

# YORKSHIRE CENTRE AUTO CYCLE UNION

(Affiliated to ACU)

PRESIDENT – Mr Martin Jackson



Minutes of the General Meeting of the Yorkshire Centre A.C.U. held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024 at the Cleckheaton Sports Club. The Chairman Mark Yeadon called the Meeting to order at 7.45 pm.

## In Attendance were: -

**President:** Martin Jackson

**President Elect:** Sue Smith

**Past Presidents:** Mike Washington.

**Chairman** – Mark Yeadon

**Secretary**–. Martin Fairburn.

## **Delegates from the Yorkshire Centre Clubs:**

Horsforth – 2, Huddersfield Falcons – 2, West Leeds – 1 Yeadon and Guiseley – 2 Wetherby - 1 .

**Apologies for Absence from:** Ron Eddings, Margaret Myers, Margaret Carter, Graham Wilson, Mark Chippendale.

**The minutes:** of the Meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024, had been circulated by e-mail and proposed by Martin Jackson and Seconded by Martin Fairburn.

## Matters Arising from the Minutes.

- Sport 80 –
  - New updates were circulated – MF to contact the ACU and obtain some information as many of the proposed updates are behind schedule.
- Confirmed that the insurance rates had been circulated and also a confirmation of the insurance rates for youths been at 50% but rounded up to the nearest penny.
- Ruus Brodie presented some options for the Centre Awards – Meeting decided on tall glasses.

## Correspondence: -

- Email from ACU 11<sup>th</sup> May – Assistant to Secretary General Appointed (Diane Williams).
- Request from the ACU to join a meeting with Yorkshire Combined Authority – West Yorkshire Mass Transit Phase 1 on 22<sup>nd</sup> April. MF attended interesting but not relevant to our operations.
- Email from ACU 20<sup>th</sup> March for request for information with reference the way forward proposals – ACU meeting to be held 6<sup>th</sup> April. MF sent a reply outlining the Centres intended activities,
- Minutes of the T and E commission meeting 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024. This has been forwarded to club secs – martin Jackson made a valid point that not all the relevant people received this information. MF will forward all minutes of ACU meetings to the relevant club and centre officials.

## Centre Handbook: -

- 50 copies have been printed – clubs in attendance collected copies for circulation.

## Chairman's floor: -

- East Yorks and the Northern Centre discussion group
  - Peter Gregory contacted Martin Jackson who is part of the ACU way forward discussion group. It was disclosed that there were not many people on the group East Yorks have said that there is little Northern England representation.
  - Potentially there are a lot of detrimental proposals been put forward that we are not part of.
  - Dave Willoughby has suggested that the Northern Centre Group should be perhaps resurrected so as we are better represented. MJ to conform with DW that this could be a good idea.
  - Another meeting of the working group was due on the 6<sup>th</sup>, it has been said that in the North the focus of centres is trials and perhaps the management of trials should be left alone.
  - There are fears that the centres are been manipulated.
  - Chris Haigh said that we should be better represented, and it seems that the issue with the representation was peoples time – CH has said that he would be willing to attend the meeting providing there was an option to join remotely.
- Mandate for the National Council Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May.
  - There is a resolution to re-appoint several directors en-bloc rather than as individuals. Martin Jackson to ask if the directors can be voted on separately otherwise MJ has the option to abstain should he feel this required.
  - Vote yes to adopt the accounts.

- Vote yes to re-appoint Magma as auditors.
- A couple of points of note on the agenda.
  - 5.1 – update and question from Northwest Centre
  - 8.1 – update on progress of working group
  - 8.3 – Constitution to be amended so as Directors can be appointed by the board
  - Martin Jackson given the remit to think on his feet with whatever comes up from these.

**Report from the Treasurer:**

- Handbook £150.00 paid
  - Update of Centre Notebook to Office 365 - £79.99
  - Payments for Website £39.60 (2 months)
- Regarding website the increases mean that even if we pay in advance the annual cost will be in the region of £200.00 – the meeting approved the continuation of the website although perhaps we should consider making it more entertaining.

**Report from Ben Fund Officer: -**

- Scott trial committee had donated £250.
- Martin Jackson donated his Stewards expenses from the Y and G S3 trial.

**Stewards Reports and next events: -**

- Y and G S3 Steward report completed by Martin Jackson
- Huddersfield Falcons WYC report read.

Note – A question was asked by FA why the Richmond club were allowed to run a trial on the same day as the WYC event. Potential cause for concern with rider numbers been low. MF said he would get in touch with RI and ask although it was noted that the two trials are showing on the Yorkshire Centre publish calendar of events.

**Appointment of Stewards**

- 12<sup>th</sup> May -Horsforth West Yorkshire Championship – do own report.
- 19<sup>th</sup> May – Richmond Gerald Simpson S3 – Martin Jackson
- 9<sup>th</sup> June – West Leeds Centre Championship - Sue and Dane Smith
- 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Wetherby – Wainwright S3 – Mark Yeadon
- 4<sup>th</sup> August – Spen Valley Centre Championship – Perhaps Sue
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**Championship Points and Series: -**

- An update on current points tables.
- An update on rider numbers

MF commented that we should display the points with regular updates on both the Centre FB page and website to encourage competition, he however needs the full list of Centre Points not just the top 3.

Also noted that Richard Mellon had been put down in the wrong category.

**Any Other Business: -**

- Full list of events had been published and circulated.

**Meeting Closed at 21:50 pm**

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