

DIDCOT PHOENIX NEWSLETTER

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WELL ATTENDED AGM

There were 40 Club members present for the AGM at Brightwell Club room. The meeting opened with a welcome from Chairman Phil Brown, who then went on to give his speech as Chairman.

He started by saying that the Club had had a very successful year with good team and individual results, we also hosted several open events and the Roller Competition which was fantastic but not for Didcot Phoenix as Reading C C won it. Phil also said that both Stan Maciak and Henry Latimer had had an exceptional season.

The Training nights had also gone down very well, thanks to the efforts of Eddie Yarker. The Spin sessions are do to start again Thursday evenings with Laura Wells and perhaps we will be able then to get a team fit enough to win back the Roller Trophy.

He also mentioned that we now have 94 Didcot Phoenix C C members and that it was good to see DPCC members in "Cycling Weekly" and other publications. He also mentioned the Forum and said that it was a good source of information, thanks to Richard Alldred for his efforts with the Web Site. Phil then thanked all the membership for the help given throughout the season.

Membership secretary, John Moody spoke about problems with the CTC insurance and it was decided to kick it on the head and advised members to join the CTC themselves or get other insurance of their own.

Mick Fountain gave a talk on a some of things on the balance sheet as Treasurer and answered a couple of questions. He mentioned that the TTs were shown as a loss as because of the CTT we had to show 2 seasons of payments in the one year, so it looked like no profit had been made, but it would correct itself on the next balance sheet.

Time Trial Secretary Phil Brown said that he was pleased that members had helped in Ken Castle's absence from timekeeping owing to his hip replacement problems, and also thanked Pauline and Tom Graystock for the selling of numbers and administration of the events and timekeeping.

Club Runs Secretary John Moody said it had been a good season for club runs and most weeks the weather had been excellent. More cafe's in our patch had been added to the list now and that most of the runs had 10-15 riders. Ten riders at least even during the Racing Season. The fixed wheel run that we had this year was great and actually faster than normal gear rides. It was also discussed going so far by car, then parking up and going further into the Cotswolds than usual.

This was followed by Election of Officers, which resulted as follows: **Chairman:** Ian Midleton, **Secretary:** Amanda Druce, **Membership Secretary:** John Moody, **Time Trial Secretary:** Phil Brown, **Social Secretary:** Laura Wells, **Touring Secretary:** John Moody, **External Publicity Officers (Press):** Steve Luck, **(Website):** Mike Cooper, **BC Secretary:** Trevor Patey, **CTT Delegates:** Marion Fountain and Phil Brown, **Trophy Officer:** Alan Allcock, **Clothing Officer:** John Moody, **Committee Members:** Nick Druce, Phil Robbins, Matt Chambers and Mark Scanlan.

Proposal 1 that only Didcot riders should ride on our championship 10 and 25 nights.. It was proposed and voted on to split the race in two, firstly Didcot Phoenix riders, with a gap and then all other riders in the second event.

Proposal 2 that all CTT rules applied to Club Time Trials as well and that they should be adhered to. A copy of these rules to be put on the event cards instead of the bit on the back where you used to put your times and events. We would also have a talk about it on a Club Night and it would be on the Web Site.

Any Other Business: Tom Graystock said that because two 10s and two 25s were needed by Juniors for their BAR, we ought to try to find a rural 25 course, so that they could ride 2 Club 25s and not be forced to ride Open events. It was decided to look for such a course. Tom also mentioned that the Juvenile Hill Climb Trophy is no longer possible as we don't ride Sulham any more and that is the hill specified for the Trophy. It was also discussed that we could have a combo Hill Climb with Reading CC and other Clubs to be run as seperate little club events one after the other on the same day. Phil Robbins is still looking for help at numbertaking and other jobs for the Cyclo Cross, please get in touch with Phil if you can help. Meeting closed at 9.28 pm.

TWO DIDCOT RIDERS GET PERSONAL BESTS

Didcot Phoenix fielded two riders in the super fast Port Talbot Wheelers 25. Fastest of them was Stan Maciak with a personal best of 54.51, followed by Steve Wright also with a personal best of 56.00.

FIVE PHOENIX RIDERS IN THE CLUB HILL CLIMB

There were six guest riders in our annual hill climb and just four Didcot Phoenix C C rode for the trophy, they were, Mike Cooper who won the trophy with 5.38.91, Steve Rowe second 6.27.02, Henry Latimer third 7.08.81 and Darren Addison fourth 8.40.37.

Because of a mistake by timekeeper Tom Graystock, who could not find the house with the sign across the road, he finished the event on another house with a sign but it turned out to be about half of the usual course which can be seen by the times done on Cray's Pond. My apologies for this, but it was the same for everyone except that no records could be broken because of the shortness. Daniel Cox only rode Cray's Pond and recorded 2.46.89 so was not able to compete in the trophy competition.

The full results for all riders is below Didcot riders in bold RED type.

