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NDCXL Members' General Meeting

Date: 9th September 2024 at 7:30pm

Venue: Zoom

Attendees:

John, Bruce, Mike, Ian, Andy, Tim, Stu, Tony, Helen, Carolin, Darren, Gary, Steve Oakes

### 1) Apologies

Simon S, Nick & Christine

### 2) Agree last Minutes

OK

### 3) Matters arising

~400 Stakes from Nial?

Are these the ones Nick already has?  $\rightarrow$  yes we think so

### Winners jersey logistics

Washing them → Caroline will bring the clean jerseys each race - thank you!

Presented by Neil or Caroline when possible

### **Excess Clothing charity donation to CRY**

Belinda Shorney  $\rightarrow$  given we've only just organised the Grity sponsorship and said no to other things we need to park this for now.

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### Request for new organisers

Comms to make an announcement at the start of the races Social Media posts once 2-3 races in

### Discuss finding a photographer

Mick!

### **Inter-Regional Youth Race**

Toby following up

### **Unstone payments -**

Rob to ask Steve if they need the money transferring or if the NDCXL keep the money

\*But\* we still need the levy form so NDCXL knows how much to pay BC

**Rob** to ask Steve specifically for the Levy form/return

### 4) Team updates

#### a) Admin

I now have the trophies from 23/24 that weren't collected so I'll bring them to the first race.

\*\*\*Bruce to add a message to Facebook closer to Shipley to remind winners to collect them!

### Rob to share photos - done

There are older trophies in storage (organised by Mark vA) too so should they go somewhere else so that they can be seen?

### b) Logistics

Caroline has gazebo top and sides plus flags

Tony to bring the IIkCC machine to Round 1

### c) Officials

Darren: first round appointed (3); HPP to be sent out shortly

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Stuart to send to Darren for each event before the event, cop Friday latest

d) Results

e) Events

Shipley -

Emma needs start lists - Stuart Reeves organising

**Stu** pointed out that the day surcharge has gone up; sign on sheets updated, note that:

Juniors £2.50

Over Juniors £5

Round 1 Gridding to be based on National Ranking and then last year's ranking; if you move up an age cat then you will start at the back

Stuart to speak to Nick for gridding rules for subsequent rounds

lan: Round 1 good to go but only 222 entries (70 down on last year down across most categories)

5 teams of 5 people for the setup

then ~25 for sign on, parking and marshalling

Needed more posts from the league to promote

Still wasn't clear that affiliation isn't needed

Other leagues have been more active on social media

Bruce to update more social media needed on the run up with a reminder about no affiliation and on the day

RSRs clashing on Saturday which is bad timing

Tony suggested more media content explaining what race day is like; mini-vlog updates

Caroline: try more on Instagram

Look at National Trophy and XC feeds with rider's re-posts

John: Yorkshire issue a newsletter which is something we could try

**Bruce** to contact VeloUK to re-share ...also try contacting Cycling Weekly

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**HPP** - setup on BC and with Helen

#### **October events**

Rob needs Bruce's details

Tweaked calendar below - also combined event list here"

<a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1eDyp7L4YSWgIE8n06MZlxZjU4lkrNTH\_3-T">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1eDyp7L4YSWgIE8n06MZlxZjU4lkrNTH\_3-T</a>
<a href="mailto:cnxq4P-w/edit?gid=0#qid=0">cnxq4P-w/edit?gid=0#qid=0</a>

### f) Communications

John sorting the FB feed on the website - needs to work with Bruce with admin rights to resolve -\*\*\*when Bruce is back

Need to update the Participate stage (and FAQs) as someone had purchased affiliated league membership on 3rd Aug.

### g) Finance

Bruce submitted invoice, no further changes needed; is this now paid? All sorted

Tony: ~£14k in the bank; and we shouldn't have the league fail and have money in the bank

Ideas for future:

Do we pay for media reps at races?

How do we get gravel riders into CX racing?

Trial free places for a race?

