

## **Minutes of CTC Devon meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013**

Held at Laureston Lodge, Newton Abbot, Exeter

### **Present**

Jean Brierly, Production Coordinator, Highwayman (JB)  
Graham Brodie (part), Publicity (GB)  
Warren Douglas, CTC Devon Chairman (WD)  
Tom Dunn, Editor, Highwayman (TD)  
Julie Lang, Treasurer CTC Devon and Secretary CTC Plymouth (JL)  
Kevin Presland (part), Welfare Officer (KP)  
Roy Russell, Secretary CTC Devon and CTC Exeter (RR)  
Geoff Sharpe. Events Secretary (GS)

### **Apologies**

Pete Luxton, Coffee Pot organiser  
Toby Sharp, Secretary CTC South Devon

### **Absent**

Mike Jones, Secretary CTC South Dartmoor  
Paul Harman, Secretary CTC Torbay

### **Minutes of last meeting**

Minutes of last committee meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2013 agreed.

### **Matters arising from last Meeting**

**GB** to arrange for upgrade of trophy for Best Feature Article, with new picture frame and an area for engraving, before its next presentation.

**RR** to pass contact details for known Family CTC members to GB for future publicity for family rides.

**RR** has two pull-up publicity banners from National Office. He has asked, but failed to obtain details of other banners available from National Office.

**RR** has requested copies of Leaders Leaflet and will investigate possibility of arranging leader training locally.

Other matters arising are dealt with under the officers reports below.

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

Attended Member Groups Steering Group meeting in London on 11 June. These are held 3 times a year, but there were still a large number of actions outstanding from the last meeting I attended in July last year.

Posted a photo of a 1899 CTC ride to the CTC archive in Warwick University.

## Treasurers Report – Julie Lang

Transactions since last meeting:

	Credits £	Expenses £	Balance £
Balance at Apr 2013 brought fwd			9,453.27
Highwayman Covers printing		322.00	
CTC subs	521.33		
Tri Vets entries	195.00		
50 in 4 /Three Rivers - profit	28.60		
Further Devon Dirt entries	1,988.00		
Refunded Devon Dirt entry		15.00	
Big Peaks – Dirt shirts		1,837.50	
Devon Dirt expenses – A Saunders mileage/calls		15.50	
Devon Dirt expenses – Arrows/water casks		20.00	
Devon Dirt expenses – Food, Country Kitchen		659.00	
Devon Dirt expenses – donation Dartmoor Park		350.00	
Star Rides expenses Ply – mileage/parking		109.30	
Balance at July 2013			8,857.90

Roy has banked further entry fees for TriVets directly to the Devon account which will show on next statement. He has submitted a final account and requested a cheque for £339 as profit/donation to The Alzheimers Society.

Options to open savings account to take £5,000 out of current account were discussed. Lloyds TSB offered an account with a minimal interest rate that had no practical advantage over leaving money in Current Account. GS suggested a personal savings account be opened in the name of two committee members, but this was not pursued due to the risks involved. **All** to investigate options for Charity Account.

**JL** to circulate mandate to update signatures for current account.

### Events

Star Rides went well with plenty of helpers and leaders, inspite of lack of publicity from Teignbridge DC beforehand. KP sent report afterwards to National Office, but no reply.

Devon Delight and Torplex results awaited from **GB**

RR was concerned about possible shortage of helpers on registration for Coast to Coast audax, although enough turned up on the day. KP was also concerned about shortage of helpers, but enough turned up at last minute. Request for help at events to be raised at AGM by **RR**

GS suggested helpers should get 5 points and organisers 10 points. All agreed.

Awards to be presented at AGM or next years Devon anniversary ride. **KP** to ask for return of awards early. Agreed to award cycle shop vouchers for £30 to winners of points competition.

GS planning 50km audax on Sunday 8 December from Newton Abbot.

Events leaflet for 2014 to be published in January. Leaflet to include Dartmoor Devil, although points from this event will count towards 2015 competition.

### **Membership**

JB is receiving monthly membership lists from National Office and handed out list of new and lapsed members.

**RR** to consider sending email to non-renewals to remind them.

### **Highwayman**

Next edition due out next week. This is penultimate edition this year so will need to agree subscription rates for next year. **KP** and **GB** to look for more photos suitable for covers.

**RR** to ask National Office how many CTC magazines are still printed.

### **Publicity**

GS organised a stand at the Tour Series at Torre Meadows and borrowed CTC gazebo and flags from Brett Nichole in Plymouth. **RR** purchased 500 CTC water bottles for publicity and we gave 100 of these away.

JL organised stand at Plymouth SkyRide.

Difficult to recruit sufficient members to man stands. We had opportunities for stands at the Dartmoor Classic and the TransManche opening at Tavistock, but unable to raise sufficient volunteers.

**RR** organising photo opportunity next week when report of Road Justice Campaign is handed to Police and Crime Commissioner.

### **Group Reports**

Due to time constraints decided to postpone to next meeting. Reports received before the meeting included as appendix to these minutes.

### **Any Other Business**

Dates for AGMs: Devon is Sunday 3 November in Ashburton. Exeter is Tuesday 22 October in Aylesbeare. Dates for other section AGMs still awaited from **Secretaries**.

**RR** believed CTC Devon is entitled to free YHA group membership and will pursue this.

### **Future Meetings:**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at Stoke Canon

AGM Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at Ashburton

R Russell

## **Appendix - Group Reports**

Not given at meeting but included in Minutes for information.

### **Plymouth Report**

Since the last meeting..... we supported Kevin in his Star Rides event which was a great success, helped by a lovely sunny day and I can say I thought we had a lovely group of guest riders who were very obedient! None of the guests returned from Forde House with us which gave us scope to relax on our route home, and being the local expert Andy Endicott guided us back a different route as far as Staverton.

Recently we had the company of two guest riders! And, a ride planned in August for a visiting member from South Bucks who contacted me back in the winter and has recently confirmed he will be joining us for a ride as arranged.

With the organisational help of Brett Nicholle, Plymouth CTC Development Officer, I manned a stand (which he helped me to erect/dismantle also) in Central Park for the Sky Ride event on 12 May. A long day in inclement weather! However, so far it doesn't seem to have produced any new members, or even new trial riders. A few of our older members came to check out the stand briefly, an Exeter member made himself known to me but didn't give me his name! and Kate and Graham Brodie appeared in the afternoon and gave me some much needed support when I was beginning to flag.

A few members have taken part in a couple of the recent Audaxes – Coast and Back and Devon Delight.

Four of our group have toured Germany for a fortnight in June. Two of them taking their bikes and two hiring locally, to ease transport issues.

Finally, I am having the devil's own job in getting leaders to do their fair share of leading and submitting a ride for publication. Maybe I need to change tactics?

### **South Devon Report**

Alternative start venues have proven popular with existing members and have opened up some new and interesting routes. There have been enquires resulting from the new start venues though, as yet, no actual cyclists.

Four of us have just returned from a thoroughly enjoyable weekend cycle camping in Brittany which we will try to build upon next year.