

Calderdale Triathlon Club AGM 2021

31 January 2022
Via Zoom

Minutes

1. The Chairman (Graham Plews) made introductions. Present were Andy Barton, Stuart Blagbrough, Fiona Christian, Simon Fox, Douglas Gurr, Paul Howard, Bill Johnson, Anne Johnson, Thomas Jones, Andy Lynex, Lucy Makinson, Neil Pilling, Graham Plews, Dexter Wright and Laura Wright.
2. The Minutes of the 2021 AGM were confirmed. On the actions from the last meeting:
 - Graham Plews would publicise information about gravel rides, in case club members were interested;
 - the Chairman will follow up with Andy Barton about updating the website.
3. Finances: Douglas Gurr, Treasurer, presented the accounts for 2021 and proposed a budget for 2022. The accounts were agreed, and subscriptions set at £10 again for 2022. Given the club's financial cushion of around £3000, it was agreed that the club could afford to spend up to £1000 on items to support members, such as a kit subsidy or race entries.
 - Action: suggestions to Douglas Gurr
4. Membership: Anne Johnson reported that there were 42 paid-up members for 2021, a record (at least in recent years). Members congratulated Anne on her excellent recruitment and chasing subs.
5. Affiliations: the meeting confirmed reaffiliation to Cycling Time Trials and Triathlon England for 2022.
6. Lucy Makinson, Secretary, gave a brief review of 2021: see separate report. Members had taken advantage of the shortened triathlon window with entries in Day in the Lakes, English Tri Champs, Leeds, The Outlaw, IM Bolton, and IM Barcelona. Many members had impressed with new athletic achievements in wild-water swimming, aquathlon, Time Trials, cycling events, long distance running, and more. Again, thanks go to Chris Jones and Simon Fox for organising and doing the background paperwork to allow Saturday club rides to continue during Covid restrictions.
 - Action: Andy Barton to set up a Gallery 2021 page on the website
 - All to send to Andy Barton a photo and one-line caption of an event (or several events) for him to create a gallery of 2021.
7. For 2022, the meeting agreed to continue Saturday rides, as now. The meeting agreed to establish a monthly ride on a Sunday for beginners and less confident club

members. Rather than expect the same person to organise it every time, it was agreed to trial a member-led approach in which volunteers would offer to lead a ride. The meeting also agreed to coordinate race entries to get critical mass for club participation in a couple of events, and to participate in club relays, if they go ahead.

Actions:

- Sunday beginners' ride once a month. We need a volunteer for the first one!
- Andy Barton to set up a race diary on the website (with links to the club facebook page) so that members can share race plans and entries.
- All – to send 2022 race plans and ideas to Andy Barton for the race diary

8. Kit: orders to Simon Fox.

8. The meeting re-elected as officers of the club:

Chairman: Graham Plews

Vice-chair and kit: Simon Fox

Membership: Anne Johnson

Treasurer: Doug Gurr

Welfare: Stuart Blagbrough

Secretary: Lucy Makinson

Website: Andy Barton

Communications: Laura Wright

No other nominations were received.

9. Club awards:

- Best Female athlete: Caroline Fox for her performances in the Day in the Lakes Triathlon (6th in category), Breca Loch Lomond aquathlon (10th in mixed pairs), and Coniston 5.25 mile ChillSwim;
- Best Male athlete: Graham Plews for his performances in the Day in the Lakes Triathlon (1st in category), and English Triathlon Champs (2nd in cat.);
- Most improved: Craig Barker, for his performances in the Outlaw and Ironman Bolton;
- Chairman's Award: the Johnson family, Anne for the Marmotte Granfondo followed by the Fred Whitton two weeks later, and Bill for completing the Spine long distance race;
- Fickle Finger of Fate: Simon Fox for going the wrong way on Day in the Lakes, and locking the bikes on the club ride in a manner not to the Chairman's satisfaction.

Lucy Makinson
Club Secretary

7 Feb 2022. Final.