Name	Club	Cray's Pond	Streatley	Total
Anton Blackie	Oxford University C C	2.33.20	2.57.95	5.31.15
Mike Cooper	Didcot Phoenix C C	2.22.09	3.16.82	5.38.91
Martin Cairns	Reading C C	2.39.89	3.25.61	6.05.50
George Miller	N/A Guest	2.45.86	3.36.11	6.21.97
Steve Rowe	Didcot Phoenix CC	2.45.80	3.41.22	6.27.02
Imogen Smith	N/A Guest	2.50.06	3.51.51	6.41.57
Philippe Essink	N/A Guest	3.02.98	3.49.09	6.52.07
Henry Latimer	Didcot Phoenix C C	2.58.20	4.10.61	7.08.81
Phil Ward	Oxford University C C	3.20.98	4.25.70	7.46.68
Darren Addison	Didcot Phoenix C C	3.27.61	5.12.76	8.40.37
Daniel Cox	Didcot Phoenix C C	2.46.89		

PENULTIMATE TIME TRIAL FOR 2009!

Steve Wright was the only DPCC rider in the event, all the rest were *come and try it* riders.

Name	Lap 1	Lap 2	Time
Steve Wright	15.02	15.35	30.37
George Miller	16.45	16.46	33.31
Phillipe Eesink	17.11	17.55	35.06
Alex Moor	18.19	18.57	37.16
Gordon Manning	21.23	22.40	44.03

EIGHT PHOENIX RIDERS IN THE WLCA 10 EVENT

Didcot fielded a strong eight-man team in the West London C A 10. Fastest was Nick Druce 23.57 followed by Ian Middleton 24.06, Steve Wright 24.24, Henry Latimer 24.52, Stan Maciak 24.57, Mick Fountain 26.05, Andy Peden 26.19 and Mark Scanlan 26.32. Laura Wells sent in an apology and DNS.

DIDCOT PHOENIX CYCLO CROSS WAS VERY WELL SUPPORTED!

There were 116 riders of all age groups who actually finished the event. In the Senior, Ladies, Juniors & Veterans event the fastest overall was Tim Dunford Hargroves Cycles in 1 hour and 53 seconds, 2nd Adrian Lansley Pedalon.co.uk @ 9 seconds, 3rd Ian Legg Owens Cycles @ 52 seconds.

Fastest Lady was Clair Smith Swindon R C @ 2 laps 55th overall. Fastest Junior was Steve James Mountain Trax @ 1 lap 24th overall Fastest Veteran was Andy Shaw MI Racing @ 1 minute 47 seconds 4th overall.

Fastest Didcot rider was Paul Lloyd 7th @ 3 minutes 42 seconds, followed by Duncan Melish 38th @ 1 lap, Dave Lloyd 40th @ 1 lap, Ian Middleton 47th @ 1 lap, Nick Druce 56th @ 2 laps, Jon Seddon 61st @ 2 laps and Greg Mook 64th @ 2 laps.

In the Youth event Rob Yeatman Oxonian C C was first in 25 minutes 38 seconds, 2nd Charlie White DHC @ 7 seconds and 3rd Harvey Lowe GA Cycles @ 55 seconds.

The Under 12s was won by Jack Philips Chapel TriStars in 10 minutes 51 seconds, 2nd Tom Sewell Swindon R C @ 25 seconds and 3rd Robin Gronbech Oxford City R C @ 38 seconds.

JUST ONE DPCC RIDER IN THE OXO CROSS

Paul Lloyd was our only rider in the Oxonian C C cross at Oxford School. He finished in 10th place overall in the main event out of 105 finishers. The winner was Adrian Lansley Pedalon.

14 RIDERS IN BOXING DAY 10

We had a good turn out for the Boxing Day ten with fourteen riders on 13 machines as one was a tandem.

The day was glorious for the time of year and some excellent rides were done. Paul Lloyd was fastest with 24.13, but the Handicap Cup was won by Stan Maciak with first class 25.05 giving him second place overall and a -3.41 handicap time. Second on handicap was Henry Latimer with -5.27 and third Paul Lloyd with -5.46. Laura supplied mince pies and Pauline coffee and tea, which went down well.

FULL RESULTS

Name	Time	H'cap Time	H' cap Position
Paul Lloyd	24:13	5:46	3rd
Stan Maciak	25:05	3:41	1st
Angus Whitfield	25:20	6:53	4th
Henry Latimer	25:27	5:27	2nd
Steve Wright	25:29	7:02	5th
Mike Cooper	26:39	8:12	6th
Mark Scanlan/Alan Allcock Tandem	26:45	-	
Dave Rodger	29:34	9:46	8th
Laura Wells	30:26	10:29	9th
Alan Shuttleworth Guest	30:28	-	
Mick Fountain	30:33	8:38	7th
Alistair Whitfield Guest	30:42	-	
Pete Annels	34:08	14:36	10th