# Ridgeway Riders Cycling Club AGM Minutes 11-11-2017

## 1. Members Present

Simon Gormon, Peter Mckernan, Daniel Bates, Gary Batchelor, Jay Laker, Keith Ellis, Kim Ellis, Chris Jones, Dana Milverton, Scott Ditton, Daniel Mallon, Jon Laker, Lotte Norris, Mark Rodgers, Justin Butler, Karl Watson, Martyn Hepworth, Iain Kitching, Nathan Bennett, Col Thorne, Chris May, James Sharpe.

#### 2. Apologies

Steve Wash, Darren Pocock and a few others who I cant remember!

#### 3. Introductions and Welcome

Karl Watson (General Secretary), Simon Gorman (Chairman), Mark Rodgers (Treasurer)

#### 4. Minutes form last AGM

None. (It was our first ever AGM!)

## 5. Treasurers Report

	Credit	Debit
January	£0.00	£0.00
February	£290.00	£0.00
March	£0.01	£223.31
April	£70.00	£21.95
May	£50.00	£13.17
June	£80.00	£26.34
July	£0.00	£8.78
August	£449.99	£454.38
September	£10.00	£4.39
October	£0.00	£0.00
November	£30.00	£0.00
December	£0.00	£0.00
Totals:	£980.00	£752.32
Credit:	£227.68	

#### 6. Chairmans Report

Official club members 56
Facebook members 188
Need to turn Facebook members into official members.
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#### 7. Matters Arising

**Insurance:** British Cycling provide different levels of cover to British Cycling members. All members are advised to have Personal Insurance when riding with RRCC.

**Safety:** Helmets must be worn at all times. Lights must be on bikes during the darker months but is advised to have them all year round. Don't take risks and slow down if you need to! Don't ride too close to each other. Never ride more than two abreast.

**Keyrings:** Keyrings will not be given to members next year but we are looking into have an RRCC 'Buff' instead and a membership card.

**Club Rides:** Should we just allow non members to ride with us for two or three rides and then get them to officially join before allowing them to ride with us in future? Looks like it will be difficut to manage.

**Facebook:** Should we have two facebook sites? One for official members and one for FB members? Is it elitist? Need balance. The club doesn't want to exclude anyone :-)

Facebook 'EVENT' rides need more information. Rating rides 1-5 in difficulty was mentioned but not decided on.

There was some confusion about the number of rides on Facebook and whether it will get out of hand. The committee will monitor the situation.

#### Members are welcome to create their own ride 'EVENT' on Facebook

**Meetings:** A get together 3-4 times a year was mentioned for members to network and meet other riders (in normal clothes!).

RRCC Website: Needs more information on committee members etc. maybe bio's.

**British Cycling Affiliation:** The club will continue to be affiliated with British cycling for another year. Ricol Cycles have agreed to sponsor our jerseys again for another year and have agreed to pay their fee to British Cycling.

**Ricol Cycles:** Ricol Cycles will offer official members 12% off purchases and services and 5% off new bike purchases from 1st January 2018 (this could change). They will still offer members £20 credit when you buy a RRCC jersey.

Welfare Officer: Lottie Norris is now our Welfare Officer alongside Darren Pocock.

**Group rides:** Splitting of groups is a problem. In future we will have one experienced rider at the front and one at the back. Radios could be purchased for better communication. At a junction the front group should wait or one cyclist from that group should wait. Routes should be put up on FB for every ride (unless it is a familiar route).

Large group rides could be split into 2-3 groups depending on ability and route and start at different times.

**Basic Maintenence training:** An evening/afternoon with John from Ricol Cycles showing basic maintenance for you bike. (John has agreed to do this)

**Women only rides:** Nobody thought this was a good idea so we will keep all rides mixed :-)

**Charity Work:** We had a very successful year raising money with some great personal achievements. There will be more charity events next year which will include a 200 miler!!

**Organisation Committee:** Gary Batchelor, Col Thorne and Keith Ellis are now the organisation committee. Going to track racing was one of the many ideas.

**Wiggle rides:** It was decided that Wiggle Sportives are now a rip-off so we will be organising more of our own rides a bit further afield. (one for the organisation committee)

Mark Rodgers: It was his birthday so we sang him 'Happy Birthday' xxx

The end :-)