

**MINUTES OF THE 142ND A.G.M. OF THE NORWICH AMATEUR BICYCLE CLUB
HELD BY ZOOM ON TUESDAY 26TH JANUARY 2021**

Present: P. Johnson (Chairman), E. Dean (Secretary), J. Lusher (President/Treasurer), A. Blackwell (Membership Secretary), R. Smith (Welfare Officer), M. Taylor (Website Manager), N. Poskett-Taylor (Archivist), D. Howes (Club Captain), M. Johnson, O. Cozens (Awards Secretary), G. Dilks, B. Horne, J. Warnes, S. Telfer.

Apologies: T. Howes (Minute Secretary)

Minutes of the 141st A.G.M. 2020 had been published on the Club website and were agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising:

Subscriptions: Proposed by the Membership Secretary that they stay at the same level as 2020 and agreed unanimously.

District Handbooks: Eight would be ordered by the Secretary and would be posted to members who requested a copy.

Resignations and New Members: None to report.

Correspondence: Emails received by the Secretary had been sent to members as received.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary had prepared a written report which he read to the meeting: So much to everyone's relief for obvious reasons this years report will be somewhat shorter than previous ones.

Overall a good but unusual year for the club with our activities and gatherings very much curtailed. As a rule I would go through our racing achievements, club rides, dinner and awards for trophies. Unfortunately most items had to be cancelled, with only a small number of club rides and three open events taking place.

The focus of the club during 2020 was very much on trying to maintain usual and extraordinary admin tasks and where possible promote activities and competitive events. So instead of the usual rides of note I'd like to mention a few of the things that went on -

As mentioned when COVID rules were relaxed in the later part of summer we were able to promote 3 events, unfortunately Grahams had to be called off due to heavy rain. Thanks to Kate, Graham for their efforts and development of COVID procedures and equipment, for use at the HQ. Additionally the support from members and friends to help run these events was very much appreciated, especially given weather conditions for the Oct 25!

Similarly during the summer we were able to reinstate club group rides. However these had to be closely managed with rider numbers and routes having to be planned in advance. Many thanks to Dave, Andy and Tony for not only planning rides but also managing groups and developing COVID safety measures.

During and after the first lockdown in the spring committee meetings were halted but after a short while we were up and running with zoom meetings and somewhat modified agendas, frequently having to take account of short notice rule changes from government and cycling bodies. Thanks here has to go to Pete for pulling these meetings together and arranging agendas. Hopefully plans put forward at these somewhat unusual meetings were of help to members.

Thanks must also go to Jenny for remotely managing the accounts and Tony for taking minutes – a task which is difficult enough at the best of times let alone when we're all trying to get our IT working properly or on mute!

Other activities which have been carrying on almost as normal are the website and archiving of club history, being managed by Martyn and Nancy Also supply of club clothing and management of the membership register, thanks to Dave and Andy for their ongoing efforts.

However biggest thanks must go to the members who despite all rule changes have attempted to carry on riding their bikes and promoting the club. Looking forward to the coming year we are at

present planning to run our usual range of activities – including club rides, 4 open time trials, promoting 4 club events in the South Norfolk summer TT league and a club dinner. So with that in mind I wish members a safe and successful 2021 and hopefully a full schedule of activities.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer had prepared an income and expenditure report which awaited audit but showed a small profit for the year and a bank balance of £3219.72.

Revisions and Amendments to Club Rules: Subscriptions had been agreed, but the Membership Secretary said that payment arrangements should include bank transfers. This would be possible if members had the bank sort code and account number but the Chairman had been unable to complete arrangements for online access by officers. A document needed to be completed with signatures which it was agreed would be Chairman and Treasurer, with read only access for the Membership Secretary. He had ordered new membership cards and would e-mail members for renewals when arrangements could be confirmed.

Election of Officers:

President: Jenny Lusher

Vice Presidents: Carol Jeckell, Brian Cushion, Mike Johnson, Sid Hobart, Alex Chisholm. Mike Johnson would contact Sid, but Alex's status was not known.

The Chairman reviewed the list of other officers who agreed to continue in post and were duly elected:

Chairman: Pete Johnson

Vice Chairman: The Chairman would contact Aubrey Byrne who was unwilling to join Zoom meetings.

Secretary: Ed Dean

Membership Secretary: Andy Blackwell

Treasurer: Jenny Lusher

Auditor: Sue Clarke

Awards Secretary: Ollie Cozens

Minutes Secretary: Tony Howes

Club Captain: Dave Howes

Website Manager: Martyn Taylor

Welfare Officer: Dick Smith

Club Clothing Co-ordinator: Dave Howes

Archivist: Nancy Poskett-Taylor

Committee: Bev Cardew, Mike Johnson.

Delegates:	CTT (EDCA)	Mike Johnson, Ed Dean
	BC	Jenny Lusher
	ECCA	in abeyance
	E. Cyclo Cross League	James Lucas, Barney Horne (Chairman to check with Aubrey Byrne)

Affiliations: The Secretary confirmed that affiliation fees would be paid to CTT, BC and ECCA,

Allocations of trophies: To remain unchanged. The Harper Smith trophy was now considered lost. Mike Johnson had been unable to make contact with David Willimott but Joe Warnes said that he knows of an engraver in Thorpe who may be able to source a similar trophy. Nancy Poskett-Taylor agreed to send a picture to Joe for reference.

Club Championships: The Secretary proposed the following which were agreed: 10 miles – Godric, 12th June; 25 miles – Diss & District, 15th August; 30 miles – CC Breckland, 28th August; 50 miles – Godric CC, 18th July; 100 miles – EDCA, 11th July; 12 hr. – CC Breckland, date t.b.c.

Annual Dinner: Wensum Valley Hotel had been booked for Friday 19th November 2021. Kate Lucas had suggested Alf Engers as celebrity guest and speaker.

Club Equipment and Clothing: For future purchases the Chairman would inform the bank that a maximum of £2,000 would be applied to any transaction.

Website: Due to the fact that the Adobe Flash plugin had been withdrawn, the Website Manager was working on redesigning the website pages.

CTT East District: Mike Johnson advised that Don Saunders had retired from Chairmanship of EDCA and made Honorary Life President. He had been succeeded as Chairman by Mark Fairhead of CC Breckland.

Zwift: Barney Horne suggested meeting up via Zwift and would arrange if a members email sent by the Membership Secretary raised sufficient interest.

Awards List: To be circulated by the Awards Secretary and updated on the Club website. Trophies awarded for the 2019/2020 Season will remain with current winners until next awarded when engraving would be done retrospectively.

Meeting closed at 20.45. Next Committee Meeting 9th February 2021

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Chairman