

CENTRAL LONDON CTC

Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday 23 January 2019 at 19.00 Calthorpe Arms, Grays Inn Road, WC1X 8J

Present:
Colin Hartridge-Price
Derek Adlam
Paul Krebs
Paul Foster
Christine Johnson
Richard Philpott
Linus Rees
Lisa Percival

- 1. Apologies: John McColl
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed a true record
- 3. Matters arising

Lisa's action on insurance to be carried forward.

Action: Lisa

Colin thanked Richard for printing the photographs for the AGM photo competition

Lisa has added captions to as many of the Hadrian's Wall photos as possible. She has yet to hear from the CUK volunteer photographer

Action: Lisa

Colin reiterated that we do not run adverts for charity bike rides.

Paul F has introduced more easier 3 stars as discussed at the last meeting.

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The Majorca tour has been abandoned through lack of interest.

Richard confirmed that the Forum is up and running and that he has updated the Privacy Policy.

Colin referred to the excellent Ride Leadership Guide Linus had posted on the Forum. There was some discussion as to whether this should go in the FAQs but it was decided to leave it on the Forum.

Richard has looked at the Volunteer Group Management Tool but it is no good for our purposes at present, as it is not possible to add new members. It only includes those CUK members who live in the postcodes designated for our club or signed up through the group webpage. It does not even include those signed up as volunteers. It has also included people who don't actually ride with us. Richard will send feedback.

Action: Richard

4. Administration

We agreed we would check with the Calthorpe Arms that the dates of future meetings in their diary were correct, as the pub had us booked in for the previous Monday – done and they are.

Finances

Accounts for the period 1 October 2018 to 22 January 2019 were circulated at the meeting.

- Accumulated Funds total = £4925 this includes £1969 tour deposits
- Deficit for the period = £211
- Ride money for the period = £244

Reimbursement from funds

We discussed reimbursement from Club funds when those booking tours had to pay deposits. Richard raised the issue of risk to Club funds should the tour not go ahead.

It was pointed out that, in relation to a tour currently being organised where a deposit of £1000 had been paid, there was no risk to the Club because the deposit was refundable up until the day of arrival. Reimbursement of the £1000 was agreed.

It was agreed that, to protect Club funds, anyone paying out money in advance on behalf of the Club (e.g. booking accommodation, meals etc.) will be advised beforehand that they must ensure any up-front payment they make is refundable if the tour or event does not go ahead.

The Treasurer will ask the Committee to agree any reimbursement.

Action: Tour organiser

5. Rides list

- 1* Linus has not sent out a round robin email but is emailing individuals one by one. He has had several offers, including one offer of 4 Saturdays!
- 2* Christine's list is complete bar 5 May.
- 3* Paul F said there has been more interest from ride leaders for the next rides list and he has filled most of the available Sunday slots.

Rides list timetable:

Deadline for completion of spreadsheet: 7 February 2019

Action: All star co-ordinators

Renaming the star groups

There has been some discussion in the Club, about renaming the groups e.g. "Touring" for hillier and therefore harder 2* rides and "Sport" for 3*.

It was decided that renaming the star groups would overcomplicate matters and to leave things as they are. However, easier/harder rides in each category would be encouraged.

Overview of rides list

A Club member had put forward the suggestion that one person should have an overview of the rides list to ensure we don't end up with anomalies like 2 rides in the same area.

We discussed this and thought that it would only be a problem if more than one group was using the same train or pub.

Richard pointed out that Sue and Simon pick up this sort of thing when proof reading and he would notice if more than one group were using the same train. However, Richard thought that it would be useful if more people helped with the proof reading as several pairs of eyes may pick up different issues.

We agreed that there did not need to be a separate formal process and that we would all make the effort to proof read the list.

Action: All

We also discussed whether the overlap in speeds and distances between star groups was acceptable. We agreed that it was because, although there appeared to be considerable overlap, the distances will take into account other factors, such as difficult terrain. So, for instance, a 3* ride that, distance-wise, could be a 2* or 3*, could, in fact, be very hilly and a challenge for most 2* riders. In addition, the individual ride descriptions will make it clear what sort of a ride it is.

6. Tours and weekends

There is lots of interest in Tom and David's Netherland's tour and Paul and Michael's Welsh tour.

Paul K has not heard from Sabrina about her "challenging 3*" Andalucia tour (27) September to 6 October) since the last meeting.

Paul K will send details of the 1* fixed-centre New Forest tour (8 to 10 June) to Richard when the draft is finalized.

Action: Paul K

7. Welfare

Nothing to report.

8. Website

Richard reported that the Forum was up and running well but it would be good if it was used more frequently. Currently, Nick Bloom, Richard and Linus are moderators.

We discussed the Home Page on the website and Linus said he didn't think we should bill our rides as "all ability" when they are not. It was agreed that first entry on the

Home Page be amended to read "We organise all-day cycle rides in and around London to suit different styles, experience and fitness levels".

Derek pointed out that the summary was not in the same format and Richard said he would correct this.

Action: Richard (done)

9. Meeting dates

7 May 2019 – note that the Agenda will need to be agreed and sent out by about 28 April because of a number of Committee members being away on the Dutch tour from 30 April to the morning of 7 May.

16 September 2019

AGM – 15 November 2019

15 January 2020

20 May 2020