



Yorkshire Rose Cycling Club

AGM minutes Thursday 26th April 2018.

The meeting was opened and chaired by Jackie Kirkman, commencing at 7:15pm 26th April 2018.

1) Apologies for absence

Andrea Bradshaw, Rev Rach Ward, Angela Sanders, Tracey Bradburn, Delia Watts, Ruth Snelson, Bev Atkin, Anne Hodgkins, Anna Muncaster, Chrissie Jones.

2) Attendees

Jackie Kirkman, Clare Froggatt, Rachel O'Leary, Lisa Lambert, Joanne Lewis, Nicola Heaton, Fran McLean, Sharon Ward, Liz Wensley, Ros Syed, Ellen Dhawan, Jo Abbott, Judith Richards, Sharon Stone, Paula Edwards, Ros Savage.

3) Welcome / Introduction Jackie Kirkman (Chair)

4) Chairs Report: Jackie Kirkman (Chair)

"I'd like to welcome you all to the 2nd Annual General Meeting of Yorkshire Rose CC. Thank you for your attendance. It has been another fantastic year for the Club and I feel incredibly proud and privileged to be a part of it. It was a conversation at a Giant Sheffield Store event a couple of years or so ago now that led to the setting up of Yorkshire Rose Cycling Club. At the time we could never have envisaged that the Club would be where it is today. Grateful thanks to Andy Liversage and all the Team at the Giant Store Sheffield for their continued support and encouragement throughout the year. Particular thanks to Lisa for all her efforts in recruiting new members. We have a current membership of 91, a substantial increase from this time last year, and I am certain that as the season unfolds, the days get longer and the weather becomes warmer, we can look forward to continued growth and development. I am sure that by the end of the year membership will have increased to over 100 which is a great achievement. Yorkshire Rose CC is now firmly established and has a strong presence within the Sheffield cycling community and has built a reputation for being a very friendly, supportive, and accessible club which was always our aim.

The Team of Trustees, Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, has grown this year to include a Welfare Officer, 2 Ride Coordinators and a Kit Secretary and we are looking to expand the committee further to enable more members to be actively involved in the running of the club. This would also assist in spreading the workload of our key roles. I would like to extend my thanks to

Clare, Rachel and Tracey, Fran and Angela, Lisa, Sharon.

for all their hard work throughout the year, to the ride leaders who have initiated such a wide variety of rides and most of all to all the members who bring a wealth of experience and enjoyment to each ride."

3) Committee report: Clare Froggatt (Secretary)

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“We have had another successful year growing to 89 members and have some interest for more potential members so we are doing well and the club is certainly a sum of it’s members and volunteers, something I am very proud of since forming the club 2 years ago with Jackie over a conversation at a Giant Sheffield.

Our regular monthly meetings continue to be varied and well received as do our rides, if any members have any feedback or suggestions then please pass them on to any committee member.

On the subject of membership, we continue to grow on a word of mouth basis, most potential new members contact us via our public Facebook page or by email, where we respond normally within a couple of hours.

Our website is developing and going to feature more news and regular updates and a gallery of images is being put together to show off all our activities – pictures speak louder than words.

The committee is also growing and we are expanding roles and splitting some of the more labour-intensive roles down with the main one being my role, after this AGM the Membership and Marketing (including the website maintenance and member communications) which I hope to continue with your backing will be split for the club secretary role.

In recent month’s we have introduced email notifications so ensure all our members are informed about key going’s on in the club, this has proved quite successful and does not rely totally on members interacting with our Facebook members group. In order to comply with GDPR (The new data protection regulation that comes into law on 25th May) none of our members data is held outside of the British Cycling Club manager portal that we all used to sign up when joining the club, you as individuals are in control of your details that are held there.”

4) Financial report: Rachel O’Leary (Treasurer)

“Financial report to the Yorkshire Rose Cycle Club AGM 26th April 2018
For the accounts ending 31st March 2018

As Yorkshire Rose completes its 2nd full financial year, I have pleasure in presenting the accounts for the period up to 31st April 2018 (page 2 of this report)

Membership is still growing, and makes up the highest income that is not linked to automatic expenditure (like kit, clothing and many events). The income from Membership has so far covered meeting, social, coaching and events costs alongside costs of web hosting, membership and ID cards etc. and will allow us to plan for growth for the next financial year.

Kit and clothing orders have seen a slight fall (despite Jackie’s best efforts), as the first flush of members wanting to invest in the kit has settled down. We deliberately minimised profit on kit for the first two years to allow members to enjoy best value, so the slight drop in income has not affected the overall financial health of the club.

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Our support of Roundabout has been a new venture for the club, and we will be presenting the final cheque for £90 to them in the coming weeks. The total raised by you for this charity has been outstanding. Thank you for making this important addition to the life of our club so successful. Especial thanks for Delia for getting the fundraising off to a hilarious start at the club birthday raffle, for Fran who raised a magnificent amount on her epic sponsored ride and to Andrea who created the very successful recipe book. We look forward to making strong relationships with another local charity during 2017-18.

