

# DABBERS TRIALS CLUB MEMBERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2022, PYMOOR SOCIAL CLUB

#### 7:30pm:

- 1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS: Andy Stevens welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.
- 2. NON-ATTENDANCE APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from: John Halfpenny, Sharen Halfpenny, Pete Bush, John Coombs, Ken Carroll, Alan Pain, Peter Rank, Darren Paul, Dick Clears.

ATTENDING THE MEETING: Andy Stevens, Alana Stevens, Nick Dyble, Rebecca Hearle, Sally Dyer, Steve Dyer, Alan Baker, Joe Aley, Mick Butcher, Dave Ryan, Jon Leeke, Chris Roper, Gary Palmer, Ian Kidd, Charlie Allen, Mick Howard, Rob Edwards, Paul Nielson, Debbie Bishop, Martyn Bishop.

- **3.** CLUB OFFICIALS: Officials are: Dick Clears President, Andy Stevens Chairman, Alana Stevens Secretary, Paul Neilson Membership Secretary, Nick Dyble, John Halfpenny.
  - I. PROPOSAL: The current Club officials should remain in position for the coming season. Proposer: Chris Roper, Seconder: Sally Dyer. Carried unanimously.
  - II. SOCIAL SECRETARY: Do we need one to organise shows and club nights etc?
    Discussion explaining the requirements of the role. Dave Ryan suggested that he and Jackie could do it.
    Details are to worked out.
- **4.** THANK YOU: to all the observers, helpers and landowners.

  Andy thanked all for their help. Without observers, helpers and landowners the club would not be able to run events. This was greeted with a round of applause from the room.
- **5.** GENERAL DISCUSSION: re event format, venues, calendar dates etc.

The 2-day charity event was well received and the plan is to hold the event every year at the Runcton venue. A suggestion that dates for trials should be published sooner to allow for holiday planning. In the past, dates for the next season were published after the Ashdon 2-day. Now that the 2-day event is held a month later, dates will be arranged earlier.

Proposal: Should we have a rule that over 70s can ride any class of bike (including monos) for no championship points, with the first 2 lap scores counting? The general feeling is that this would be a good idea as a test for next season.

Proposer: Rebecca Hearle, Seconder: Jon Leeke. Carried unanimously.

Nick Dyble explained that a trial of online entries will be started soon.

Proposal: Should the winners of Dabbers and 50/50 championships be encouraged to move up a class? Should they not wish to move up the following season, they can still ride in the class they won, but not receive championship points for that season. Thus allowing other riders to move up the championship table. Proposer: Jon Leeke, Seconder: Paul Neilson. Carried unanimously.

**6.** FINANCIAL REPORT: A single page overview is available to all club members.

Alana Stevens presented a one-page financial overview. It is attached below and forms part of the meeting minutes. It is noted that AMCA fees increase each year. This covers insurance etc. Entry fees were much less in the previous 2 years due to the COVID restrictions. However, that club is still in a good financial position and carry forwards a small balance to next season.

- 7. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT: Paul Neilson.
  - Paul presented an overview of the club membership status. The report is attached and forms part of the meeting minutes.
- **8.** CHARITY DONATIONS: Each year the club donates to a charity. Suggestions are welcome for our chosen charities next season.

Sally Dyer suggested Cancer Research. A payment to cancer research will be made immediately using the money carried over from last season. It was also mentioned that the 2-day charity event could raise money for the Blood Runners. It was suggested that we use the facebook group polling function to ask the membership.

**9.** OBSERVERS: How to get them. What to do if we are short.

We will remind riders that only 5 rounds out of 6 count for championship results so they could observe a trial. At pre-trial rider briefings, we will ask riders to help clearing sections at the end of the trial and relieve observers if they retire.

It was mentioned that recently some riders have ridden into a section before being called in by the observer. Nick will proof read the club rules and send an email to members with the rules attached.

### 10. HELP SETTING UP TRIALS.

Andy will use the facebook group to ask for help with setting up trials. Additionally, some sites could do with a clearing party a week or so before the event.

11. FIRST AID COURSE: Anyone interested?

There was some interest, so Alana will arrange a date and invite members.

- **12.** ANY OTHER BUSINESS No extra items were raised.
- **13.** MEETING CLOSE The meeting was closed at 22:00.

## Dabbers Ledger

Opening Bala	ince	2021/2022 3439.43	2020/2021 3434.75	2019/2020 £3,557.76
Entry's AMCA Fees Landowner F		£12,515.88 £3,706.20 £2,799.00 £480.00	£6,763.68 £2,146.30 £1,659.00 £400.00	£5,010.00 £1,717.20 £1,192.00 £260.00
Travel Observers		2400.00	2400.00	2200.00
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Closing Balance		£4,784.00	3439.43	3434.75
Charity donations		£2,700.00	£1,500.00	run onto next y no events ran
Charity pot available		£1,082.10		

## Membership Secretary's Report 2021/22

We have the following membership of the club:

- 6 Officials
- 12 Observer Members
- 182 Rider Members

Income from membership has been:

17	8 Members @ £5.00	£ 890.00
4	Members @ £4.55 (PayPal payments)	£ 18.20
To	tal Income from membership	£ 908.20

Membership has increased by 27 from the previous year.

I am happy to continue in my role for the forthcoming year.

Paul Neilson Membership Secretary