Eden Valley Group of Cycling UK - Minutes of E/AGM meeting 14 October Greystoke VH 1400

Agenda items:
Finance summary
Summary of Rides undertaken in the last months CJ
Planning report Nigel L
Festive Lunch
Club Kit
Ride Leader Instructions - modify
Away Weeks/Group Holidays
Weekends
Runs List
Cafe stop locations
Challenge/Reliability rides
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Present:Geoff&EileenA Claire&MikeB IanBrewis JenC SteveC JohnH CJ MichaelK NigelL IanL BillO NigelP ErnestP JamesR JohnR TonyS LenW RachelW

Apologies:MikeGraham LesMeer JeffSmith David&HeidiJackson BillHolmes KeithSmith AnneFaulder This is a summary of the main points discussed and they may be taken out of order for clarity!!

Welcome - Alison the chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked particularly the ride leaders once more encouraging us to complete the rides list by adding as many rides as we can.

Tony(Treasurer) summarised the accounts - there is a balance of about £3000 in the BS - thought was given to spending this - Bike boxes, giving to cycling for the disabled were discussed also mentioned were advertising flyers for both organised events and to publicise the club itself. Problem with a charity giving to another unless specific event organised for that purpose.

Nigel L(campaign and promotions) Mentioned Slagstones lane development (Strawberry Hill) and the lack of success in demonstrating to the local Council Traffic/Planning board the danger to cyclists on this narrow lane which is also part of Sustrans Route 7. Thirlmere back road was also mentioned. Here at least CUK has mentioned the problem and many local groups are lobbying to have the road reopened. Various other local problems were sited including developments for the Southern bypass of Carlisle and its consequence on the Dalston/Carlisle cycle path. Richard Ingham as cycle mayor of Cumbria might be also be able to bring pressure to bear on these problems.

The number of coffee stops seems to becoming rather limited and *Mike(runs coordinator)* presented a list of cafe stops to put on the runs list and the list was adopted. The possibility of stops at Base Camp/Cocklakes(off A66 or Howtown (in the summer months) to be considered.

Festive Lunch: Once again a lunch after the main Christmas period was preferred and lacking any other suggestions it was agreed that Geoff would research '4 & 20' for a repeat of last years which was held on the January 14th This year's equivalent is 13th which I will research. Keep this free in your diary!

Club Kit: Some members have expressed interest – Geoff will enquire about pricing from Imp Sport with particular reference to gilets!

Ride Leader Info (Mike) Some apprehension has been fed back from some new leaders at the amount of detail that there is included what with CUK leaders handbook and the numerous documents on the website so Mike has reduced the basic instructions sent out to new leaders to a single page which covers everything that they should be aware of and encouraging them to seek further guidance from other leaders. It is our aim to encourage everyone to lead so that the enthusiasms of every member for particular routes and inclines is shared!! As a futher help it was suggested that past quarters of runs lists be made available via the website which would give more examples of what has been done in the past rather than just a blank sheet.

Away Weeks (Alison) The Sill Trip recently was deemed a great success and after some consideration about dates a post Easter trip to Berwick was proposed on the same sort of terms as the Sill Trip.

Runs

Reliability/Challenge Rides A consideration of publicity and lead time and that maybe Sunday better at the weekend or the more usual Wednesday midweek. Plan to run again something in May next year.

For *general publicity* – A6 fliers with 'your local Cycling UK Group' and contact information including an iconic picture of cycling in our area. Perhaps a competition for said picture?! Could be dropped at cafes and Bike shops. Two designs One with Blank area for overprinting with event info?

Meeting closed in time to watch the Rugby!

Geoff Anderson - Secretary

attached: Cafe list(MB); CJ Rides stats; MB's advice to Ride leaders; Sheet re Club Kit from ImpSports

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Eden Valley Cycling UK - 'coffee stop review' (updated October 2023)

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|--------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | Current | | Proposed | Comments |
| First | Wednesday | The Pot Place, Station Yard, Plumpton | 01768 885500 | The Pot Place, Station Yard, Plumpton | No change Too busy to use on a Sunday |
| | Sunday | Larch Cottage Melkinthorpe | | Larch Cottage Melkinthorpe | Abbot Lodge the alternative? |
| Second | Wednesday | Lowther Castle cafe | | Appleby Hub | Not open Sundays |
| | Sunday | Acorn Bank National Trust Property, Temple Sowerby | | Granny Dowbekins Tearooms, Pooley Bridge | Acorn Bank closes end Oc |
| Third | Wednesday | Granny Dowbekins Tearooms, Pooley Bridge | | UpFront | Granny D's copes well with pressure – could be a Sunday destination? Best avoided altogether in summer |
| | Sunday | Melmerby Village Bakery, Melmerby | | Melmerby Village Bakery, Melmerby | No change |
| Fourth | Wednesday | Mill Yard cafe, The Square, Morland | 01931 714155 | Mill Yard cafe, The Square, Morland | Too busy to use on a Sunday |
| | Sunday | UpFront Gallery, Unthank | 017684 84538 | Lowther Castle cafe | UpFront to be closed on Sundays from October |
| Fifth | Wednesday | UpFront Gallery, Unthank | | Granny Dowbekins Tearooms, Pooley Bridge | Means 2 visits to Granny D's on the months when there is a 5 th Wednesday |
| | Sunday | Brougham Hall cafe | | Brougham Hall cafe | Closed Oct, opening as Fel and Bean early Nov. |