We are grateful for our sponsors The Giant Store Sheffield for continuing to support us by paying our British Cycling Membership again this year as they have done since our set up in 2016, offering club members 10% discount, and by making premises available for meetings and a other initiatives offered to our members.

It has been a great privilege to be part of the Committee of this wonderful Cycling Club and I would like to thank the Trustees and Members for their trust in me to undertake this position. It has been such a pleasure working alongside the YRCC members and committee. I would especially like to thank Tracey Bradburn who has worked alongside me this year, supporting the day to day running of the accounts and who has agreed to stand for Treasurer. I know that if her position is confirmed tonight then the club remains in good hands.

With warmest wishes
Rachel O'Leary, Treasurer

Income 2016/17	income 2017/18	
£5649	1591	Kit
£795	1050	Membership
£552	737	Events
£356	111	Clothing
£376	105	Other (Donation, Sponsorship, BC
Membership etc)		
£7728	3594	Total Income
Expenditure		
£5043	1817	Kit (payment for latest order due in April)
£298	139	Membership costs (British Cycling)
£605	739	Events (Arena, coaching, meetings, etc)
£303	223	Clothing
£316	404	Other (Business and members cards, IT etc)
£6565	3322	Total Expenditure

£1161 opening balance as at 1st April 2017
£1557 closing balance as at 31st March 2018

(further payment due on kit delivery May 2018 and £90 balance to Roundabout charity as final donation)

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Charity income 2017/18	
First Birthday Party Raffle	£290 (plus a further £31 for the gin raffle)
Sponsored ride	£790
Recipe book	£90
Total raised for Roundabout	£1,201"

5) Ride Co-Ordinators report: Angela Sanders and Fran McLean (Ride Co-ordinators)

“Overview

YRCC has offered a regular schedule of weekend rides on both Saturday and Sundays. In 2016-17 the ride format was Saturday rides being steadier paced and Sunday rides at a faster and longer pace. This was reviewed in September 2017 and more rides were offered across the weekend with clearer descriptions about the type of ride. The club has a mix of riders with those who are new to cycling in a group, some who want to cycle occasionally and some experienced and regular cyclists. The challenge is how to ride together as a group when there can be a range of abilities on a ride.

Ride Leaders Meeting

On the 18 September 2017 a ride leaders' meeting was held for members of the club who were either already leading rides or wanted to lead future rides. This was attended by 14 members with apologies from four members. The focus of the meeting was to discuss how to develop the rides to meet the varying needs of the members. The consensus of the meeting was to continue to offer a quarterly schedule of rides; to provide clear guidance on the ride types (including speed and hilliness) and to offer a mixture of ride types across Saturday and Sunday with extra easier rides to encourage the club to grow. There was acknowledgement of the need to develop group riding skills. The result of the meeting was to develop ride leaders guidelines and these were published on the Facebook group and the YRCC website. In addition, the group agreed to find out about group riding skills opportunities from a local coach.

Ride Categories

There are three categories of YRCC rides:

Easy/Green: Suitable for irregular or social riders. Pace will match the slower riders. Expect rides of up to 2 – 3 hours of gentle exercise. 10 – 35 miles at an average speed of 8 – 10 mph. Up to 1,500 feet of climbing.

Moderate/Amber: Suitable for regular riders who prefer to cover some distance but at a more relaxed pace. The rides are half-day rides; solid exercise. 30 – 55 miles at an average speed of 9 – 11mph. Up to 3,750 feet of elevation gain.

Challenging/Red: Suitable for experienced riders. These rides may be hilly, long, quick, or any combination! The rider are half-day rides and possibly longer in summer; Challenging exercise. 35 – 65 miles at an average speed of 11-13mph. Up to 6,000 feet of elevation gain.

All rides include at least one café stop, more at the discretion of the ride leader

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Yorkshire Rose Cycling Club supports Breeze Rides for Women; British cycling's initiative to get more women on bikes. Some of our Green Rides are run as Breeze Rides by club members who are Breeze qualified ride-leaders

Group riding

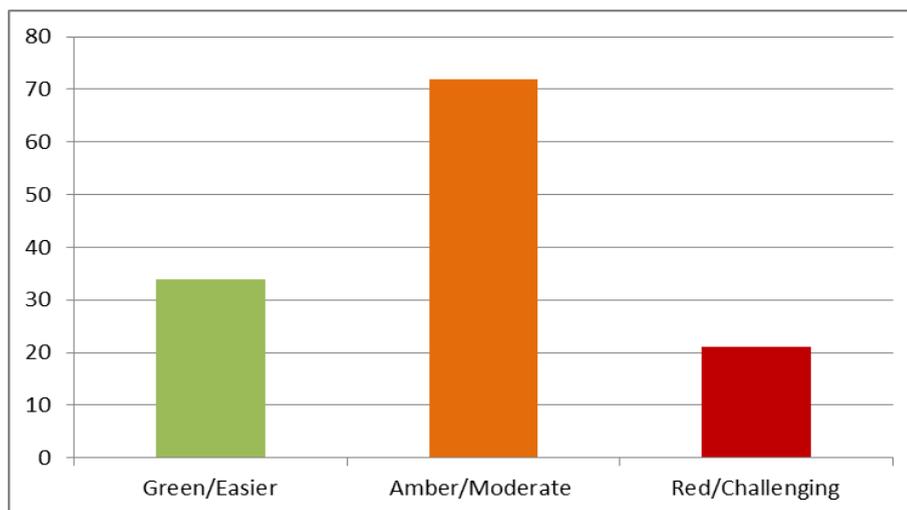
We regularly have new riders and a mixture of abilities and for some the pace is too slow and for others it can be too fast. Our group ethos has always been and remains that we do not leave people behind. We had one incident on a ride where we did leave a rider behind. The golden rule for all riders is that you are responsible for the cyclists behind you, and (if possible) to let those in front know if there are problems behind.

