

Eastern Cyclo-Cross Association

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 8th February 2004

Foxhall Stadium, Ipswich

2.00pm

AGENDA

Note: The meeting is open to all first claim members of a club affiliated to the British Cycling Federation and registered in the Eastern Region Division (formerly East Anglia, Essex and North London) or private members of the Federation residing in the Eastern Division. Each registered club is entitled to 2 delegates and only those delegates and private members are entitled to vote at the AGM.

1. Apologies for absence: to receive apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the 2002 AGM held 16th February 2003 (enclosed): to agree the minutes as a true record of the meeting
3. Matters arising from minutes: to raise any matters arising from the 2003 minutes
4. Chairman's Report: Chris Gooch
5. Secretary's Report: Ian Poole
6. Treasurer's Report: Neil Pears
7. Eastern Cross League Report: Tim Butler
8. Events Co-ordinator's Report: Chris Gooch
9. Press Secretary's Report: Ron Hunt
10. Coaching Co-ordinator's report: Bob Hayward
11. Proposal by Committee: That the position of Area Squad Co-ordinator be deleted from the list of Officers of the Association in Article 5 of the Constitution.
12. Proposal by Committee: That Article 7 of the Associations Constitution be amended as follows:

The Committee of the EXCA shall comprise the officers as detailed above (5), plus any additional members which the Committee agrees to co-opt.

13. Election of Officers:

	<u>Present holder</u>
Chairman:	Chris Gooch
Secretary:	Ian Poole
Treasurer:	Neil Pears
League Co-ordinator:	Tim Butler
Events Co-ordinator:	Chris Gooch
Coaching Co-ordinator:	Bob Hayward
Press Secretary:	Ron Hunt
Riders representative:	Russell Parkins

14. Proposal by Mildenhall CC:

That under 12's be gridded at the start by position and experience.

Reason: So that the more experienced riders are not baulked by less experienced riders at the start.

15. Proposal by Mildenhall CC:

That the under 12's event be the first on the programme.

Reason: So that they can familiarise themselves with the course instead of having to be led round the first lap. Also it would mean the course could be in use while the rest of the Youth/Senior course was being set up and would only need changing once instead of twice as it is at the moment.

16. Proposal by Mildenhall CC:

That Ladies & Juniors race for only 40 minutes + one lap. Using a whistle, hooter or buzzer to denote their last lap.

Reason: To bring their event more into line with national and international standards. It may also encourage more ladies and juniors to compete.

17. Proposal by Mildenhall CC:

That consideration should be given to starting each category slightly behind each other e.g. seniors, vets, then ladies and juniors together and each category gridded. This also to apply to U16/U14's.

18. Proposals for the British Cyclo-Cross Commission Annual Conference:

a: To propose Chris Gooch and Ian Poole as members of the British Cyclo-Cross Commission.

b: That the Cyclo-Cross Commission should endeavour to place the final round of the National Trophy Series at a time after the National Championships and before the World Championships.

Reason: To seek to ensure that high level individual racing in Britain continues after the National Championship, thereby ensuring the season is more in line with the continental calendar and extending the opportunity for racing for all.

c: That, should the final round of the National Trophy series be held after the National Championships, the Inter Area Championships be held prior to National Trophy 2.

Reason: This will mean that an event of lesser importance is held earlier in the season and that the climax of the British cyclo-cross season will consist of the National Championships, followed by the final round of the National Trophy and then the World Championships – facilitating an opportunity for greater publicity for the sport.

- d: That the Cyclo-Cross Commission seeks to update and change the format of the Inter Area Championships and creates a new National Team Championships. This would allow riders to represent their British Cycling affiliated team whilst also scoring points for their designated region.

Reason: Although it is recognised that the event does get good support, it is the opinion of the Association that this competition is in need of refreshing to increase rivalry and competition. A detailed presentation on the method of points scoring will be made at the Conference.

- e: Amendment to Regulation 5.10 add:

5.10.4 In Category C races, where the Chief Commissaire is satisfied that a youth rider is capable of competing with juniors or women , as appropriate, without detriment or harm to the rider in question.

Reason: To enable youth riders of suitable ability to gain experience of riding at a higher level other than in National Trophy and National Championship races. To bring the sport in line with other disciplines of British Cycling such as circuit races and track racing.

- 19. To elect Eastern Cyclo-Cross Association delegates for the Commission Annual Conference at Kegworth, Leicestershire on 6th March. The Association is entitled to 6 delegates who must be full members of the British Cycling Federation (Chris Gooch and Ian Poole, as members of the Commission, cannot be delegates.
- 20. Any other **urgent** business.

Any proposals for the AGM should be submitted to the Secretary by no later than 12 noon on the day of the AGM