable and competitive year of cycling.