We need to make more effort as a body to pass on cycling lore and group riding skills to newcomers. We encourage all riders that if you are talking to a new rider, please take the time to explain "car up", "car down", singling out etc. We assure you that they will appreciate it. We have produced guides for riders and details about hand signals and these are on the YRCC website and Facebook page (Files)

We arranged two sessions at the Forge Valley Cycle Circuit. The first evening was very wet and attended by 6 members with a British cycling coach. The second session was very sunny and attended by 12 members and no cycling coach and instead practicing from the first session. It is clear that we can continue to learn and work on our group riding skills. We would encourage all members to be familiar with the riders' guidelines.

Ride Schedule

The club offers an impressive schedule of rides. The YRCC calendar records that between the 1 April 2017 and 22 April 2018 there were a total of 126 rides offered.



The majority of YRCC rides are Amber/moderate (72), followed by Green/Easier rides (34) and Red/Challenging rides (21). These are the number of rides offered and this does not include rides cancelled due to bad weather.

The rides are well attended and it is rare for no one to turn up for a ride but unfortunately this has happened. We do not keep a record of how many people attend the rides and this is something that we would like to do this coming year. We need to continue to monitor the

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ride schedule to ensure we are offering rides for members and we welcome members' feedback on this.

Ride Leaders

There are 14 members of the club who volunteer to lead rides. The ride leaders devise a route and support other members of the club to become knowledgeable and experienced to ride safely in a group.

A big thank you to all of those who have led this year, we have had some excellent rides. Angela Sanders and Fran McLean 25 April 2018

6) Election of committee

- **Chair:** Jackie Kirkman voted in.
- **Secretary:** Joanne Lewis voted in.
- **Treasurer:** Tracey Bradburn voted in.
- **Welfare Officer:** Sharon Ward voted in.
- **Membership, Marketing & Communications Officer:** Clare Froggatt voted in.
- **Rides Co-ordinators:** Angela Sanders and Fran McLean voted in.
- **Kit Officer:** Lisa Lambert voted in.
- **Charity Co-ordinator:** Jo Abbott voted in.
- **Events/Social Organiser:** Delia Watts voted in.
- **Committee support Officers:**

Rachel O'Leary – Marketing and Communications Support
Anne Cooper – Marketing and Communications Support
Ellen Dhawan – Kit Support and Marketing Support
Ruth Snelson – Events/Social Organiser Support

7) AOB

- It was unanimously agreed that St Wilfrids Centre would be adopted as the Club Charity for 2018-2019.

- Lisa Lambert suggested that a programme of cycling supportive activities such as yoga and pilates could be held at Giant Sheffield during the winter months. It was agreed that these sessions would be a good idea. Liz Wensley to liaise with contacts within the pilates/yoga profession to see what could be arranged.

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- A question was asked as to the level of insurance cover we have as a club and or British Cycling member. Clare Froggatt tasked to look into and disseminate to members.
- Ros Syed asked if a friend travelling from overseas could have 'guest membership' for 4 months, it was suggested they can either join in full for the £15+ £1 British Cycling admin fee or they could donate the membership fee to the clubs sponsored charity.
- Ride leader training with supported funding from the club was raised. Jo Abbott and Sharon Ward agreed to look into this.
- Next monthly meeting Thursday 31st May, suggested venue St Wilf's with potential speaker Les Dike, Physiotherapist and or a session on Strava / Garmin.
- Paula suggested some of the club's funds be appropriated to fund sportive or event places drawn on a pool basis. Members were supportive of this suggestion and consideration would be given as to which events to target.
- Sharon Ward asked for support from members to help man a Club stand at Forge Valley at the Ride for Eric event 20th May 2018 - <http://www.rideforeric.com> . If you can help please wear your club kit.
- Sharon Ward suggested the new committee have profile pictures and roles on the club website. There wasn't any objection to this but photographs need to be arranged or gathered – An action point to be followed up.
- Clare is setting up a committee communications channel, Facebook Messenger.
- Clare to set up new email accounts or forwarders for new committee members and add new committee members to the group email account
- Clare is working on a communications plan, pull up banner and new club promotional leaflet to use at events like Ride for Eric and in the Giant Sheffield store.

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