

Regional Board AGM report – Alex Scoular, Youth Development

Here is a report of the work that has happened in the North West Region between September 2008 and August 2009, with regards to Youth Development.

Club Development

There are now 13 Go-Ride Clubmark accredited clubs, and 13 Go-Ride Registered clubs. In addition, there are 11 other clubs working towards Go-Ride registration. These Go-Ride clubs are as follows:

Go-Ride Accredited Clubs
Ribble Valley Juniors
Mid-Lancs BMX
Preston Pirates BMX
New Brighton CC
Cheshire Ghostriders BMX
VC Cumbria
Border City Wheelers
Astley and Tyldesley Cycle Speedway Club
Mossley CRT
Eastlands Velo
Salt Ayre Cog Set
Liverpool Mercury
Bolton Hot Wheels CC
Go-Ride Registered clubs
Cycle Sport Pendle
Chester RC
Liverpool Century
Birkenhead North End
Red Rose Olympic
Wythenshawe Wheelers
Sport City Velo
Manchester Wheelers
Southport CC
Bury Cycle Speedway Club
Manchester BMX
Blackpool YCA
Stockport Cycle Speedway Club

Working towards Go-Ride Registration
Audlem CC
Rosendale CC
Gold Coast BMX
Clitheroe CC
Manchester Triathlon Club
Seamons CC (Altrincham)
Garstang CC
Ramsey BMX (Isle of Man)
Manx MTB club (Isle of Man)
Royal London 360 (Isle of Man)
Chorlton Velo

Go-Ride coaches

The Go-Ride coaches currently in place in the region are:

- Tom Hodgkinson – Manchester area
- Sam Foakes – Manchester (BMX project)
- Dylan Clayton – Preston area
- Tom Leivers – Blackpool area
- Shona Mclean - Cumbria
- Simon Wilson – Lancashire and Merseyside

The Go-Ride coaches work in schools and holiday schemes, in order to help develop the BC Go-Ride clubs in their areas.

Tim Buckle is now the Talent Development Coach for the NW region, being appointed in August 2009.

Facilities

The projects that have been worked on during the last year are:

Crewe BMX track - Re-development at the track, it is now in use for coaching and Regional events.

Ashton-under-Lyne – 1km road circuit at Richmond Park. If this goes to plan it will be built and ready to use by Spring 2010.

Blackpool – There were plans for a 1km road circuit. However, due to various difficulties this will not happen before April 2010 at the earliest.

Funding for Velodrome sessions

I would like to thank the Regional Board for their help with funding for the 4 youth coaching sessions held at the Velodrome. There were 4 sessions in total, held in November 2008 and May 2009, with riders from all over the region in attendance and benefitting from the subsidy.

I would also like to thank Barry Warriner from the Regional Board for setting these sessions up, as well as Tim Buckle, Peter Deary, Brian Barton and Tom Hodgkinson who coached at the sessions.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the AGM due to being on leave. However, should anyone from the region have any questions regarding my report, please can you direct them to me before Monday September 21st.

Alex Scoular – September 2009