

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Southport Cycling Club
Held on Monday 14th December 2011 at the Club Room, Victoria Park**

The meeting opened at 7.05 pm with Allan Taylor in the chair and 37 people present.

Before the main meeting started everyone stood for a minutes silence to remember the three members that had died this year – Paul Mayor, Norman Mossdrop and Gordon Shadlock.

Apologies for absence

Colin Baldwin, Steve Ginty, Gill Taylor, Richard Carey, Ralph Critchley

Minutes of the 2010 AGM were read by Secretary Ken Beck and approved as an accurate record of the events.

Points arising:

Ceiling in Club

Ken now had three prices for doing the work and the cost was likely to be in the region of £2,500. It was hoped that the work could be done in March when the roof was empty.

Reports:

Secretary`s Report

Ken reported that the number of members was 161, which was 25 down on last year.

He reported that the Club Dinner had been excellent and a vote of thanks was given to Margaret for all her hard work. The Bill Bradley ride had also been a great success with more people than ever doing the ride.

He made a comment that on some Club Rides people seemed to drop off the back off the group without telling anyone they were going, which caused confusion.

Time Trial Report

A total of 727 entrants for the various events through the year, which was a significant increase over 522 in 2010. The highest number of entrants was 50 for the 10 on 2nd June with the lowest being recorded on 11th August at just 18.

Road Racing Report

A good turnout at races and some of the younger members putting in good performances at the Litherland Track. Nationally Harry Hunter did well.

Track Racing Report

Only two of our members rode – Andy Grice and Jonathan Taylor but it was hoped that more would ride in 2012. Next year the youth members would find it hard moving up to the next level but there was a good support network to help them.

Audax Report.

As Steve Ginty was not present, the report was read by Peter Gawthorne.
A successful year attaining 7th place in the tables out of 227, and two places up from last year. There is a full report on the website.

Treasurers Report

Accounts had been circulated before the meeting along with explanatory notes and comments from the Auditors. Query raised from the floor concerning uncleared cheques which was due to the timing of when the accounts were done. The club was in a healthy position financially.

Social Secretary Report

Margaret ran through the various social events of the year and reported on the success of the annual dinner with thanks to all that had helped on the event. She reported that the Ladies section was going well with 25 members, who attended fortnightly meetings, doing Saturday morning rides(even in bad weather), and were going out for a Christmas meal together.

Election of Officials for 2012

President -	Broo Rimmer re-elected
Vice President-	Joan Bradley
Hon Vice Presidents	As last year but with the addition of Dave Livingston and Nev Holgate
Chairman -	Allan Taylor proposed and elected.
Vice-Chairman -	Colin Baldwin proposed and elected..
General Secretary -	Ken Beck re-elected.
Treasurer -	Bill Lloyd re-elected.
Time Trial Secretary –	Margaret Biggs proposed and elected
Road Racing Secretary –	Jonathan Taylor proposed and elected to both positions
Track Secretary –.	As above
Audax Secretary-	Peter Gawthorne
Social Secretary –	Howard Massam proposed and elected.
Press Secretary -	Peter Gawthorne proposed and elected.
Delegates -	NLTTA – Derek Unsworth.

CTT Colin Baldwin

Committee – Members from last year re-elected – Juliet Jardine, Irene Gunn; Anna Coates, Dave Abram, Nev. Holgate and Matt Burdekin. Clayton Howard was proposed and elected as under 18 member..Margaret Sims who had stood down as Social Sec was elected to the committee, and thanked for her past work.

Timekeepers Nev Holgate, Margaret Biggs with Bill Lloyd as reserve. Anna Coates would stand in when possible, Dave Abram, Alan Stark be trained up

Handicappers - Bill Lloyd.

Auditors - Derek Unsworth and Greg elected to the positions

Webmaster - Allan Taylor re-elected

PROPOSALS

There had been a proposal for a copy of the draft Minutes of Committee Meetings (without any financial information considered by the Committee to be of a sensitive nature) to be placed on the notice board in the Club and on the web site ASAP after the date of the meeting. Members of the committee would be available to clarify/answer questions from members at the club rooms on a regular basis.

David Livingston asked if members could also ask for points to be included on the Agenda for meetings.

Both the original proposal and the amendment were passed and Allan Taylor would look into how this could be set up on the website and assist Irene in getting them onto the site once they were written up.

Club Dinner 2012

As Margaret had stood down as Social Secretary, Howard Massam had taken over the position and agreed to organize the 80th Anniversary Dinner to be held at Formby Hall on Saturday 17th November. Several suggestions had been put forward as to possible people to present prizes/speakers including Sarah and Barney Storey, Andy Wilkinson and Lynn Taylor.

Entry Fees for Time Trials

Bill advised the meeting that the charge levied by CTT is rising from £1 to £2 so the entry fee would have to rise to at least £3 and he suggested £4.

This was debated and it was felt that an increase of £2 was too high in one go, so it was agreed to put it up to £3 for members and £4 for visitors and look at it again next year.

Paul Mayor – Offer of a Trophy/Memorial

We had had the offer of a trophy from Paul's family. We would discuss this at the next committee meeting as we already had a large amount of trophies and would report back to the members once a decision had been reached.

Reference was made by Bill to Paul's funeral and the fact that no flowers was the family request and all donations could be made to Queenscourt Hospice. It was proposed and agreed that the club would send a donation of £100 but this would be done by a direct payment from Bill to Gift Aid it, then he would be reimbursed from club funds.

A.O.B

Bill raised the question of officials expenses. At present Ken received £100 but it was felt that £150 would be more appropriate to cover all his expenses. In view of the work that Nev put in and the expenses he has, it was suggested that he should be paid £50.

This was passed by the meeting.

Water Bottles

These had been received and were at present in storage. One bottle would be given to each member on payment of 2012 membership fees.

Subscriptions

These would be held at last year's level.

C.T.C.

The forms had now been received for the affiliation of the club to CTC and three members had already registered at the new annual fee of £15. Anyone else who wanted to join CTC through the affiliation scheme should contact Bill.

Membership Cards

Dave Livingstone asked who would be printing the membership cards now for next year. Ken advised there is a problem with the membership list in that there are three lists in existence and this needs to be resolved. Ken will get the cards printed but the more immediate concern is to get the list resolved.

Ellis Hart also raised the query about personal insurance which was passed at a previous year's AGM and asked if the committee checked that members were in fact insured and who with.

It was agreed that these matters would be resolved by the committee and reported back to the members.

Anna asked if it would be possible to update the Merit Boards. This would also be considered by the committee,

The meeting ended at 8.55