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**HAWICK CYCLING CLUB
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
2021/22**

Meeting at 19:00 on 22 February 2023

Location: 2 Teviot Crescent, Hawick TD9 9RE

Note of Meeting

PRESENT:

Tosh Scott, President

Hamish Smith, Timekeeper

David Killean, Secretary

Colin Telfer, Club Captain

Steven Harkness, Committee Member

Kevin Elliot, Committee Member

Susan Shiel, Membership Secretary

Iain Shiel, Treasurer

Caroline Jack

Graeme Cockburn

1/22	Welcome and Apologies for Absence Tosh Scott welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. With 10 members present the meeting was quorate and able to proceed.
2/22	Minutes of the Previous AGM The minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting. Proposed Kevin Elliot, Seconded Iain Shiel
3/22	End of Year Report The president noted that we had another successful year and handed over to the Secretary for the detailed report. We managed a full year of confined time trials in 2022 following two years of restrictions due to the pandemic. The shorter and flatter events proved to be the more popular during the year with this influencing our planning for the coming season.

We also had the usual tailing-off of entries to the confined TTs as the season progressed with 20+ entries in the early season to single figures by August. Overall, 13 women and 26 men competed at some point in our confined events.

The year started with a surge in Covid cases across the country and we took the decision to cancel our planned awards ceremony at Santa Marina Restaurant due on 21 January 2022. We combined the 2021 prizegiving with the 2022 event held at Hawick Golf Club in October and were able to honour both male and female event competition winners for each of our competitions for the first time. We had special event winner medals manufactured with the club crest on and the event winner's name and event details on the back. Jammie Johnston was our special guest and was made a life member of the club for the services he has provided to us over many years. We heard about his many exploits as a cycling commentator over the decades.

The three Audax UK open events were all run successfully in the summer as basic events as we did the previous year. This removed the need for an HQ, with the events starting in Morrison's car park and completers posting their cards back to the secretary. We plan to run the Riccarton Line on a different day to the Debatable Lands this coming year to allow club members to ride both if they wish.

The Committee took the decision to run the Ken Laidlaw Sportive in a similar format to the previous year as this was successful and reduced the cost of running the event. The Volunteer Park has proved to be an ideal HQ and having learned from the previous year, sign on and finish was at the club gazebo in the car park, With Jammy Johnston not available David Killean took on the MC role. The weather was excellent with around 250 riders of the approximately 350 entries turning up on the day. The riders left escorted by a motorcycle marshal in groups of 50. Catering was provided by an external cater from their catering van after large amounts of food being wasted last year and Hawick Youth Rugby unable to provide the service. Although the sportive is not a race many of the entrants do like to know their time for completing the event. With the weather perfect for a cycling event, Robbie Mitchell completed the full route of 103 miles in under 5 hours and holds the KoM. Completing riders had the option to receive a medal and a personalised certificate with their time recorded. Two of the on-route food stops were provided by local cafes in Newcastleton and Eskdalemuir. The general feedback from participants was positive. The club bought a PA, three banners and a supply of medals for the event that should last a couple of years.

In April, Sweetspot announced that the second stage of the Tour of Britain would be starting from Hawick. This is the second year in succession that a stage of the Tour would be starting from Hawick and was building on the success of last year's reception from the town, not least because of the efforts of the Club. This year the stage was on a Monday with the children all back at school. The club decided to focus on attracting women riders and children to the event. The Belles and groups of school children would lead out the event with special t-shirts commissioned for the children to wear. Club members helped to organise a coffee morning at Cogsmill on the day of the event and the coordination of pupils from all the local primary schools to take part on the day. Again, this was a great success due to club members' efforts.

The Scottish National Olympic Time Trial Championships were hosted by the club again this year after the Club being approached by Scottish Cycling. There was a small field

	<p>with club members Michelle Ritson winning the women's event and Andrea Pogson finishing third. Hawick CC also won the team event.</p> <p>The Committee met regularly throughout the year planning club events and ensuring that the club was in good organisational and financial health. We had new committee members helping to freshen up proceedings with Iain Shiel (Treasurer) Susan Shiel (Membership Secretary), Colin Telfer (Road Captain), Andrea Pogson (Coach) and Alan Turnbull (Committee Member) all joining the committee for 2022.</p> <p>Club membership has grown from 81 members in 2021 to 93 in 2022 with 27 of these women. We are pleased to welcome new members with a good few younger members joining us and a further 42% growth in women membership. Women membership has grown threefold in the last two years primarily due to the British Cycling Breeze Champions' work in encouraging more women to take up cycling.</p> <p>There were fewer kit orders from Le Col this year with most members now well kitted out with club colours. The Committee decided to hold a small stock of items to make up the smaller orders with items still available to members who may require them.</p> <p>Andrea Pogson provided coaching session for women in the early part of the season trying to organise these events to fit with the needs of the women involved. In the coming year Andrea will offer individual coaching sessions for club members as a private arrangement.</p> <p>The clubrooms gym has not operated since the pandemic and is now close permanently because the cost of insurance maintenance and heating are all beyond the means of the club and it was a facility used by very few members.</p> <p>Finally, thank you to those who give of their time to the club, without whom this year would not have been so successful. We are pleased that club members also give time to supporting British Cycling initiatives such as Breeze and Guided Rides. The club benefits indirectly from its members being involved in organising cycling activities for the public through these initiatives. They are an important part in getting more people confident to get on their bikes and experience the benefits of cycling.</p>
<p>04/22</p>	<p>Treasurer's Annual Report</p> <p>In what has been Iain's first year serving as Club Treasurer, carrying on the work that his predecessor, Steven Harkness provided to the club for many years. 2021/22 has seen another successful financial year. As per the Financial Statement provided in the Annual Report.</p> <p>Our main income in the year was from the Ken Laidlaw Sportive, which grew in numbers from the post pandemic event held in 2021. With the popular Audax events and increased subscriptions also providing additional income.</p> <p>Notable expenditure in the year saw the purchase of medals (for the Ken Laidlaw and for the Club events for the next three years.), new signage, a P.A. System as well as club kit, for which we now hold an amount of stock for future orders.</p> <p>Grant funding from Future Hawick was secured to help in the promotion of the Tour of Britain stage which was held in the town for the second year running.</p>

