

MINUTES OF MEETING

CALDER CLARION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2007 OSSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

1. **Apologies** were received from Jean and Dennis Hall, Tom McGhie, Kevin Watson, and Paul Milsom. Attendance list at end.
2. **Minutes** of the 2006 meeting were accepted as a true record, subject to a minor alteration with the removal of the refs to the BBQ at Ron and Cheryl's (the 2006 BBQ was at Jon and Norma Claytons).
3. **Reports by officials (see below).**

Time Trial secretary – Jim Blankley reported that this year's events were successful. He proposed that fees for the evening events should increase from £1.50 to £2 for 2008. RTTC are paid £1 per rider and £1 will be paid to Calder. This was put to a vote and the increase was agreed.

No road race secretary, but there are now 2 regular road racing members (Digby road all the events in the East Yorks Road Race League event and open events and Steve Swift rode events in 2007).

Runs secretary (Steve Burton) reported another successful year of club runs, with several new members recruited from the Sunday runs.

Cyclo cross – Similar to 2006. Richard Fenn, Peter and Paul Milsom have raced regularly. Ian Cooke rode the three peaks but injured himself and didn't ride again in 2007. Carl Lindop has also ridden occasionally. Digby Rusling rode some events in 2006/07 season. Richard Fenn organised the cyclo cross event as a Calder event at Silcoates school in September. He has done this with no support from other Calder members. The event in 2008 will be the 20th event that he has organised (not all Calder events), but this will be his last as organiser.

Heanor Clarion organised the National Clarion cross event, but no Calder riders took part (we were notified very late as always).

On the 9th December 2007 the National Trophy event will be held at Peel Park Bradford.

Grass track – The event at Roundhay Park was “washed out” only 2 events were completed, due to flooding with water several metres deep. The event is advertised widely (in what's on in Cycling Weekly) and on British Cycling website.

Treasurer – Geoff Whiteley. A written summary was distributed (which Peter Milsom was audited). Geoff stated that he was stepping down from the post.

There is a bank balance of +£1932.95 (compared to £1690.85 in 2005/06). A healthy balance with profit of £242.10 for the year. £372 taken at evening TTs, with £180 paid in CTT levies.

A query was raised about the £30 CTT subscription, which hadn't been paid. This needs to be checked. (NOTE Andrew Spittlehouse subsequently checked and found the paperwork requesting payment. A cheque was sent out on 28th Nov).

Recorder – Tim Moss. No problems. As usual Tim called for trophies to be returned asap. Jim Blankley has already received Cheryl's trophies.

Press – Tim Moss. Results regularly sent by email to the Wakefield Express, but STILL NOT published. The Wakefield Express had sent a photographer to an evening ten, and published a photo, when the Tour De France was on. Peter Howard had stories published regularly about his successes. Peter felt that this was because they wanted a story, not just a list of results.

It was later suggested that the AGM minutes should be sent to the press as this may be of more interest! Other notes about club activities could be sent in and not just results.

Secretary – (general and membership) Andrew Spittlehouse. Reported that there were now 45 members compared to 49 members in 2006. A number of new members recruited via the Sunday runs.

A few general announcements were made:-

- Standard form to be completed for National Clarion membership (a request from National Clarion membership secretary). Andrew explained that this was particularly important for new members. It was suggested and agreed that Andrew would supply Steve Burton, Jim Blankley and George Masson with blank standard membership forms).
- Many Clothing suppliers details received in the post. Digby Rusling volunteered to put in an order for new club clothing after Christmas. Steve Burton suggested that this could be publicised in the newsletter. Peter Milsom argued that a vote was needed before deciding which design should be used (in the past new designs had been made without full club approval). This needs to be agreed BEFORE an order is made.
- Andrew also advised the meeting that details of holiday accommodation for cyclists in Europe (France, Spain, Italy) was available. It was suggested that this should be circulated by email.
- National Clarion info on 2008 events was available, but all members should have this. The Easter meet is to be in Stamford in 2008.

