



# YORKSHIRE CENTRE AUTO CYCLE UNION

(Affiliated to ACU)

**PRESIDENT – Mrs Sue Smith**



Minutes of the Centre Board Meeting of the Yorkshire Centre A.C.U. held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025. The President called the Meeting to order at 9pm.

**In Attendance were: -**

**President:** Sue Smith

**President Elect:** N/A

**Past Presidents:** Mike Washington, Ron Eddings and Martin Jackson.

**Chairman –**

**Secretary–.** Martin Fairburn.

**Trials Recorder –** Mike Washington

**Delegates from the Yorkshire Centre Clubs:**

Bradford – 1, Horsforth – 1, Huddersfield Falcons – 2, Yeadon - Guiseley – 1

**Apologies for Absence from:** Margaret Carter, Graham Wilson and Mark Yeadon.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes.**

- None

**Correspondence:**

- None of note

**ACU Delegates floor**

- Martin Jackson delivered a report on the National Council Meeting that was held on the 8<sup>th</sup> November.
  - Martin explained that they had been asked to vote on the Minutes of the previous meeting however there were no Minutes available, as it seems that the ACU have started calling the meeting notes:
    - Records of Discussion, or Record of Decisions. To date, no formal “Minutes” (*as are required*) have been offered. It is hoped the ACU will soon correct their curious error.
  - The ACU went through an abridged version of the Way Forward & it was also noted that the ACU had delivered a press release stating that there would be whole host of benefits with the new proposed structure, but no benefits were highlighted. It was also noted that Tim Lightfoot had stated that “they” [ACU] were empowered to change Centre boundaries. Although the logic behind the new regions can be seen, it was also pointed out that not all Centres are being treated as equals, for some Centres there is no change whereas it is proposed that other Centres are amalgamated.
  - On the question of whether the Regional Boards would be issuing permits it was confirmed that ACU head office would be the only permit issuing authority; however, whilst still un-clarified, it is anticipated that the S.A.C.U. will be able to issue permits.
- It was suggested that we [The Yorkshire Centre] should contact the East Yorks Centre to take their viewpoint on the proposed amalgamation of the two Centres to form one of the Sporting Regions. The meeting was in approval of this suggestion and it hoped that a meeting could be setup early in 2026.
- Voting for commission members. The following people were duly elected.
  - Elaine Connor – Trials Commission
  - Malcolm Bates and Mick Seward – Enduro Commission
  - Paul Roeton and Chelsea Secker – MX commission
- Insurance costs were detailed and Youth licence costs were under review.

**Treasurers Report**

- As per AGM

**Report from Ben Fund Officer: -**

- As per AGM

### **Stewards Reports and next events: -**

- Stewards report read out from the Bradford Yorkshire Clubman Championship trial 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 25.

### **Appointment of Stewards**

- No volunteers from the meeting for the Ilkley, YG or Bradford events, the clubs will have to either try and find a steward or provide one themselves.

### **Championship Points and Series: -**

- No updates at the time of the meeting

### **AOB**

- Nick Jefferies asked what would happen if we just told the ACU to forget about the Way Forward for the Yorkshire Centre – clearly, we don't yet know the answer to that one.
- Quick discussion about licencing seminars – Sue confirmed that we could only deliver regional seminars now and not National.
- A calendar of dates for all the planned ACU trials in the Yorkshire Centre has now been compiled and will be published, it was agreed by the meeting that this calendar will include the Ripon dates.

### **Meeting Closed at 22:30 pm**

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Next Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026