



Stockport Clarion Cycling Club

Annual General Meeting
Held 15th November 2006

At
The Arden Arms, Millgate, Stockport.

Item

Minute

1. Attendees:

J Mortel, M Evans, I Brown, M Potts, B Hodgins, D Hodgins, L Copeland, T Lee, R Williams, M McPhillips, K Hodgins, N Biden, C Norton, R Brown, M Pigott, D Reynolds, R Higgins (W Sanderson – Late), (D Swindell & Maggie McPhillips – part-time).

Apologies:

D Clark, D Hewitt, C Biden, P Norton, L Ayres.
Meeting commenced at 20.00.

2. Elect Chairperson:

Merlin Evans was appointed Chairman.

3. Agree Minutes of 2005 AGM:

Agreed. M Pigott noted he attended but was not on last year's attendees. Merlin noted the accounts were not audited last year.

4. Secretary's Report for 2006

Membership - SCCC currently has **31** paid up members.

33 in 2005
41 in 2004
33 in 2003
48 in 2002
38 in 2001
38 in 2000

Most new members found the club through the website. The main influx due to the MTB rides, others are previous members. A number of regular members did not renew membership in 2006. Julian to pursue for 2007 membership.

We have **4 female** members, **0 Juniors** & **0 Juveniles**.

Through the year the club has taken up all the usual Clarion social & competitive activities. With a relatively small number of active racing & social members, the club has been well represented in National Racing events and within its own promotions.

It has been a busy & successful year. For ease I list the events and more below:

National Events (Competitive & Social):

National Clarion Road Race Championships at Swettenham
National Clarion 10, 25 & 50 Championships
National Clarion Hill Climb Championships (Wortley Hall Weekend)
National Clarion Track Championships
VTTA Championship
BC tt Championship
CTT Championship
Wortley Hall weekend
Easter Meet at Shrewsbury
Polaris Challenge
3 Peaks Cyclo-Cross Event
TransWales MTB Event

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SCCC Organised Events (Competitive & Social):

YHA weekends at Lincoln, and Stiperstones.
Club Runs from Handforth to Cheshire, Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Shropshire,
Lancashire, Yorkshire, Wales
Christmas Lunch at the Diggle Hotel
Weekly Club Nights, AGM & Annual Prize Presentation nights at The Arden Arms,
Stockport
Club 10 series & Hill Climb
Recycling.co.uk League Road Race at Great Budworth
National Clarion Road Race Championships at Swettenham
Easter Meet Circuit Race (Shrewsbury)
Dark & White Trail Quests
Leisure Lakes MTB Series
Competing in many Road Races and Time Trials, Preston Criteriums
Competing in Track Races at Manchester Regional Track Leagues
Mass participation rides, Manchester 100, Polka Dot Gran Fondo, Sean Kelly Cat &
Fiddle challenge, Audax events.
Mallorca Cycling trip
World Track Championships, Bordeaux
The trip to the Gent 6.

Julian thanked those who helped make the events possible, especially those marshals at the Road Races & 10 series and Pauline & Colin for their timing duties at the club 10 & hill climb. A plea went out to all members to ensure the club was well represented at it's organised events ensuring successful promotions and endearing other cycling clubs and bodies to the Clarion. More volunteers are required for organising such events and thanks go out to Rachel Copeland for being the organiser for next years National Clarion Road Race Championships on the Swettenham circuit. Merlin thanked Julian for his report & duties through the year and Derek thanked all those who participated & helped to make the events happen.

5. **Treasurers Report:**

Presented by Nick Biden and to be audited by Merlin / G Connell.

The club are currently in credit by with a closing balance of £1050.05. This is down due to the £1800 deposit payment for new club clothing. This will be recouped in the next order to go out in December 2006.

200 membership subscriptions were requested at latest by February 2007.

Balance sheet & accounts were issued at the meeting.

Merlin commended Nick for an excellent job.

6. **Committee Reports:**

6.1 British Cycling:

Neither Julian nor Duncan could attend this years regional AGM.

However it can be reported that BC membership is at an all time high.

Mark McPhillips is now a qualified British Cycling coach

SCCC promoted two road races in 2006 one on the Budworth circuit as part of the Recycling Road Race League and the National Clarion Road Race Championships on Swettenham. The National event gained the Stockport Clarion great publicity due to the high calibre of rider it attracted This years winner was Matt Stephens. We shall hold a road race again in 2007 on the Swettenham circuit as the **National Clarion Championships 19th August 2007.**

We also promoted the Clarion Circuit Race at the Easter Meet at Shrewsbury.

We shall stage another Recycling promotion in **2007, 17th June** on the Swettenham circuit.

PLEASE KEEP DATES FREE TO ASSIST WITH YOUR CLUBS PROMOTIONS.

6.2 CTT:

Derek attended the CTT AGM. Main issues are:

- a) Events are being further restricted to time of day & location of courses
- b) BCTT Championships will be held on Gawsworth in July.
- c) CTT Prize Presentation to take place in Nottingham on 5th January 2007.
- d) Club affiliation fees are to remain £30 per year.

6.3 M & DTTA:

Derek & Barbara (M&D Treasurer) reported the 2006 M&DTTA AGM is in December.

