

***Minutes from the
MTB Guisborough Club AGM***

***Sunday 24th November 2013
Ship Inn, Guisborough***



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Meeting opened at 13.10hrs

In attendance;

Mark Bland, Nick Piper, Martin Coleby, Andy Lumley, Rory Spence, Dan Pattinson, Simon Towel, Ian Thompson, Stuart Percival, Tony Robbins, Derek George

There was a request by RS to discuss item 5.2 from the agenda, as he had to leave early. This was discussed and decided by the chair not to conduct the Orange Dig Day Draw, as there was insufficient representation by MTBG members. It was decided this will take place on the day of the MTBG Xmas Charity Ride 15th December 2013, when a greater number of MTBG club members will give witness.

1. Introduction;

NP announced 2013 has been a successful year for MTBG and continued to discuss all items of his report, published in these minutes on pages 4 - 10

2. Apologies;

Dan Small, David Faulkner, James Devlin, Paul Stephenson, Andy Tennyson, David Skaife, Andy Bielby, Malcolm Allan

3. Adoption of Committee Positions;

The following committee positions were proposed and seconded by random attendees; chairman – Nick Piper, secretary – Martin Coleby, treasurer – Mark Bland, welfare officer – Andy Tennyson, trails tech.lead – And Lumley, trails co-coordinator 1 – Dan Pattinson, trails co-coordinator 2 – Rory Spence.

4. Annual Reports

4.1 Club Membership

MC read member's secretary report as published on page 11 of these minutes. The meeting discussed the numbers and in general all were pleased with the growing numbers of members and the very small number of lapsed members.

4.2 Trailbuilding

DP's report on page 14 of these minutes

It was confirmed that FC insist all 'diggers' have a current SingleTraction membership.

It was decided that to "reduce risk" would be used as persuasion with FC for permission to develop trails in the forest.

Discussions with MTBG, FC and SingleTraction for trail development are planned in the future.

A budget has been allocated for future development as follows;

£1,000 – Les's 1

£1,250 – new by-pass from Bousdale House to PVC.

£0,250 – training/skills course at Laurence Jackson School.

DP will arrange a meeting with FC and SingleTraction for the development of Les's 1

An allocation of 4 loads of hardcore for Les's 1, 4 loads for The walkway by-pass and 1 load for Laurence Jackson has been made.

FC will replace the bridge at the top of Secret Path.

FC are to arrange a Trail Inspection Course for DP and AL

4.3 Juniors

NP discussed his junior report with the meeting The full report is in these minutes on pages 4 to 10

4.4 Coaches and Guiding

NP discussed the details in his report which appear in the above mentioned pages of these minutes.

NP confirmed 2 additional coaches are required for 2014.

More adult guided rides will be arranged in 2014 on a blue/red grading system based on competence of riders.

NP will conduct a mass coaching session for adult riders in 2014.

4.5 Treasurers report

MB discussed his treasurers report with the meeting. The report can be seen on page 13 of these minutes.

5. Any other business

5.1 Halloween Event.

MC read his report on this event which is on page 12 of these minutes. It was discussed with the attendees but a decision was not reached as to the level of commitment the club will give this event in 2014, although it was agreed that the club will participate.

5.2 Orange Dig Day Presentations.

See opening note of these minutes.

5.3 Errington Race.

It was discussed and agreed that the club will participate in this in 2014.

It was decided a group should be formed with volunteers having dedicated tasks and a leader to coordinate.

The possibility of Barclays PLC acting as overall sponsors of the race series was talked about with favorable comments.

The purchase of a quality MTBG “easy-up” was discussed for use at events and various ideas raised for means of acquiring funding although nothing was confirmed.

