

GILLINGHAM & DISTRICT WHEELERS
COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES from Monday 10th August 2020

LOCATION: Held via Google Meets

Item	Details
1	Chairman's Welcome
2	Apologies: Apologies received – None Members present – Geoff Percival, James Little, Sarah Roberts, Peter Humphreys, Mike Smith, Vince Hounsome, Marlene Little, Christopher Mullett, Mark Harvey, Nick Hall Not Present – Lisa O'Shea
3	Minutes of Last Meeting: The minutes of the last meeting held on 8 th July 2020 were approved by the Committee.
4	Treasurer's Report: SR reported that currently there is £10,044 in the Club bank account but Cycling Time Trials have still not encashed the cheque (£1,166) sent to them for the 2019 levies. There is a small amount of cash from the TTs yet to be banked (VH agreed to make a bank transfer for these), and MS is due repayment for the iZettle card reader.
5	Membership Secretary's Report: PH had sent a list of paid up members to members of the Committee ahead of the meeting and confirmed we have now have 76 paid up members and that a number of these recent joiners are brand new members. There are still a significant number of 2019 members who have not re-joined so far. Free membership for Richard (Hank) Hansford was discussed and it was agreed that rather than discuss this each year, the Committee would offer him Life Membership. GP agreed to email him to confirm this (and PH has subsequently amended the club membership records to reflect this decision).
6	Time Trial Series 2020: VH reported that these are generally working well and entry numbers are good (averaging 30 per event so far), with around 1/3 rd being guest riders from other clubs. A couple of course records and a number of individual PBs have been set. The iZettle card reader has been a success with almost all riders using this for payment of entry fees.
7	Double Bulbarrow Hill Climb: This is scheduled for Saturday 12 th September. It was agreed that there would again be a Team Competition (minimum of 3 riders per team, best 2 times to count, and riders must complete first climb for their second time to count). The entry fee was discussed and it was agreed this would be £8.00 for GDW members and £10.00 for non-members. Event HQ was also discussed and it was agreed we would use Ibberton Village Hall if it is open for bookings, otherwise we would use the car parking area at the top of Bulbarrow. JL has been promised some prizes for the event by James Howell at Kitbrix and will also see what Wheels might offer. It was also agreed that the Double Bulbarrow would be the only hill climb event this year and will determine the Club hill Climb trophy winners.
8	Summer Road Race: MS advised that this event has had to be cancelled due to the current British Cycling Covid-19 regulations. The listing fee paid to BC should be refunded in due course.
9	Club Rides: The Saturday rides seem to be going well and there has been some positive feedback on the routes published. JL has had some members ask about Sunday rides and so asked that if anyone is planning to ride on a Sunday morning, would they put a post on the Club's Facebook pages to let others know. SR was asked about the Thursday Improvers Rides which currently have 4 people riding most weeks, so there is only space for a maximum of 2 more riders unless smaller groups are formed. SR said they

	are now leaving at 6.30 pm, not the 7.00 pm that is on the calendar. If anyone hears of people wanting to join this ride, can they let SR know.
10	<p>Introductory Rides: MS has emailed the Club's qualified Ride Leaders to establish their availability to lead rides over the weekends of 22/23 and 29/30 August and 5/6 September. He has suggested using the route to Stourhead from last year, with a stop at the café there if people want it. Once the dates can be confirmed, MS and ML will publicise the rides on social media. Due to the limited spaces available, ML proposed that those interested should be required to pre-register and MS agreed this would be sensible (perhaps a Google Form to be completed?)</p>
11	<p>Alternative Pink Kit: JL has sent a survey to members regarding the alternative pink kit. A few members have said they would definitely purchase a jersey in this colour, a number of others have expressed interest but would want to see a sample first. JL suggested we see if we can get a jersey made up by Kalas and both MS and GP said they would be keen to purchase without seeing a sample. JL will contact Kalas to see how to progress this.</p>
12	<p>Any Other Business: <u>Club Strava Page:</u> JL mentioned that about 2/3rds of those posting rides to the GDW Strava page are not club members, and wondered whether we should audit and cull some of these. There was a concern that if segment results are filtered by club, they would only show times for current members and historic times would be lost. MS & ML suggested we could perhaps set up a members invite only page. It was also felt we should see what other local clubs do and revisit this at the next meeting. <u>End of Season Awards Presentation:</u> MS asked what plans we should put in place for the end of season awards presentation / dinner. As there are currently restrictions on group sizes eating together, it was felt that a meal would not be viable this year. GP suggested handing out the TT trophies at the last TT and the Hill Climb trophies on the day, with the trophies then returned for engraving, to be subsequently collected from Wheels. MS agreed to order keep sake trophies and the non-perpetual trophies. <u>Wed 16th September:</u> This is listed as a Mere Down Hill climb, but this will not now take place. VH suggested running another 6 mile TT that date. JL said that it couldn't form part of the Club TT series as the details for that have already been set, but it could be used as a 'fun event'. VH will apply for the police permissions etc and the exact format can be decided on over the next couple of weeks. <u>Post TT Social:</u> MS suggested we should hold a social event after one of the remaining TTs in the garden of a pub close to the course being used. He is happy to arrange and publicise this, depending on the weather.</p>
11	<p>Date of next Meeting: JL will look to arrange the next Committee meeting for the week beginning 21st or 28th September 2020, which will again be via Google Meets.</p>

For information, I believe these are the 2019 members who haven't re-joined in 2020:

Adam Baker Rejoined	Simon Allen	Mark Geddes
Conrad Cronin-Webb Rejoined	Christopher Hutchings	Nick Hudd
Dave Cox	Dave Hayter	Stephen Hill
David Bell	Emma Fisher	Ted Greenwood
Jenni Bell	Fred Fisher	David O'Brien – Moved away
Keith Buck	Gerry Johns	Dave Roberts
Lisa Chapman	Jenny Lucas	Jamie Wiley – Moved away
Mary Emerson-Reed	Karen Lewis	Jerome Young
Michelle Davies	Kim Little	Nicola Martin
Paul Martin	Paul Stagg	Alex Hookins
Richard Ryder	Joe Cooke	(30 Total)