Additional stops

| Wetheral Animal Refuge | 01228 560082 | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Bojangles, Appleby | 017683 52662 | |
| Quaker Meeting House Mosedale | | Open in July/Aug |
| Dufton Post Office | | |
| Keswick YHA | | |

ATTENDANCE FIGURES and STATISTICS: EV CUK EGM - 14 th Oct 2023

Summary of performance From April 2023 to September 2023

The Active Membership, Attendance and Number of Rides Ridden over this period are listed below: -

Active Members = 63 (Members who attended at least 1 ride)

Total Attendance = 774 (Ride outings achieved by all members and all guests)
Rides Ridden = 122 (Cat 1 = 52, Cat 2 = 29, Cat 3 = 40, Off Road = 1)

Active membership (Number of EV members who rode at least one ride during the year)

| Table 1 – Active EV members over past 10 years | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Year | 13/14 | 14/15 | 15/16 | 16/17 | 17/18 | 18/19 | 19/20 | 20/21 | 21/22 | # 2023 |
| Active Membership | 79 | 86 | 81 | 90 | 96 | 86 | 73 | 19 | 61 | 63 |

From April to September 2023

Overall Attendances and Rides ridden

| Year | Attendances | | Comments & | | | | | | |
|---------|----------------|----------|-------------|------|----------|--------|----------------------|--|--|
| | for all riders | Cat 1 | Cat 1 Cat 2 | | Off Road | Totals | Coverage | | |
| | (Inc Guests) | Self Led | Moderate | Hard | | | Period | | |
| 12 - 13 | 1303 | 64 | 35 | 85 | 1 | 185 | (| | |
| 13 -14 | 1959 | 77 | 25 | 90 | 6 | 198 | (12 months) | | |
| 14 -15 | 1748 | 104 | 12 | 102 | 0 | 218 |] (| | |
| 15 - 16 | 1741 | 105 | 33 | 82 | 0 | 220 | (October) | | |
| 16 - 17 | 1763 | 96 | 62 | 87 | 0 | 245 |] (| | |
| 17 - 18 | 1471 | 98 | 67 | 67 | 1 | 239 | (to) | | |
| 18 - 19 | 1388 | 104 | 66 | 62 | 15 | 247 |] (| | |
| 19 - 20 | 682 | 46 | 32 | 32 | 4 | 110 | (September) | | |
| 20 - 21 | 57 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 17 | Covid restrictions & | | |
| 21 - 22 | 937 | 56 | 51 | 56 | 12 | 175 | Cuk AGM changes | | |
| # 2023 | 774 | 52 | 29 | 40 | 1 | 122 | 6 months | | |

From April to September 2023

Comments

- Active membership was 63 similar to last year
- Attendances were 774 70% of last years attendance achieved in 6 months
- Rides attended were
 122 80% of last years attendance achieved in 6 months
- \$ The period between April and September would have been the most active part of the year where attendances would be greatest
 - The accuracy of all figures relies on reporting by leaders and the competence of the statistics compiler
 - Thanks are given to all leaders for their continuing support with out whom there would be no rides

C.Johnson. EV Cuk Rides Attendances and Statistics Officer Rev 5 Post EGM: 23/10/23

PTO / For Individual attendances

Ride Attendances - Eden Valley Cuk Member Group April to September 2023

- 1. Figures shown are for the active 62 members who rode at least one ride in the recording period
- 2. Attendances cover the period 1 st April to 30 th September 2023
- 3. Figures for lapsed members who attended rides as guests are not shown
- 4. Figures for new members who started riding officially after 30th September are not shown