	<p>Local business, Barrie Knitwear also provided for the Tour of Britain competition, which saw Drumlanrig Primary School pupils have their winning design for a school cycling jersey created by our kit supplier, Le Col.</p> <p>Springboard Funding was also secured from Scottish Cycling for a women's event, still to be held. These restricted funds remain within the accounts.</p> <p>A notable charitable donation was made to Hawick Belles of £500 to help aid in their purchase of a gazebo. The remaining balance being grant funding of £958.49 obtained by the Belles paid to them through the club accounts.</p> <p>The balance at the end of the year was £27586.17 of which £1200 is restricted grant funding.</p> <p>All this helped the club achieve a surplus for the year of £3704.73</p> <p>The accounts for 2021/22 were approved. Proposed by Kevin Elliot and seconded by Colin Telfer</p> <p>Budget 2022/23</p> <p>The treasurer presented the budget for 2022/23 on behalf of the Committee which sets out the year's forecasted income & expenditure. The overall goal is to ensure that the club have a small surplus of funds at the year end. Members noted that the clubrooms are by far the largest item of planned expenditure and that given that few members had access to them, and they are so infrequently used, was this the best use of club resources. The question was raised as to whether they should be sold and the club hire storage for its belongings. Suggestions were made for better use of the clubrooms including social events, opening them before club runs and maintenance evenings. All suggestions which the committee agreed they should consider seriously during the coming year.</p> <p>The budget was approved. Proposed by Steven Harkness, seconded by Kevin Elliot.</p>
<p>05/22</p>	<p>Election of Officials 2022/23</p> <p>David Killean explained the constitution states that all trustees retire at the AGM however a trustee will be deemed to have been re-appointed unless they indicate they wish to stand down, or where a resolution for their re-appointment is not carried by the meeting, or where more than one person is nominated for the role in which case there is an election at the AGM.</p> <p>Andrea Pogson is stepping down from the committee. It was unknown if Alan Turnbull planned to do the same. David Killean would contact him to ascertain if he wishes to continue although this is unlikely as his attendance at meetings has been poor. All other committee members have indicated they wish to continue. Caroline Jack indicated at the meeting that she would be happy to join the committee as a member.</p>

	<p>Committee Membership for 2022/23:</p> <p>Club President: Thomas Scott Club and Race Secretary: David Killean Membership Secretary: Susan Shiel Treasurer: Iain Shiel Road Captain: Colin Telfer Timekeeper: Hamish Smith Committee Member: Kevin Elliot, Robert Scott, Steven Harkness, Caroline Jack</p>
06/22	<p>Membership Fees</p> <p>Fees for 2022/23 were set at £25 per member, £40 for families and a new Associate Membership of £5 for members living outwith the Borders Council area. The associate membership has been proposed because these members occasionally want to ride with the club and this will allow them to do so without invalidating the club's insurance. Proposed by Tosh Scott and seconded by Colin Telfer.</p>
07/22	<p>Proposed Changes to the Club Constitution</p> <p>There are a few proposed changes to the Club Constitution. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of Associate Membership (Para 11.4) • Insert new paragraph requiring all members to abide by the constitution, policies, and codes of conduct (Para 13) • Remove the need for a signature on the membership application form to allow for online completion (Para 14) • Remove November as the month for the AGM (Para 18) • Revisions to the AGM items of business (Para 32) • Reinstate the requirement of 2 signatures from the 3 signees to operate the club bank account. (Para 101) • Amend document numbering to accommodate these changes. <p>These changes were approved at the meeting Proposed Kevin Elliot, seconded Colin Telfer.</p>
08/22	<p>AOCB</p> <p>The Financial Control and Treasury Management Policy was presented to the meeting as a document to govern how the club manages it finances. It has been written in line with the requirements placed on the club as a SCIO.</p> <p>The meeting approved the policy. Proposed by Steven Harkness, seconded by Kevin Elliot.</p> <p>The Committee proposed that the club should bestow lifetime memberships on Tosh Scott and Hamish Smith. Both have been members for over 60 years and give much voluntary support towards the running of the club. The memberships will be presented to them at our next prizegiving. The proposal was accepted by the meeting.</p>