

**LEWES WANDERERS COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING ON 30th August 2016 AT
BRETT DAVIS' HOUSE, HEATHFIELD AT 8 P.M.**

PRESENT: Chris Martin (Chairman)
Paget Cohen (Press Officer) Brett Davis (Membership Secretary)
Bob Evans (Road and Track Secretary) Tom Glandfield (Time
Trial Secretary) Graham Jeffs (Treasurer) John Mankelow (Club
Secretary) Ian McGuckin (Club Runs Secretary) and Simon Yates
(Social Secretary).

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Paul Gibbons and Richard Meed.

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29TH MARCH 2016

The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

3 ACTION ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

(a) Second Trip to Velodrome

Graham had managed to book a session on 12th September for 15 members. All arrangements were now being finalised. It was agreed to try and fix another one early next year which would also have to be mid-week as weekends were too difficult to arrange. It was also agreed to try and organise regular dates up to four times a year providing there was sufficient interest.

(b) Communication with Members

As reported at the last meeting the Forum was being used very little with most Members preferring Facebook. It was agreed to let it run to next year when it was due to expire and review the position at that time.

(c) Possible on-line shop

The present purchasing arrangements were working satisfactorily and it was not thought necessary to organise an on line shop at the moment.

4. RELIABILITY TRIALS

This year's Club Reliability Trial had not proved popular and no one had come forward to organise next year's event. It was therefore decided to discontinue it for the time being.

However, full support for the ESCA event would be encouraged. It was suggested that to simplify entry, electronic payment could be made through Graham who could then submit a bulk entry to Worthing who were organising this season's trial. Otherwise it would mean entering individually by cheque as Worthing had no other facilities. This was agreed.

5 CLUB RUNS

A suggestion was made by Graham that arrangements be made for an additional club run at a slower pace. This would run from Boots at Uckfield at 8.45 in the summer or 9.15 in the winter and meet for elevenses with the earlier group. An exception would need to be made for the longer rides. Graham was prepared to arrange a roster of leaders with the idea being that they would only need to lead a run every 4 – 6 weeks. He would also identify when a shorter ride was needed. The aim was to encourage newer and older members who might find it difficult to keep pace with the existing run.

This was agreed – to coincide with the new programme of winter club runs starting at the end of October. An email would be sent to all members explaining the new arrangements.

6 MUGS AND ACCESSORIES FOR CYCLING CLUBS

An approach had been received from a company that could supply mugs and other accessories for cycling clubs. The suggested order was 36 mugs for £109 inc delivery.

It was agreed to place an order if Neil Midgley was willing to produce a suitable design. Brett agreed to facilitate storage until they could be distributed.

7. OFFICER REPORTS

(a) Membership

Brett reported that there were currently 158 paid up members (a record number). There had been approaches by young people asking about membership. If young riders were to come on a club run it was considered that they should be accompanied by parents for at least the initial ride. They could also be directed to Preston Park .

(b) Treasurer

Graham reported a balance of £9785.11 at the end of July although this would be reduced by the payment of levies which were due.

Approximately £1,600 worth of new kit had been purchased during the last session. It was agreed to open it again during November and between January – February to give time for it to arrive for the beginning of the new season.

(c) Road and Track

Bob reported that the LVRC road races had been a success apart from a fallen tree forcing the cancellation of the afternoon race. Bob would not be available to run the LVRC race next year but planned to run it the year after.

No one had expressed interest in running the Crits next year and it appeared that it would have to be cancelled. However it was agreed to notify British Cycling of the event and see if anyone would come forward in the meantime. The position would be reviewed at the AGM.

On the storage of signs and other kit, Simon agreed to store the road race material and Tom would continue to look after the time trial equipment.

(d) Time Trials

Tom was progressing the programme for next year. Simon had agreed to promote the 30 and Neil Midgley the Gents GP. There might also be a need for a volunteer to manage Chailey this year.

The need to wear a helmet for the hill climb was questioned. This would be dealt with at the AGM.

(e) Club Runs

Ian was currently working on the winter programme which would now take account of the proposed slower ride.

(f) Jumble Sale

This would be run by Ian on 29th October. More publicity would be given to this year's event on various web sites and possibly in Cycling Weekly.

(g) Press

There was nothing to report. Chris announced that he would not be keeping paper copies of each press report after the end of this year.

(h) Social Secretary

The annual awards dinner would be held at the Alma on 19th November at £15 per head.

(i) Off Road

There was no report.

6 CLUB RULES

Graham was working on an update of the rules to be considered at the AGM.

7 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday 8th November 2016.

The meeting ended at 10 p.m.