

MINUTES OF RRND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11th January 2012

Present

Dave Charman, Richard Coles, Carol Dark, Colin Don, Debbie Don, Rob Edwards, Danny Haste, Pete Jenkins.

Apologies for Absence

Malcolm Coles, Jo Jenkins, Stuart Read.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulated by e-mail and approved.

Matters Arising

1. Richard is aware that due to recent incidents the ACU have advised enduro clubs to take up limited company status to protect committee members and even as a trials club we should consider this . We know that this will involve more admin and accounting and **Jo** plans to talk to Rick about this so that it can be discussed at the AGM. **Carol** to add to AGM agenda.
2. Neville has suggested separate committee meetings and club nights and as the committee meetings are often quite lengthy, not allowing the committee to socialise with other members, this was thought to be a good idea. Committee meetings will now therefore continue to be held during the first week of the month on a suitable day and the club nights will be agreed with the members at the AGM. **Carol** to add to AGM agenda.
3. Richard has agreed to stay on the committee as Chairman, flattered to have received this request from the rest of the committee.

Secretary's Report

Carol has paid the affiliation to the ACU and BMF.

Carol read the following extract from the AMCA Trials Rules and Regulations 2009

'Motorcycle helmets, which are correctly fitted, must be worn by all officials, riders and passengers when riding a machine, unless specified otherwise in the Supplementary Regulations.'

After some discussion it was decided that our entry forms carry strong recommendations to wear a helmet but the ultimate choice must remain with the rider.

Treasurer's Report (Given by Pete in Jo's absence).

Current account £463.13 Tracker account £11,654.76 .The possible refund of bank charges remains ongoing.

Jo has issued a cheque for £55 for the affiliation to the AMCA, **Carol** to complete form and forward on.

The declaration for 27 November is missing, **Colin** will check to see if he has it.

Jo pointed out that she had again had to transfer £500 from the Tracker account and that we may want to consider changing prices. The committee recognised Jo's concern at the losses we are incurring at club trials. However, it was decided to continue subsidising riders by keeping entry fees the same and giving half price rides for those who give up their time to lay out. This decision will be conveyed to

members at the AGM, **Carol** to add to agenda. In the event that the Tracker account falls to £10.000 we will review the situation.

Editor's Report

Debbie thanked everyone for last month's articles and asked **Pete** if he could write one for next month.

Notification of the AGM was put in the January e-news and **Debbie** will send another reminder in due course.

Membership Secretary's Report

There were a total of 101 members in 2011. So far this year 52 have renewed and two former members, Mark Wood and Graham Stratford have rejoined. There are presently 30 adult, 12 junior and 10 honorary members.

Competition Secretary's Report

Colin has now booked Faygate Tip for September and Shamley Green for November. May and July's Saturday barbecue trials will be at Beare Gill and June's at Sparticles. There may also be a beginners and wobblers type trial early in August.

As we are suffering losses when holding trials at The Old Quarry, Colin approached Karen Thomas about the possibility of booking three trials next year for the reduced fee of £200 for each (instead of £250 for up to 40 riders and £6 each thereafter). Although at first positive, the Thomas's have now changed their mind, believing it would not be fair to other clubs. In the light of this, the 2012 Christmas Trial was discussed and Colin will try to book Blacklands for 30th December.

Colin is preparing large envelopes to contain all paperwork from trials. They will have a list of enclosures and boxes to tick off when complete. There will also be £30 of float in £1 coins in the cash box. Colin also intends to organise teams to lay out club trials. He will combine all the laying out gear into one kit.

Social Secretary

Nothing new to report.

AGM

Reports need to be prepared by **everyone** for the meeting. Colin has agreed to do one for the Competition Secretary.

Pete, Jo and Stuart are unable to attend the AGM.

Debbie will e-mail all members requesting the return of trophies to Richard so that he can organise the engraving.

Any Other Business

Richard will prepare laminated notices for trials, detailing nearest hospitals, danger spots etc for all of our venues.

The new generic risk assessment form will be signed off by the person laying out the white route or the most experienced rider in the team.

Club Constitution- Debbie has written a proposed new constitution in view of the restrictive nature of the existing one. She handed a copy to everyone with notes detailing the most important changes. Antony will be asked if he has a copy of the original ACU constitution otherwise we will use the same for both the ACU and AMCA. **Everyone** must look at the new document before our next meeting. Once adopted at the AGM it will be put on the website.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 6th February at The Red Lion, Old Reigate Road, Betchworth.

Club night Wednesday 1st February.