Social secretary – Jean Burton. Report under items 7, 8 and 10.

4. Election of officials.

POSITION	2007	2008
Chairman	Cliff Kettlewell	Bob Steeper
	(Vote Cliff Kettlewell = 5 Bob Steeper = 8)	
President	George Masson	GM
General sec	Andrew Spittlehouse	AS
Membership sec	Andrew Spittlehouse	AS
Treasurer	Geoff Whiteley	John Clayton
Social Sec	Jean Burton	JB
Recorder	Tim Moss	TM
TT Sec	Jim Blankley	JB
Press sec	Tim Moss	TM
Club Runs	Steve Burton	SB

5. **SUBS.** There was no need to increase them as National Clarion was not increasing the levy this year. Subs will remain at £7 (maintaining the Calder levy at £1). A unanimous vote carried this decision. This will be reviewed again next year if the national levy is changed again.
6. **Evening 10s** were discussed earlier (the CTT levy per rider for 2008 was now £1, therefore increase fee for ordinary club events to £2).

7. **BARBEQUE + 8 Christmas Fuddle + 10 ANNUALPRIZE PRESENTATION / DINNER. Discussed together**

Held on 8th June, the Barbecue had been a success again at John and Norma Claytons. It was well attended and a good social event. Unfortunately it was poorly attended by Calder members, John and Norma's relatives were relied upon. Invites sent out by Jean Burton. This year's event (2008) will be held in June (to be confirmed).

The fuddle was v successful with 30 members attending (plus friends / partners). A profitable event. It was proposed that this event should be held again. To be publicised via a newsletter again sent by email or post (where no email). The event will be on Weds 19th DEC in Ossett again. A suggestion to subsidise the event from club funds was discussed. It was suggested that this should be considered for the annual dinner (for reasons discussed later).

The annual dinner will have to move to a new venue as the Dimple Wells hotel has closed (as anticipated last year). The Holmefield Arms has been provisionally booked for Sat 16th February. The charge is £15.95 per head, with a £120 charge for a separate room. It was suggested that the club subsidise the cost of the room hire, so the charge per person stays at £15.95 (rather than £20). Geoff Whiteley objected in principal to the room charge

(and others were unhappy). A vote was taken and 15 voted to pay for the room and 1 was against, so the club funds will pay the £120 room charge.

The fuddle is a success due to the contribution of the members who organize it and especially those who organise the food. This needs to be recognised. Nominal fee proposed for 2007 of £2 (was £4 in 2006). Tickets will be sold in advance to allow numbers to be known in advance. Raffle prizes needed as always.

The new chairman passed his thanks to all the fuddle organisers and other secretaries for their efforts over the last year.

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9. Annual reminder to return trophies to Jim Blankley (for Tim Moss) asap.

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11. AOB.

- Belated thanks passed by Peter Milsom (on behalf of the club) to **Geoff Whiteley** for all his work as treasure over the years.
- Website = needs a named secretary. Richard Hancock will continue his good work. Thanks from Peter and the chairman for his efforts.
- Signing on at evening events. Need volunteers so Jim Blankley can ride some events.
- Calder Clarion camping group was publicised. Social event every other weekend from May to Sept. Jean Burton organises and will publicise with a list of events. Group meal at end of each weekend.
- National Clarion newsletter = need to publicise Calder activities, someone must have something to submit!
- Jean Burton advised that there were only 2 female cycling members. Need more! Any ideas?

Meeting closed at 20:32

List of attendees (18 members out of 45)

Andrew Spittlehouse, Joan Milsom, Peter Milsom
Geoff M Whiteley, Cliff Kettlewell, George Masson
Jim Blankley, Jean Burton, Steve Burton
Bob Steeper, Roy Wellburn, Dave Smithers
Peter Howard, Evelyn Howard, Richard Hancock
Tim Moss, John Clayton, Digby Rusling