Meeting closed at 15.55hrs

Race Team Report

2013 season

Another great turnout from MTBG members this season! Races attended included:

- Whinlatter Challenge
- National marathon championships
- Nutcracker series
- British National series
- North East XC series
- Kielder marathon series
- Bontrager 24/12
- Relentless 24
- British Downhill Series
- Glentress 7
- POC King & Queen of the Hill
- Hardrock Enduro
- Selkirk Marathon

Key results

- Jason Hynd:
 - 1st Vets Bontrager 24/12 12hr solo
 - 2nd Vets Glentress7 7hr solo
 - 1st Vets Margham Madness 8hr solo
 - 2nd Vets Relentless24 24hr solo
- Tony Robbins (Chunky)
 - 2nd singlespeed overall North East XC Series
- Luke Middlemiss
 - 1st overall U12 North East XC Series
- Thomas Laing-Taylor
 - 2nd overall U12 North East XC Series
- Jack Tennyson
 - 3rd Juvenile British Downhill Champs
 - 1st Juvenile English Downhill Champs
 - 1st Juvenile Scottish Downhill Champs
 - 1st Juvenile BDS Rd 3 Innerleithan
 - 1st Juvenile Borderline Rd 2 Caersws
 - 3rd Juvenile BDS Rd 1 Combe Sydenham
 - 1st Juvenile SDA Rd 1 Innerleithan
 - 1st Juvenile SDA Rd5 Fort William
- Also worthy of note are the personal goals reached by individual members who may not have made the podium – good work!

Events

The club hosted the Errington round of the North East XC series in June in partnership with British Cycling, the event was a great success with a good feedback on the course and the highest turnout of the whole series. The first XC race in the area for approx. 20 years! A big thanks to all involved in particular the volunteer marshals and Ian Thompson and son for all their work hacking out the course.

Future plans

- Club to again host Errington race – provisional date Friday 24th April 2014. Possible opportunity to host another round if we want to. The club has been asked to take on more of the organisational responsibility in 2014. The council have already been approached and provided permission in principle. Suggested formation of sub-committee to take on responsibility for organisation of event – volunteers required!!
- Race specific coaching and possible ‘masterclass’ with XC pro (subject to agreement of said XC pro... TBC)

Coaching & Guiding Report

2013

Training

MTBG Youth Section Sport England award allowed the club to fund the following training:

Completed

- 6 Members completed 2 day Outdoor first aid qualification
- 5 Members completed 2 day British Cycling MTB Leader training
- 4 Members passed 1 day British Cycling MTB Leader assessment
- 2 Members completed 5 day British Cycling L2 coaching qualification (50% funded by Tony Blair Sports Fund)
- 1 Member completed 2 day British Cycling L2 MTB coaching qualification

Future plans (confirmed funding)

- 2 members to complete British Cycling MTB Leader training in November 2013
- 3 members to complete British Cycling MTB Leader assessment in March 2014
- 3 members to complete Outdoor first aid qualification in first quarter of 2014
- 1 member to complete British Cycling L2 MTB coaching qualification

Projected trained volunteers available for 2014 season

- 10 x MTB Leaders
- 3 x MTB coaches

Future needs

- 2 x MTB coaches (funding to be confirmed by Sport England)

Guided rides & Coaching delivered in 2012

Adult:

- 1 x Beginner coaching day (50% discount for club members)
- 3 x 'Back into Sport' guided rides
- Regular 'unofficial' adult Tues night rides and 'End Of Week' rides

Junior

- 3 x Beginner Taster sessions (£300 funded by Sportivate)
- 14 x Evening guided rides
- 3 x Evening coaching sessions

- 5 x Weekend afternoon sessions

Future plans for 2014

- Further 'Sportivate' and 'Back into Sport' guided rides in partnership with R&C council
- Adult guided rides in Guisborough Forest and further afield depending on demand and leader availability. Significant discount to be given to club members.
- Coaching sessions to be planned in spring & summer (Dalby or Guisborough) there is demand for 'Woman only' and 'Intermediate' sessions in particular. Significant discount to again be given to club members.
- Youth section summer weekend rides inc. away days to trail centres (e.g. Glentress).
- Youth section beginner – intermediate coaching inc. 'Girls only' sessions.

