

Eastern Cyclo Cross Association

Annual General Meeting

Held via Google Forms between Monday 22nd Feb 2021 and Sunday 28th Feb 2021

MINUTES

1. Minutes of AGM held 30th March 2020 via Google Forms
Signed as a true record. Proposed Callam Stewart, Seconded Clive Tricker
2. Matters arising
There were no matters arising
3. Chairman's Report
Events:

Well, I certainly didn't see a near total wipe-out of the Cross season coming when I wrote my report this time last year. We tried to get events off the ground and my thanks to Stowmarket & District Cycling Club and Mud Sweat and Gears for getting a socially distanced event at Haughley Park in September. Steve Grimwood even tried a cyclo-cross time trial at his "Big Bike Bash" in September. But, despite having a full League programme ready to go, we had to admit defeat and at the end of September took the decision that, although individual events might be possible, we would not hold a league competition for the season. We did have some low key events such as the Summer Cross promoted by CC Ashwell and the Muddy Monsters Youth races in Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire, so all was not lost.

As for 2021/22, we can only plan to be ready if we're allowed to race again. Organisers will soon be contacted and I'm hoping to have a draft programme of events out by the end of April. Any prospective organisers of new events should contact either Ian Doe (BC Regional Events Officer) or myself if you're interested in putting an event on.

As we look forward to 2021/22, the hoped-for highlight will undoubtedly be hosting the World Masters CX Championships at Trinity Park on 3-5 December (exact dates to be confirmed). The Association is partnering XRT Elmy Cycles (lead by Steve Grimwood) in bringing this global event to the region and we're already getting enquires from the US about the event. Unfortunately, due to UK Covid Travel Restrictions, we are unable to confirm any details regarding the Championships at the moment but we are hoping that the situation will become clearer soon. The Event Website should be going live at the start of April and I'm sure that, if we go ahead, there'll be lots of volunteering opportunities leading up to and during the course of the Championships.

Riders:

Although little in the way of racing took place in the UK, we did have some representation on the international front with Oli Stockwell selected for the GB team at the European and World Championships and the World Cup at Tabor. Oli finished 32nd in the U23 World Championships but was one of the youngest riders in the race and should have another couple of seasons to make his mark in the category.

Coaching:

The restrictions have also had some impact on coaching activities and, again, we can only hope for a return to "normal" in the coming months. The British Cycling Eastern Region Board is keen to see gaps in coaching, whether it is location, gender or BAME and there is likely to be some focused work in the coming months to get a better representation of coaches across the East of England. From an Association point of view, I would love to see more information coming to us from cyclo-cross coaches in the region about what activities

are taking place and the opportunity to share good practice. Mark Wyer has been trying to do some of this, but we rely on coaches keeping us informed.

Commissaires:

At a national level there has been a restructuring of Commissaire grades, and this will be reflected in new courses and ways of qualifying as a Commissaire to be rolled out this year. Regionally, we're thinking of putting on an "Introduction to Commissaires" webinar for those of you that might have been thinking of getting involved but don't really know what it's all about and what's involved. Keep an eye on the website for more details. Our qualified Commissaires will have had a very quiet year and, like me, are probably feeling a bit rusty! We'll look to hold (hopefully) a face to face gathering for Cross Commissaires before the start of the season so that we can all get up to speed with regulation changes and good practice.

The Committee:

All our meetings have been virtual this year and the focus of discussion has been on trying to get events off the ground within the limitations at the time. My thanks go to all the Committee members for their continued support and especially Paul Moss for his secretarial and treasurer duties. During the year Jan deBoltz had to resign due to family commitments. We miss Jane's input to the Committee and wish her and her family all the best.

As we go forward, no doubt the Committee's early focus will be getting a League off the ground as well as supporting the World Masters. But we also need to focus on rider and officials development as well as picking up on managing the demand from the number of riders which had become a problem before we closed down.