| Ref | 1 st Name | Surname | Rides | Ref | 1 st Name | Surname | Rides |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------|-----|-----------|------------|-------|
| | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Eileen | Anderson | 29 | 33 | Nigel | Longworth | 25 |
| 2 | Geoff | Anderson | 31 | 34 | lan | Ludlam | 17 |
| 3 | David | Bardsley | 2 | 35 | Les | Meer | 5 |
| 4 | Claire | Barron C | 19 | 36 | Bill | Openshaw | 31 |
| 5 | Mike | Barron M | 24 | 37 | John | Patrick | 3 |
| 6 | Phil | Blanshard | 20 | 38 | Chris | Patrickson | 5 |
| 7 | Rosie | Blanshard | 16 | 39 | Nigel | Pattickson | 22 |
| 8 | Dallas | Brewis D | 11 | 40 | Ernest | Phillips E | 6 |
| 9 | lan | Brewis I | 13 | 41 | Pam | Radcliffe | 5 |
| 10 | Debbie | Butcher D | 1 | 42 | Liz | Radford | 1 |
| 11 | Simon | Butcher S | 7 | 43 | James | Rawes | 22 |
| 12 | Jennifer | Callis | 17 | 44 | John | Roelich | 5 |
| 13 | Steve | Calvert | 6 | 45 | Pam | Roelich | 3 |
| 14 | Paul | Cumella P | 3 | 46 | Bob | Sharpe | 1 |
| 15 | Steve | Donson | 1 | 47 | Gill | Sharpe | 14 |
| 16 | Andrea | Edwards | 9 | 48 | Tony | Sharples | 14 |
| 17 | Jane | Fanan | 2 | 49 | Adella | Smart | 19 |
| 18 | Ann | Faulder | 2 | 50 | Gary | Smart | 6 |
| 19 | Jane | Fenna | 1 | 51 | Allison | Smith A | 15 |
| 20 | Colin | Fisher | 19 | 52 | Jeff | Smith Je | 7 |
| 21 | Keith | Garnett | 1 | 53 | Caroline | Steven | 14 |
| 22 | Kathy | Gibbs | 1 | 54 | lan | Stewart | 5 |
| 23 | David | Harrison D | 10 | 55 | David | Thomas | 3 |
| 24 | Bill | Holmes | 45 | 56 | Harvey | Thompson | 3 |
| 25 | John | Howell | 41 | 57 | Sue | Watson | 15 |
| 26 | David | Jackson | 1 | 58 | John | Welch | 1 |
| 27 | Heidi | Jackson | 2 | 59 | Ivan | Welsh | 21 |
| 28 | Chris | Johnson (1) | 39 | 60 | David | Williamson | 1 |
| 29 | Sarah | Kekus | 2 | 61 | Rachel | Wilson R | 18 |
| 30 | Mike | Korner | 35 | 62 | Dianne | Young | 4 |
| 31 | Tony | Lake | 1 | 63 | Martin | Young | 7 |
| 32 | Christopher | Longrigg | 1 | | | | |

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To current design - costs £82 . 80 min 5 required



You can see the particulars of the materials etc here http://www.impsport.com/custom/products/cycling-garments/rain-gilet-full-back-pockets/

Basic guidance for leading a ride with Eden Valley Group of CyclingUK

- 1. You will have completed the entry on the Runs List for publication including likely lunch and coffee stops distance and likely grade (see Web Site, Documents "Runs List notes on grades"). It is sometimes good to not only check that a venue is open but also to warn them ahead of when and how many are likely to arrive.
- 2. A few days ahead of the ride date publish further details on the Blog which may include amendments to the ride, route details, wet weather alternatives etc. It may be appropriate to publish further details/changes on the morning of the ride (early 0800) but these should be exceptional.
- 3. Be at the start ahead of the published start time so that you can get to know who is on the ride and register guest riders (those for whom you do not have ICE details, and those who are not CUK members). Non CUK members are allowed 3 rides before joining.
- 4. Outline the ride and pace to the group and remind them if necessary of riding etiquette including signals calls and group riding tactics. Choose stopping points carefully and remind riders to avoid blocking roads and junctions.
- 5. Appoint a back marker so that you can easily see if everyone is present. When ascending and descending it is not expected that everyone will stay absolutely together but on the flats discourage break-aways.
- 6. When the group is large, special thought should be given to splitting into several units to allow traffic to overtake. When the road is wide enough and the traffic is not too heavy ride in pairs (up to 4) it's safer, more sociable and it saves energy! But if we are in a big group riding in single file because of the conditions then please leave at least a car sized break every 4 so that following vehicles can get past safely. It should be the responsibility of the fifth rider to draw back from the group to make the space.
- 7. At some stage add the names of all who are on the ride to the link "For recording attendees on club rides". Some may join the ride at an intermediate stop and some may leave all are deemed to have been on the ride! There is a guest rider form available to download on the documents page of the website. If completed this should be returned to the Secretary after the ride.

Mike Barron

(Runs Co-ordinator)