Youth Section Report

2013

Sport England Bid

Club successful in Sport England bid for £8,000 to fund youth section. Bid specifically targeted to pay for:

- Training of 7 MTB Leaders
- Training of 3 MTB coaches
- Payment of expenses to volunteers for delivering sessions (£10 per session)
- 3 leader packs

First year has been very successful, massive thanks to all involved. See guided rides section for details of rides and coaching delivered. The club has received great feedback from both riders and parents.

First intake of rides largely came from existing Laurence Jackson School MTB club – all intermediate to advanced standard.

Progress towards bid targets

- Likely to fall short on participations targets, due to:
 - Reduced numbers of riders attending during summer holidays
 - Difficult to achieve 15 riders (target) per ride due to absences / other commitments etc
 - Club has not been able to deliver planned 'full day' rides due to delays training ride leaders (due to Sport England delays in approving funding and logistics of arranging training and assessment)
- Likely to exceed volunteering targets, due to club decision to use 8:2 ratio of riders to leaders instead of BC minimum 8:1 ratio. The lower ratio was decided upon for reasons of safety, quality and liability.
- Full data available below.

Plans for 2014

- Continue regular evening rides and coaching from April 2014
- Possibly replace summer holidays evening rides with programme of weekend 'away days'
- Develop coaching pathway to allow beginner riders to develop the skills to enable them to attend guided forest rides (poss graded progression: Blue > Red > Black)
- Encourage female participation (zero female riders so far)

MTBG Sport England Volunteering and Participations Data

Activity	Sessions	Volunteering			Participation		Hrs per session	Total participations*
		Num volunteers	Hrs per session	Total hrs	Per session (ave)			
					14-25	25+		
Bid targets 2013/14								
Coaching / leading - youth section week night	25	3	1.5	112.5	15	0	2	750
Coaching / leading - youth section weekend (full day)	5	3	7	105	15	0	6	450
Coaching / leading - youth section weekend (half day)	5	3	5	75	15	0	4	300
Other (admin/planning etc)	40	3	1	120				
Volunteer training (1st aid)	2	8	8	128				
Volunteer training (L2 Leader)	4	6	8	192				
Volunteer training (L3 Leader)	5	2	8	80				
Volunteer training (L2 MTB Coach)	3	3	8	72				
Volunteer training (L2 Coach)	3	3	8	72				
				<u>956.5</u>				
			Total				Total	<u><u>1500</u></u>
Actuals to 31/12/2013					Total rider attendances			
Coaching / leading - youth section week night	17	4	2	136	139		2	278
Coaching - youth section week day after school sessions with LJS	1	2	2	4	12		2	24
Coaching / leading - youth section weekend (full day)	0	4	7	0				
Coaching / leading - youth section taster	3	4	3	36	30		3	90

weekend (3hrs)

Coaching /
leading - youth
section

weekend (half
day)

5

4

6

120

55

5.5

302.5

Other

(admin/plannin
g etc)

40

3

1

120

Volunteer

training (1st
aid)

2

9

8

144

Volunteer

training (L2
Leader)

7

7

8

392

Volunteer

training (L3
Leader)

0

0

8

0

Volunteer

training (L2
MTB Coach)

2

3

8

48

Volunteer

training (L2
Coach)

2

2

8

32

Total

1032

Total

694.5

MTB Guisborough Membership Report at 20th November 2013

Current Membership;

Adult.....	98
Family.....	01
Junior.....	17
Total.....	116

Lapsed memberships in current year.....06

The current membership is made up of local male, female and junior members with 1 family membership in Wetherby.

There have been 6 lapsed memberships in the current year without giving reason.

Since the inception of a junior membership this current year, this stands at 17 jnr males.

New Membership since last AGM;

Adult.....	52	£1,040
Family.....	01	£0,030
Junior.....	17	£0,136
Total.....		£1,206

Renewals since last AGM;

Adult.....	36	£0,720
Total.....		£1,926

Weebly Social Network Members;

Approx. number of members at last AGM.....	804
Current as of 23 rd Nov 2013.....	1056
An increase of 252 approx 30%	

Halloween Event 31st October 2013 Report

31 MTB Guisborough members formed a group to assist in the running of a Halloween Walk at Guisborough Forest Walkway, organized by "The Friends of Guisborough Forest"

The event was a great success financially to MTBG, receiving a cheque for £2,428.

