

**MINUTES OF THE 11<sup>TH</sup> NORTH WEST REGION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE NATIONAL CYCLING CENTRE,  
MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

- **Present:** A Barry (Chair),  
I Armstrong (Regional Comp Administor) B Bowes (New Brighton CC) T Buckle (NW Talent Development Coach) J Court (Stockport Community CC) W Cull (New Brighton CC F Daniels (Ellan Vannin CC) P Deary ABC Centreville, T Greep ( PM) J Gretton (Regional Event Officer) P Hey (West Pennine CC) J Higham Stockport 2006 CSCB Jump (New Brighton CC), C Lawrenson (Press & Media), C Leigh (Administrator) G Newcombe (Herbalife) D Povall (Treas) A Roper(Clayton Velo), A Scoular (NW Youth Development) I Small (Zodiac CC) T Sweeney (Lune RCC),I Walker (Preston CC) B Warriner (Coaching Develop))

1. **Apologies received:** ) Brian Cookson (President BC) Barrow Central Whlrs, Chester RC Manchester Whlrs, Sportcity Velo,

2. **Minutes of 2010 AGM** – The minutes of the AGM held on 20th September 2010 having been previously circulated were taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record. Proposed by Beryl Bowes and seconded by Carl Lawrenson.

3. **Matters arising from the minutes** – None

4. **Officials reports** –

Chairman’s report – Tony Barry thanked all the Regions Board members for their work for the Region during the past year he said he felt proud to be a part of such a successful and hard working region.

Administrator – Carole Leigh presented her report as circulated, she jokingly added that the Region should apply to be a country in its own right after overtaking Scotland in the membership ranks. Our end of year membership total was up 30% on 2010 with 4781 members, interestingly 1200 of these were Ride members this being the fasted growing category of membership within British Cycling. Tony Sweeney asked the question as to the number of 4<sup>th</sup> category licence holders there were which was 550, it was felt that more could be done for entry level racing to give that particular category a more positive racing experience. Jenny Gretton (Regional Event Officer REO) advised that this was possible and would take it on board for 2012.

Treasurer’s report – Don Povall gave a résumé of the Regions accounts and the Annual Accounts for 2010 were accepted. He advised that the current financial situation of the Region was on a par from the previous year.

He thanked Tony Sweeney and Neil Walker for auditing the accounts.  
Proposed by Geoff Newcombe and seconded by Beryl Bowes.

Competition Administrator – Ivor Armstrong advised that the only item that he wished to be added to his report previously circulated was that the BC new database for event registrations was now functional and although this was a working progress a meeting was to be organised with organisers formerly known as “date fixing” to co-ordinate the 2012 racing calendar, this would enable the RCA and REO to demonstrate the new system and move forward to electronically register events, it would also enable the on-line entry system to be explained. .

Press & Media – Carl Lawrenson read his report as distributed. He re-iterated the work done to transfer to UHF radios within the region and advised that after being consulted and seeing the benefit of these radios, it had been agreed by British Cycling events department that they be used as oppose to CB radios Nationally.

Coaching –Barry Warriner presented his report. He stressed concern at the progress of riders from the cluster sessions, it was felt that this was not a matter for discussion at the AGM and would be discussed further art the next board meeting.

Regional Event Officer (REO) Jenny Gretton gave a resume of her report as circulated and reiterated the improvement in the new database and encouraged organisers to adopt the on line registration.

NW Talent Development Officer – Tim Buckle gave a résumé of his work over the past year.

Youth Development – Alex Scoular had nothing to add to his report as circulated.

All the Reports were accepted  
Proposed by Iain Walker and seconded by Bob Jump

#### **5. Election of Officers**

The Chair was passed to the Administrator who having only one nomination on the agenda paper formally re- elected Tony Barry to the position of Chair.

The officers nominated with only one nominee were elected en bloc

Proposed by I Walker Seconded by Alan Roper and agreed unanimously

The vacant position of Treasurer was discussed, this had purposely been left vacant as to give opportunity to anyone to stand for the post. There being no-one from the floor wishing to take on the position of Treasurer, Don Povall agreed to stand again.

Proposed by Iain Walker Seconded Tony Sweeney

The following members were elected into office to serve 2011/12

Administrator – Carole Leigh

Treasurer – Don Povall

Competition Administrator – Ivor Armstrong

Press & Media – Carl Lawrenson

Coaching Secretary – Barry Warriner .

The Chair thanked Tom Greep who had not seeked re-election for his many years service to both the Board and Region.

#### **6. Election of Committee members (6)**

The following members were elected:

Beryl Bowes, Wendy Cull, Frank Daniels, Peter Deary, Alan Roper and Iain Walker.

Proposed by Carl Lawrenson, seconded by Carole Leigh

#### **7. Election of Auditors**

Tony Sweeney and Neil Taylor were elected.

Proposed by Beryl Bowes and seconded by Bob Jump

#### **8. Election of National Councillors (12)**

The following were elected as National Councillors

Ivor Armstrong, Beryl Bowes, Wendy Cull, Frank Daniels, Peter Deary, Bob Jump, Carl Lawrenson, Carole Leigh, Don Povall, Alan Roper, Iain Walker and Barry Warriner,

Paul Evans and Len Woffinden were appointed reserves.

Proposed by Carl Lawrenson and seconded by Jim Court

#### **9. Nominations for President, Board and Appeals Panel**

The following nomination was accepted unanimously.

President – Brian Cookson

Appeals Panel – Don Povall

Proposed by Frank Daniels and seconded by Iain Walker

Agreed unanimously

#### **10. Propositions/ amendments to Byelaws**

Insert new byelaw 18

Organisers of road races, non-league closed circuit races and non-league track events shall pay expenses to appointed BC officials from the approved Race Officials list at a rate not less than the specified BC Technical Regulation 16. 13.2. Payment of a fee in addition to expenses shall be at the organisers discretion.

Proposed by Carl Lawrenson Seconded by Frank Daniels

Agreed unanimously

The Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting, reminded everyone of the Regional Council meeting to be held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 at 8pm and declared it closed at 9.30pm.