



Manchester & District CTC Committee Minutes

Date: Wednesday 25th March 2015 7.30pm

Venue: The Welcome Inn, Bury Old Road, Prestwich

Present: Peter Barnes, Laurie Green, Terry Hodges, Darryl Nolan, Mike Roberts, Ian Ross, Dave Trippier, Mike Wigley

- 1) **Apologies for absence:** Andy Regan, Mavis Ross

- 2) **Matters Arising from the previous meeting:** The minutes of the meeting dated 1st October 2014 were read out and were accepted as a true record.

- 3) **Reports from Officials**
 - a) **Secretary:** The Manchester & District CTC website has had to be moved (again!) but it can still be found at www.ManchesterCTC.co.uk

 - b) **Treasurer:** We received a grant of £600 from CTC Headquarters

 - c) **Membership Registration Officer:** We have 1463 CTC members in our area.

 - d) **Rights and Campaigns report:** Mike told us of a long-running dispute over the right of way around Manchester Airport. The road works on the M56-M6 link have commenced. He reported on the fatal accident involving Stewart Gandy of Crewe Clarion, for which a motorist had been arrested for causing death by dangerous driving.

 - e) **Welfare Officer:** nothing to report

- 4) **Reports from Groups**
 - a) **Peak Audax Events Secretary:** A busy season with the usual events acting as PBP qualifiers. We've upped the game for the 600km event thanks to the large number of entries, by booking Poynton Church Hall for the start, and Corby Glen Village Hall for a half-way sleep stop. Poynton Church Hall could be useful to give us toilet facilities for the start of future editions of the 200km and 400km.
We have a good entry for a new event remembering Don Black, which starts at Wetherspoons Stalybridge and finishes at Stalybridge Station Buffer Bar. This will be closely followed by our Easter Wednesday events to Monyash and to Great Budworth.

We had 126 out on the Mere 200/Mere Century rides in January (our biggest ever entry) but only 66 in February for the Newport 200/Audlem 150 rides on a bad day. Peak Audax will be running the National 400 on 9th/10th July 2016. We'll be looking for volunteers both to help and to ride.

b) Bury: Charlie Westlake and Walter Pilkington rides had 100 cyclists who raised £727 towards Bury Hospice and Cancer Research UK. It is intended to run these again in 2016. There is a plan to have a new club jersey.

c) Oldham & Tameside: Easter Tour coming up

d) West Manchester: Have recently completed Reliability rides at 50km in 2½ hours, and a Riders Dinner

e) Rochdale: going well with lots of activities (including Riders Dinner and Awards, Annual Dinner, 50 in 4, BAR, points for club rides). There are plans for a club tour to the Pyrenees, and a France End to End ride.

f) Macclesfield Wheelers: their new online membership system had some teething problems but they have about 200 numbers. There was a question about 3rd party insurance, which is only available to CTC members who have their own Membership Number. As an affiliated club, members can join CTC for a reduced fee.

5) AGM feedback

This seemed to go well as a new venue. We got some new faces out on bikes but not all arrived back for the AGM. The ride started at 11am, returning for the meeting at 3pm. Perhaps an earlier meeting time would allow riders to come to the meeting and go home in daylight.

6) Future Events

Beard Cup (06/09/2015 to be run by Rochdale CTC)

Audax Events (see www.PeakAudax.co.uk for Calendar)

7) Any other business: none