

MINUTES OF RRND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 12 JANUARY 2011

Present

Dave Charman, Debbie Don, Danny Haste, Eric Clarke, Malcolm Coles, Richard Coles, Stuart Read.

Apologies for Absence

Carol Dark, Jo Jenkins, Pete Jenkins, Rob Edwards

Minutes of Last Meeting held 8 December 2010

Circulated by Richard Coles & approved.

Matters Arising

None

Secretary's Report

Sent via e mail:

I am going to see Jo next week to make sure everything is up to date and I need to give her some cheques. The AMCA advised me of Clerk of Course seminars but they are in Staffordshire so we can forget those and I will look out for another with the ACU.

I had a call then e-mail from a man making a programme about rockers in the 1960s which I will forward on. It could only apply to our older members so maybe it could be sent out or included in the next newsletter!

Treasurer's Report

Sent via e mail:

Trial 22/8/10 Till Hill training trial - AMCA have sent authorisation/declaration but are not chasing paperwork shall I ignore? (*RC subsequently confirmed although paperwork was done, no trial was run this month*).

Trial 21/11/10 Till Hill training trial - have no signing on paperwork for this one. (*RC subsequently confirmed no formal trial was run this month – only 3 people attended and it was treated as a practice session*).

AMCA have put up insurance prices to Adult £3.70 Youth £2.80 per event.

Eric have sent Blacklands a chq for trial 28th Nov.

Carol will pick up affiliation chqs for the ACU & BMF from me this week.

Balances are current a/c £153.16 tracker a/c £12643.75.

Editor's Report

Debbie advised some technical glitches meant that this months edition of E News was a little late, and had to split into two documents – hopefully normal service has now been resumed!

Very light on articles again this month, so Debbie had to press gang Colin into producing articles again at the last minute.

Debbie has drawn up a list of dates for Club, South Coast and Star Group events and has sent this to Bruce for the website.

Membership Secretary's Report

Not present but Rob advised that only 31 members have so far rejoined for 2011.

Competition Secretary's Report

Eric advised that himself, Rob Edwards and his boys, and another Club member have volunteered to lay out at Shamley Green on 16 January.

Social Secretary's Report

Not present.

Training Trials

Richard advised these will go ahead as planned, even though he and Malcolm may not be able to run as many of them as in previous years, as Rob Edwards has agreed to organise those Richard & Malcolm cannot attend.

Any Other Business

1. Richard advised an e mail had been received from a Club member, Alan Stanley, about the problems we are experiencing obtaining volunteers to lay out and help at trials. He suggested a method whereby teams are allocated at signing on, consisting of different levels of riders, who then go and layout a section(s) and practice, encouraging the less able riders, before the trial starts proper. The Committee thought this was an interesting idea, and may encourage more participation and better interaction between members. Richard will go back to Alan to find out exactly how this was operated at his previous Club, and will report back to the Committee accordingly.
2. Trials venues for 2011. Due to Eric standing down as Competition Secretary, events from April onwards have not yet been booked for 2011. Richard will put together a list of possible venues for each month, to be discussed/agreed at next Committee meeting. It was agreed that the RRND South Coast round in August would be held at Sparticles Wood and the Star Group round in December would be held at Ockley (if land owners permission is given).
3. Debbie was asked to find out if Jo has progressed the organising of the Committee meal.

4. The AGM was discussed, and a date of Thursday 18 February was agreed. This will be held at the Home Cottage PH in the function room, and a buffet will be arranged. Debbie will send out a Notice to Members accordingly, and ask for nominations for the Clubman's Cup.
5. Committee composition – Richard asked all present whether they would be standing for re-election at the AGM, and all agreed (with the exception of Eric who has already decided to stand down), that they would do so.

It was agreed to ask Rob McKenzie whether he would consider serving on the Committee, and whether he would like to take over the Competition Secretary role.

It was also agreed to ask Colin Don whether he would consider serving on the Committee.

Richard is to check the Club's Constitution to see whether more than 11 people can be on the Committee (it is thought it currently says there have to be 11, but unsure whether this is just a minimum). If not, then it may need to be amended accordingly, and voted on at the AGM.

In the absence of anyone coming forward/agreeing to take over from Eric as Competition Secretary, Malcolm agreed he would do the admin side (with help from Richard), but due to enduro commitments, he will not be committing to laying out trials etc. This system will only work if members actively support the Club and volunteer to lay out and assist at trials – if no volunteers are received to lay out a particular route, then it may be that route will not be run at that event. The Committee accepted that this may have to happen.

Stuart Read volunteered to produce an article for the E News about the positive aspects of being involved and laying out and assisting at trials, in an attempt to encourage more members to come forward.

6. Camping Weekend 2011 – Debbie was asked to confirm with Jo whether the land has been booked for this year's event. Eric advised he had received information from Blacklands Farm about camping at that venue, including (if required) toilet and shower blocks, and hire of equipment and supervision by instructors. The Committee agreed it was something to bear in mind if it were not possible to use Roy's land for any reason.
7. Richard asked if all trophies could be passed to him / Pete Jenkins asap, so these can be engraved ready for this year's awards at the AGM.
8. Danny agreed to produce an article for Debbie about his recent ride in a long distance trial.
9. Venue for future Club nights & Committee meetings – the Home Cottage PH is shortly to undergo a refurbishment, so it was agreed that we will continue to hold meetings there for the time being.
10. Subsequent to the meeting, Richard proposed that the Committee Cup should this year be awarded to Mike Hammond. As a fairly recent new member, Mike has been

evry active in assisting at events during 2010. To be discussed/agreed at next Committee meeting.

Next Meeting – Wednesday 2 February at Home Cottage PH, Redhill. ***Can all Committee members please attend, as with the AGM coming up, there is much to discuss & agree. If this date is a problem for anyone could they please advise Debbie asap***