The Points series was won by Steve Hargreaves of Warrington RC and the Wagstaff award goes to Michael Cummin Macclesfield Wheelers (Dave Cummins son) as best 1st year rider. Did a pretty good time up the Cat & Fiddle, his training ride.

Derek is the organiser for the Xmas 10 held on the 17th December 2006 (11am start). Get your entries to Derek before December to be sure of a ride. Prizes for fastest ride overall, fastest ride on a road bike (drop handlebars), fastest ride on a fixed wheel & fancy dress & MTB if enough entries. Annual M&DTTA luncheon & prize presentation 28th January 2007, Masonic Hall, Middlewich. Merlin thanked Derek & Barbara for their continuing representation at M&D & CTT.

7. Election of Officers for 2007:

At this point thanks were given to Officers for 2006 and club members were appointed the following 2007 duties:

President:	Derek Hodgins
Chairman:	Merlin Evans
Secretary:	Julian Mortel
Treasurer:	Nick Biden
Social Secretary:	Mark McPhillips (Club YHA card holder)
Club Event Secretary:	Will Sanderson
Newsletter Editor:	Jules Mortel with Ric Brown and Darren Reynolds as key contributors
Press Secretary:	Merlin Evans
Road Captain:	A Run – Darren Reynolds, B Run – Julian Mortel
Off-Road Captain:	Les Copeland
Club Coach:	Mark McPhillips
CTT Representative:	Derek Hodgins & Nick Biden
BC Representative:	Julian Mortel & Duncan Hewitt
M & DTTA Representative:	Derek & Barbara Hodgins
Clothing Organiser:	Julian Mortel
National Clarion Representatives:	Merlin Evans, Les Copeland & Julian Mortel
Club Mascot:	Lucy & Dean Swindell
Auditors:	Merlin Evans & Graham Connell

Merlin thanked those Club Officials for their efforts in their responsible roles for 2006 & wished success to Club Officials for 2007.

8. Any Other Business:

8.1 Club subscriptions for 2007 are to remain as in 2006:

£20 Senior

£7 Non-cycling/Social/second claim

£5 Junior

£2 Juvenile.

8.2 SCCC Xmas lunch will be held on 21st January 2007. Venue: The Diggle Hotel, Diggle, Uppermill, OL3 5JZ. Les to make booking for club members to dine.

8.3 Prize Presentation night to be 2nd December 2006 at Arden Arms from 5pm. Bring a prize for the raffle, and trophy holders, hand over your trophies to Merlin for engraving. Please ensure trophies are polished.

8.4 Club 10's – Will is proposing to Keep them to Monday nights. More events if acceptable, marshal stations required at Chelford Island & Booths Hall Island with signage to each entry onto Chelford Island. **Each member who wants to be eligible for the 10 series trophy marshals twice, 250 points per session (500 points max.). Pushing riders off will not count to the points total.**

8.5 An off-road championship is to be introduced. Trophy to be found for potential champion. Les to advise on permutations for the award.

8.6 Club official correspondence will continue as follows:

- a) Newsletter, posted to all paid up members when issued.
- b) Boots & Spurs (issued by National Clarion - twice annual publication).
- c) Minutes of meetings posted to all paid up members when issued.
- d) Email updates & news, unofficially sent as & when news available to all members who have email addresses.

Please note, for any club info if you are not on email can be sought by meeting up with club members at the club night (Wednesday evenings at the Arden Arms, Stockport) or on club runs or from your club secretary (tel: 01625 575959).

8.7 Club Clothing for members.

1. A third order for clothing will be placed in December. Get your order to Julian including cheque payable to Stockport Clarion CC.

8.8 Mallorca 2007.

Provisional Dates are 22nd March 2007 to 2nd April 2007 incorporating the track championships in Palma.

8.9 SCCC record sheets for 2006 requested from members by Merlin ASAP. Please complete even if you did not ride in 2006. This will make you eligible for newcomer awards & handicapping for 2007.

Send to:

Merlin Evans
3 Green Lane
Heaton Moor
Stockport
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8.10 Nominations were sought for Clarion National Secretary. Current nominees are Charles Jepson – Oakhill and Ian Clarke - Fenland. Members to confirm proposals to Julian before 7th December 2006.

8.11 Proposals for clubman, clubwoman & section of the year were tabled. Les proposed Mark McPhillips for clubman & will prepare text for submission to National Clarion before end of December 2006. A proposal to put Stockport forward as best section would probably be best received by National Clarion if prepared by a new member to Stockport.

8.12 Tony Lee proposed SCCC to affiliate to IMBA (International Mountain bike Association). This was agreed. Tony / Mark to advise on affiliation.

8.13 Darren Reynolds stated the importance of attracting new members to SCCC. Mark McPhillips suggested attracting schoolchildren was the way forward. However this requires responsibility & commitment. Nobody was prepared to take this any further.

8.14 Merlin noted that life member Albert Stanesby died in April 2006 after his 103rd birthday.

8.15 Merlin handed to Will the Junior & Juvenile BAR trophies. Barbara Hodgins proposed one of which could be used for the MTB Trophy.

8.16 Merlin also advised that next years Easter Meet is at Hereford from 6th April to 9th April 2007.

Meeting closed at: 22.33