

MCS Committee Meeting Minutes – 15 Jan 2025

Members Present:

SF, EM, JD, MT, GS, LH, JP

Apologies:

LD, DM

Matters arising from last meeting

- None

Safeguarding

- No issues reported.
- Mike highlighted Track & Racing as potential risk areas to monitor. For information relates to juniors partaking in events where seniors will be attending.

Membership

- **Total Active Members:** 252
 - Junior: 5
 - Senior: 149
 - Under 12: 73
 - Youth: 17
 - Unknown: 8
- **Actions:**
 - Jess to send membership mail out imminently.
 - Follow up with non-renewals. Members of committee to help support the chase up.



Club Finances

- Current balance: £15k. FYI additional payment of £5,000 for the pump track investment is still to be made.

Race Bursary

- Agreed to increase bursary to £250.
- Total: 10 bursaries @ £250.

Races & Events

- **Free XC Race Entry:**
 - Any MCS club members can claim race entry fee for free in 1st XC event of 2025 season.
 - Expected reduction in club income: £200-£300.
- **Local Races:**
 - Promote local races on the MCS website calendar.
- **CX League:**
 - Malachi confirmed for standard bursary.
 - **Peachley Leisure Venue:**
 - Other venue - £2 rider fee, £5 parking?
 - Ed to assess the venue with Rob.
 - Create a CX sub-committee (Rob not organizing this year).
 - Run early in the season.
 - Last year's format with Stourbridge can be repeated.
 - Alternative venue: Top Barn.

Kit & Clothing

- Options for old kit:
 - Write off over 3 years and give it away.
- Junior/racing tops: Consider Troy Lee or Fox jerseys with MCS logo.
- Lawrence to check BC requirements on the kit. LH RESPONSE: BC requirements for club kit on cross, track and road races is that we can only register one kit design per

year - that kit must then be worn for all disciplines. So as we said, doing a limited run or edition for road rides isn't going to be a problem. However, if we were to remove the white part of the design for cx etc that would need a BC update.

Equipment & Resources

- Club lights:
 - Keep at the shop.
 - Manage bookings via the website.
 - Purchase 4 new sets.
- Promote MTB night leadership course in the club.
- **RideWithGPS Account:**
 - Lawrence to manage setup.
 - Add TT and reliability ride routes.

Training & Development

- Club first aid course:
 - Tailor to cycling environments and hazards.
 - Contact Martin from Borderlands.
- Suggest circuits evening:
 - Jez to contact Ben Essenhoff/Di Hall for coaching.

Social Events

- Summer Social: Plan for June/July.
- Ideas:
 - Pop-up café -with circa 3 or 4 25 mile loops. Use the cafe as the hub for tea/cake finish with an afternoon BBQ.
 - Road ride to Hop Shed for beers & food.

- Chain gang chip night.
- **Paris-Roubaix Viewing:**
 - At Brewers Arms, Sunday 13th April.
 - Pre-event ride to be organized.
- Mike to promote social events, including "Battle on the Beach."

Other Activities

- Swimming classes at Splash and virtual riding with Malvern Active.
- Consider a velodrome trip soon. All dates on Fridays 8-10pm are free. Jess to confirm coach availability.

Junior Coaching & XC Races

- Incorporate coaching into XC races.
- Explore using one XC race as gravel bike-friendly.
- September XC race: Plan for the first weekend after school returns.

Upcoming Events

- **TT Series & Reliability Rides:**
 - Feb 16th Reliability Ride: 9-11am sign-on and help out.
- **Intro Rides:**
 - Start in April (Sundays).
 - Organize new groups and promote on Malvern websites.