The volunteers for this event acted as "scarers", dressing up in costume, hiding in strategic positions along the route and scaring passing walkers in any way they could.

A smaller group assisted with car park and security duty, directing traffic and walkers to the entry points for the event.

In general, the event was enjoyed by most of the volunteers and the organizers praised the efforts of MTBG for their assistance.

Due to this success, MTBG has been asked if they will assist this even in 2014, further more, with added duties and responsibilities, resulting in a greater cash benefit to the club.

Should the club commit to this, then a greater number of volunteers will be required, to form additional groups and working parties. Until it is established, how many volunteers MTBG can muster, then it is not possible to confirm what level of commitment the club can give.

Martin Coleby Sec. MTBG



Treasurer Report 2012/2013

Balance	Natwest	PayPal	Cash	Total
Start of AGM year (08.11.12)	£1037.87	£0	£0	£1037.87
Current (23.11.13)	£8447.13	£0	£0	£8447.13

Starting balance (since last AGM)	£1037.87
Total income since last AGM	£16,921.90
Total expenditure since last AGM	£9572.87
Gain or loss since last AGM	£7349.03
Outstanding invoices to be paid	£0

Breakdown of Income	£16,921.90
Membership	£1982.18
Merchandise	£1269.87
Sponsorships and funding	£8805.00
Guided rides and coaching	£933.60
Fundraising events	£3533.75
Training courses	£397.50

Breakdown of Expenditure	£9572.87
Merchandise	£1807.40
Training courses	£4048.50
Guided rides and coaching	£1901.39
Websites and subscriptions	£221.87
Affiliations	£127.00
Postage, stationery and printing	£175.08
Fundraising events	£1291.63

2013 Trailbuilding Report

The plan for the year was mostly to continue work along the red route, and to undertake the task of completely redesigning and rebuilding Les' 1.

The work on the red route from Highcliffe along the Black Track has been really positive. Armouring work early in the year has provided a sound all weather surface for much of its length.

An additional line on the descent down to the Christmas Tree Carpark from the Black Track initially provided a nice route around a very boggy track. However due to forest operations this part of the track is now much better. Plans are in the pipeline for a more interesting trail which will pick up the diversion we created, so not all is lost.

The section leading off the fireroad to the Black Track at Highcliffe was given a welcome update. The trail was armoured and optional rock spines were added, again making this section more interesting and weather resistant.

Smaller work has continued on Les' 2 (Balboa) and Les' 3. This again has been to enhance these sections and improve resistance to the elements.

The end of the year has seen us reopen and maintain drainage for the winter, in order that there will be less repair work needed early next year.

With regards to Les' 1 work has been delayed whilst we wait for the FC to add some essential drainage at the top. There is little point in carrying out any work here until it is added. Plans still exist to add extra berms, features, and much needed drainage.

2013 saw a total of 22 volunteers work over 7 dig days, and our thanks goes out to these individuals.

It was decided during the course of 2013 that we would reimburse Club Members their SinglertAction membership of £15, which is required to attend the digs, if they came along to 2 dig days.

We would like to thank Orange Bikes for their support in offering prizes to the volunteers. The draw to win an Orange Crush frame will be made at our Christmas Charity Ride. Barclays have also provided some support with materials, of which we now have a healthy pile of rock and hardcore at the Christmas Tree Carpark, so many thanks to them.

For 2014 we have prioritised 3 main projects. Firstly the plans for Les' 1 are still high on the list as we feel this will benefit a large proportion of our members. Secondly we have been asked by the visitors centre to help add a new section of trail from near Bousedale House down to the lower footpath. This is to reduce the amount of riders heading down the fire road at speed into the playground area. And finally we have been asked to help improve the skills loop at Laurence Jackson School. This is in keeping with our ambitions to help local youngsters develop their skills.