**Caroline**: Xan is local so can she post content **Bruce**: put forward media support proposal

**Rob**: to contact Toby re the PAS system for round 1

- 5) Event reviews
- 6) Any other business
- 7) Date of next meeting Tue 8-Oct 1930

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DATE	PROPOSED NDCXL	ORGANISER	NOTES	OTHER EVENTS
7-SEP				
14-SEP	Shipley	lan		Hope 1 Tong (Sat) Hope 2 Tong (Sun) Hope 3 Wyke (Wed)
21-SEP				Hope 4 Wyke
28-SEP 5- OCT	HPP	Helen		3 Peaks CX (Sun) NTCX Derby
12-OCT				
19-OCT	Darley Moor	Bruce + Belper		
26-OCT				NTCX South Shields
02-NOV	Middlehills	Tina / Chris		
09-NOV	Darley Moor	John / Empella / Zepnat / Matlock		
16-NOV				NTCX Paignton
24-NOV*	Markeaton	Nick	*Sunday event	EM Regional
30-NOV				Masters Worlds
07-DEC				NTCX Clanfield
14-DEC				
21-DEC				
28-DEC	Darley Moor	Bruce		
4-JAN				NTCX Tong
11-JAN				National Champs at Cyclopark
18-JAN	TBC	Nottingham University	or Nick as a fallback	

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#### **Carry over notes**

Category	23/24 price	24/25 price in advance	24/25 price on the day entry
U10/12	£2.50	£5	£8
Youth	£8	£10	£15
Juniors	£12	£12	£15
All others	£16	£16	£20

#### Inter-regional competition proposed - 7th and 8th Dec at National Trophy Clanfield round

Event 1: The Long Race, Saturday Daytime

The Trophy U16 youth races act as the first event for the regional teams. Riders compete in their respective races as normal (gridded as normal), competing in a regional jersey over their club kit. The cumulative times from the fastest three boys and three girls in each team represents the team result and give the teams total time. Total time is important as it acts as the handicap in the final team relay.

Event 2: The Sprint Race, Saturday Early Evening

A short course sprint event under floodlights. Approx. 2 min laps, one bike, no pits. Two mass start races for girls and boys. Fast and furious 10 - 15m races around the short course. Gridding based on finish positions in The Long Race. Average time for top three boys and the average time for top three girls in each team is added to the teams total time. All sort races completed within 60m from 1700-1800h, including course time.

Event 3: The Skills Challenge, Sunday Morning

An off-course skills test to acquire bonus seconds based on the rider level achieved. A broad set of potential skills announced and circulated to Team Managers in September, but the specific skill tests announced 1 week before. The skills test will be performed in under 1m (so we can complete the event within about 90m from 0930-1100h). Riders shall be given an optional second attempts, but if they do this, the second attempt counts whatever the outcome. Best three girls and three boys gather bonus seconds to be added to the teams total time.

Event 4: The Final. Team Relay, Sunday Lunchtime

Regional team relay, with six riders (min. 3 girls) racing half laps (TBA, if time permits full laps may work), using the pits as the changeover area. The start order is handicapped based on the current

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time standing, meaning the fastest team start first and the order across the finish line is the CXIR final result.

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### **Future Agenda items**

lan: Alfreton has been used for training recently and there is a new car park - would be a good potential venue in future

Review League financial model (levies) to be reviewed for 25/6 season.- see BC costings below

Review relevance of team prizes and Harry Gould Participation Award.

Suggestion to trial moving Vet40s to Senior to bolster that race

Re-assess service providers after 24/25 season and carry on every 2 years

Re-assess First Aid providers - see notes below

Tony had already checked ours in comparison with Leics and we're already paying the market rate

Suggest we review every two years (with a transparent SLA) and keep it as is for 24/25

#### Supplier costs (from JR Holmes)

First Aid I use at National Trophy Elliot Frampton 07562746215,

Elliot.frampton100gmail.com we pay £500 for 2 firstaiders for 2 days at the trophy.

Toilets we use Knifton.co.uk

Race Numbers **Pymmwenn.com** these are the ones every one uses.

#### **BC Costings**

Registration fee: £10

Levies:

All juniors, seniors, veterans and women - £3

All youth (except under-12s) - £1.50

All under-12s - Free

Event surcharge (any non-members aged 16 or over) - £3

Go-Cross (in accordance with 6.8 of the cyclo-cross technical regulations) - £1.50

League Affiliation £98

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