

## **Minutes of CTC Devon meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2014**

Held at Kestor, Priory Road, Abbotskerswell. TQ12 5PP

### **Present**

Jean Brierly, Production Coordinator, Highwayman (JB)  
Graham Brodie, Publicity (GB)  
Kevin Presland, Welfare Officer (KP)  
Arnie Read, Trophy Secretary (AR)  
Roy Russell, Secretary CTC Devon and CTC Exeter (RR)  
Toby Sharp, Secretary CTC South Devon (TS)

### **Apologies**

Warren Douglas, Chairman CTC Devon (WD)  
Tom Dunn, Editor, Highwayman (TD)  
Pete Luxton, Coffee Pot organiser  
Geoff Sharpe, Events Secretary (GS)

## **Minutes of last meeting and Matters arising**

Minutes of last committee meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2014 agreed, subject to minor corrections. All matters arising are dealt with under the officers reports below.

### **Secretary's Report – Roy Russell**

The last few months have been a busy time with the usual events.

### **Treasurers Report – Julie Lang**

No Report.

New form for signatories for the TSB Current Account has been completed and GB has posted to JL.

### **Events – Geoff Sharpe**

Report sent in by GS:

*Details from all events that form part of this year's CTC Devon Tourist Competition have been sent to me bar one.*

*Despite repeated reminders I have been unable to get details of CTC Devon members who rode on the Devon Dirt event in May. Regrettably I have had to remove that event from this years competition and no points whatsoever will be awarded to those who competed or played a part in the organising of the event.*

*An up to date list of the points and positions in the Overall, Ladies and the two Team competitions has been sent to the editor and will appear in the next Highwayman along with a statement concerning the Devon Dirt (Also on website - RR).*

*Five events are left in this year competition, final round is the 100 miles in 8/10 hours on the 14th September and it is hoped to have all the winners names published in the Highwayman due out on 2nd October.*

*As the Mince Pie event was quite a success with over 40 members taking part last December it is down to be held again on Sunday 7th December. Is it worth considering holding a similar type of event on Easter Sunday and give out hot cross buns or Easter eggs at the finish? All agreed this is a good idea. Action: **GS***

KP reported the Dartmoor Ghost went well with 27 starting and 25 finishing. Repeat planned for 2015, although KP may be away and need to delegate.

## **Membership**

JB is receiving monthly membership lists from National Office. RR concerned about the large number of non-renewals including himself! **RR** to check with National Office.

## **Highwayman – Tom Dunn**

Report sent in by TD:

*Nothing to report, other than a polite reminder that photos submitted will be assumed to have been taken by the sender of the photo - if this is not the case, then the sender should please indicate who took the photo. This is to enable us to correctly allocate the 'best photo' prize each year. Also if any captions are required, then please also supply some suitable wording or the photo is likely to be printed without a caption - I can't always identify the people in the photo or the place!*

*The July/August Highwayman publishes next week, but the following Aug./Sept. issue will have a separate subscription renewal form, so the committee need to decide whether to leave the rates as they are or raise the price slightly. The production costs are unlikely to increase but postage costs have risen considerably. Jean has pre-purchased 1,000 stamps to help offset this. Jean to advise on how long it will be before these stamps are used up.*

JB circulated a projected budget sheet to the end of Sept 2014 showing a small profit of £65. As printing costs are expected to be similar for 2014/15 it was agreed to keep the existing rates. Photos for covers for 2014/15 required by mid-September.

## **Publicity – Graham Brodie**

GB manned stands at the Plymouth SkyRide and the opening of the Clennon Valley velopark. Borrowed Gazebo from Brett Nichole in Plymouth. RR also used it at the Velo Vintage event in Exmouth. Membership leaflets and other handouts were supplied by National Office. GB has prepared flyers for the Devon Delight and CTC Torbay. Articles have been printed by local papers about the Devon Dirt and Dartmoor Ghost. Active Facebook pages for CTC Devon and Exeter.

KP has a gazebo for use on events and GB has bought two plastic tables. RR has investigated costs of Gazebo similar to that borrowed from Brett Nichole. Typical costs for a sturdy 3m x 3m Gazebo are up to £1,000 including printing. Agreed this was too expensive. **GB** to investigate costs for new display stands.

Following discussion with GS, RR has investigated costs for hi-viz waistcoats with CTC logo, to hand out for marketing or for members to wear. Typical costs are about £5 for a sleeveless waistcoat to £12 with sleeves, depending on quantities. **RR** to contact **GS** to discuss further.

## **AGMs**

**RR** to book hall in Ashburton for Devon AGM on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Nominations to be sought for committee posts and discussed at next meeting.

**Secretaries** to arrange Section AGMs before this date (and after 15<sup>th</sup> October). **AR** to

contact Paul Harman to enquire about Torbay AGM.

## **Museum Tricycle**

RR has sent details to Moretonhampstead Motor Museum, but has received no reply.

**TS** to contact Exeter Museum to arrange collection of Tricycle and temporary storage pending a decision on loan or sale.

## **Group Reports**

### **Plymouth and South Dartmoor**

No reports.

### **Coffee Pots**

20-30 attending with about 50 total when BikeBus at same venue.

### **North Devon**

Paul Dixon has spoken to RR and decided to close the section due to age and low numbers. **KP** to consider writing historical article for Highwayman.

### **Exeter**

Rides continuing as normal with healthy numbers.

### **South Devon**

New member joined from Dartington.

Concern expressed that monthly Sunday rides are not sufficiently frequent to maintain interest. **RR** and **GB** to ask Exeter and Torbay runs coordinators to send TS details of coffee stops in South Devon that TS could add into the South Devon programme.

### **Torbay**

No report from Secretary who has moved to Exeter, but regularly attends Torbay rides.

Successful committee meeting arranged by RR on 28 April to discuss activities and recruitment. No further meetings organised.

Section is thriving with about 20 on Sunday and Thursday rides. 3 new members recently joined. Trips organised to North Devon by John Cooper and Normandy by Geoff Sharpe.

## **Trophy Secretary – Arnie Read**

**AR** to obtain local quote for engraving. In recent years trophies have been engraved by Jackie Rice in Okehampton, but this requires delivery of trophies to her. **KP** to pass last year's invoice to AR for comparison.

## **Any Other Business**

GB proposed a donation to Shelterbox in memory of Sharon Bridgman from Cadbury who was killed in Bolivia on her round the world tour. Regretably decided we can't donate CTC funds for non-cycling purposes, but OK to donate proceeds from events if this is made clear on the entry details.

## **Future Meetings:**

Wednesday 1st October – Stoke Canon

R Russell

Meeting closed 9pm