Looking forward to seeing you all at a 'Cross in September.

Ian Poole, Chair.

4. Treasurers Report

As per usual we split the profit & loss sheets into League and Association so that we can make sure that the League costs are breaking even. The league made a surplus of £286.22 and the Association a surplus of £1897.34. The major expense for the association was the purchase of another set of judging equipment to be held in the west of the region. We were also pleased to be able to fund two young riders to attend the World Junior CX Championships.

No decision has been made on league registrations for 2021-22 or race entry fees for 2021-22 but I would guess these will stay the same as 2019-20.

This financial year which ends on the 31st August 2021 will clearly be very different but we're well placed for the 2021/22 season and will have no problem financing the World Masters Championships in December.

Eastern Cyclocross Association

Year Ended 31st August 2020

Income	2019/20	2018/19	Expenses	2019/20	2018/19
BC Levies	10076.50	12818.50	Equipment	1021.57	103.98
Area Levies	2966.50	3771.00	BC Levies	10076.50	12818.50
National Trophy Income			Committee Expenses	395.28	372.00
Regional Championships	1592.19		Honoraria/Donations	0.00	69.88
			Medals/Engaving/Prizes	364.50	156.00
			National Trophy Expenses		8202.30
			Youth Funding	80.00	
			Regional Championships	500.00	
			Young Rider Funding	300.00	
	<u>14635.19</u>	<u>21727.50</u>		<u>12737.85</u>	<u>21722.66</u>

	2019/20	2018/19
Income	14635.19	21727.50
Expenditure	12737.85	21722.66
Surplus	1897.34	4.84

Balance Sheet 2019/20

	2019/20	2018/19
Balance at 31st Aug 2019	32726.77	
Income	21935.19	29728.50
Expenditure	19751.63	28723.77
Surplus	2183.56	1004.73
Savings Account	30000.00	
Current A/C Balance at 1st Sept 2020	4910.33	
Reconciled Bank Balance	3978.95	

Eastern Cyclocross League

Year Ended 31st August 2020

Income	2019/20	2018/19	Expenses	2019/20	2018/19
League Registrations	7000.00	7601.00	Numbers	1716.34	1479.60
U12 Medals	300.00	400.00	U12 Medals	392.10	439.22
			Judging Team Expenses	3355.12	3342.44
			Commissaire Expenses	1202.25	1220.80
			U12 Trophies	261.97	150.00
			League Event Registrations	0.00	160.00
			Consumables	0.00	87.07
			BC Affiliation	74.00	74.00
			Internet Costs	12.00	47.98
	<u>7300.00</u>	<u>8001.00</u>		<u>7013.78</u>	<u>7001.11</u>

	2019/20	2018/19
Income	7300.00	8001.00
Expenditure	7013.78	7001.11
Surplus	286.22	999.89

5. Election of Officers

Position	Current	Proposed
Chair	Ian Poole	Ian Poole
Vice Chair	Steve Grimwood	Steve Grimwood
Secretary	Paul Moss	Paul Moss
Treasurer	Paul Moss	Paul Moss
Events Co-ordinator	Ian Poole	Ian Poole
League Co-ordinator	Dave Copland	Dave Copland
Rider Representatives		
1 male	Lee Rowling	Lee Rowling
1 female	Jo Newstead	Jo Newstead
Coaching & Rider Development Co-ordinator	Mark Wyer	Mark Wyer

Committee Members	Pete Whelan Daniel Doncaster Brian Allerton Jo Denny Ben Spashett	Pete Whelan Daniel Doncaster Brian Allerton Jo Denny Ben Spashett
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Elected en-bloc. Proposed Clive Tricker, Seconded Richard Stiff

6. Proposals

There have been no proposals for the forthcoming 2021/22 season

There were two comments thanking the committee for their efforts and no other questions

Thanks to Ian & Paul and all the committee for keeping things going.
Just want to say thank you for what you do. Daniel Jones V40.