



Minutes of Meeting

Meeting: SSVC Annual General Meeting

Date: 11/01/2024 at 19:30

Venue: Blue Bell, Stoney Stanton

Attendees: Peter Gilbert, David Springett, Greg Johnson, Steve Walls, Paul Hirons, Paul Catling, Andy Cattell, Dave Farrier, Graham Ravenscroft, Elaine Ravenscroft, Sonny Ford, Dave Watson, Lou Bailey, Richard Aukland, Mini Sargent, Terry Robertson, Amanda McCulloch, David Whitehouse, Chris Depledge, Dave Needham.

1) Chairman's update

- Summary that 2023 had been a good year, with actions to try new events (both riding and social), trying to continue to build the club.
- Reference made to the improved website which now contain more information. Special note made about the inclusion of the ride planner on the website, where the club is able to increase the availability of rides for all members to use.
- 2023 saw a significant membership growth, ending the year with 104 members. Thanks to all club members for helping to make the club welcoming and inviting for new and existing riders.
- As mentioned, the Ride Planner on the club website is being populated with more rides for everyone to use and enjoy. Ride Planner is on the club website and a link is pinned to the Facebook page. All members are encouraged to use this facility, including the ability to submit routes for others to use.
- The Sunday ride leader rota will kick off again in spring, Peter Gilbert will communicate in due course. The Saturday ride rota will remain as is.
- It has been mentioned about the possibility of gravel rides being planned. Not many local gravel routes, but if anyone is interested in organising gravel rides, please let the committee know.
- Really good to see the ongoing success of Wednesday Knightriders, not only well supported through the summer months but also with winter virtual rides and shorter outside rides for the hardy riders.
- 2023 saw a continued improvement in group ride etiquette. This is very important for the safety of all our members as well as the perception of our club while out on the road

- from members of public and other road users.
- 2023 saw the issuing of our first formal risk assessment. This is an important document for the club's safeguarding requirements and contributing towards protection of all our riders. Version 1 is on the website. We have received feedback from members and version 2 will be updated and re-issued when approved by the committee.
 - For 2024, the club Facebook page will become a private group, to help protect members and also to encourage members to post and share thoughts on the page in the confidence that contributions can only be seen by club Facebook members.
 - For 2024, a ride calendar of organised rides will be posted onto the website.
 - Planned events for 2024: Riding Festival, Skegness, Ventoux, Anniversary rides will all take place this year, with other club supported events being identified during the year. Details of all to be communicated in due course, but looking forward to another good year of club events.
 - Ladies ride: had a hiatus towards the end of 2023, but it will return in 2024, most likely in the spring,
 - During 2024 we will be trying to encourage more of our paid up members to ride regularly.
 - Thanks to committee for their work over the year supporting the chairman and helping to make the club a continued success.
 - The club is pleased to share that our Club Welfare Officer, has completed the updated British Cycling Safeguarding Training programme.

2) Financial Statement

Income

Memberships £863.75
Event fees £3305.00
Kit Sales £1653.00

Total Income £5821.75

Expenditure

Affiliations and Training £277.00
Event costs £2795.86
Kit purchases £2272.96

Total Expenditure: £5345.82

Balance at Bank £2080.12
Cash in hand £55.57

3) Membership/ Subscription Update

2024 membership is open from January 1st, 2024.

Membership numbers at end of 2023 104.

Greg will write to all members in coming days to invite to join for 2024.

2024 subscriptions fees are:	Adult	£15
	Over 65	£10
	Juniors (16-18)	£7.50
	Under 16	Free

It is noted that SSVC membership fees are favourable compared to other cycle clubs in the area, and the first increase in subscription fees since the club started reflect the general increase in the costs for running the club.

4) Election of officers

All current committee member volunteered to remain in post for 2024.

Meeting attendees accepted the nominations, all nominations were seconded and it is agreed that the committee for 2024 will be:

Chair:	Peter Gilbert
Treasurer:	David Springett
Membership Secretary/Vice Chair:	Greg Johnson
Club Welfare Officer:	Steve Walls
Website:	Paul Hirons
Secretary:	Paul Catling

Andy Cattell volunteered to join the committee, he was seconded and will join the committee for 2024.

5) AOB

Gravel rides – as mentioned in Chair's update, there is an interest from some members for gravel rides. If any members would like to organise such rides, please feel free get involved.

Away days – there is a desire to arrange some longer, away day rides, away from the local routes over the course of 2024. Again, if anyone has an interest in organising/contributing to this type of activity, please feel free.