

Management Committee Meeting:	23 March 2022
Attendees:	Ian Ainscough; Christine Paramor; Mark Taylor; Hannah Ormerod; James Morgan; Tim Cookson; Anna Woolgar; Mike Waring; Gemma Kelly;
Apologies:	Leigh Jenkins; Charlie Price; Nania Mason; Karen Collo; Lindsey Wharton; Emma Sharpe

Minutes

- JM – Cycle update - Tour of Cheshire has 145 sign ups to date. Of that 40 are club members.
 TT's have been going well and we plan to organise some more.
 Velodrome idea won't go ahead – arena being repaired and not a lot of interest.
 Plan to organise another Club Sportif. Dates need to be checked for clashes but start of July or Sept look favourite.
 Looking into organising a Grand Day Out for club members. This will involve a train to Holyhead and cycle back.
 Looking at organising a Marsh Tracks event
 Social rides have been a success and has helped to provide interest in people wanting to lead a ride.
 Group 3 have their own WhatsApp which is working well. IA suggested that the G3 rides should still be advertised on FB so that any new G3 ability riders will be able to join up.
 Another suggestion is that the club purchase some TT wheels. We would then hire them out in a similar fashion to our bike boxes. Questions were raised about insurance cover and the number of types needed. JM said they hold their value well. JM will provide more detail to put before the committee for approval
- MT - Dee Mile likely to be confirmed soon, potentially 6th Aug and will be put on Nifty soon after. MW would like to add some old photos to the Dee Mile and Club FB pages for the Dee Mile 100th year anniversary.
 MT will check at City Baths for some old photos.
 MT is looking into some additional memorabilia for the Dee Mile 100th year anniversary, such as hoodies which will be available as an extra to the event entry fee.
 MT will renew the BLDSA to provide insurance cover.
 MT – Require a Safety Officer for the Dee Mile so MT will try and qualify himself.
 MT – Volunteering ongoing. MT will contact Will Ham. to check what he needs for the 5K. MW mentioned we can possibly use the same people who have volunteered to help at the Tattenhall Borders League Event.
 MW also mentioned we will need a traffic management responsible person.
 MW will check who Tattenhall have used.

- IA has joined the Canoe and Sailing Club to provide insurance cover when using their boat. DB has also been asked to do the same.
3. ES Swim Update – ES not available in person but provided the following by email after the meeting.
 4. All swim sessions had very high demand at the start of the year - lots of new members and probably some New Years resolutions. Has calmed down a bit now.
 5. - Swim sessions now available: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat & Sun. Pre-Covid sessions that haven't been brought back yet: 6-7pm on Mon & Fri (which allowed us to split the sessions into intermediate and advanced), 3-4pm on Sat (which allowed us to split the squad swim and technique sessions). No plan to bring these sessions back yet. If CP and IM would like a whole pool for technique at 4-5pm, we could bring the Sat 3-4pm back as a squad swim, perhaps instead of the Sunday evening swim which was requested by many but is not well attended.
 6. Demand for Mondays and Saturdays has remained above the numbers available according to BTF coaching ratios, even when Claire qualified as L2 and we put the numbers up to 30.
 7. Coach availability and pool availability remain the biggest issues. I have investigated all pools in the area and there is no more suitable pool time available in the immediate future.
 8. Suggest a big push to recruit more coaches - circulating info about what is involved with club coaching because a lot of people don't know about the qualifications, that the club will pay in return for coaching commitment, etc.
 9. We also need to consider other options, such as non-BTF qualified coaches, paying for external coaches
 10. CW has stopped coaching on a Mondays, so we do need additional coaches. IA confirmed we are still waiting for the BTF to update their Covid rules which are still restricting numbers.
HO will now be doing a monthly report on swimmer attendance to give us a better grasp of swim costs.
CH asked if we still need to have a register of attendees at a coaching session – Nifty entries list is sufficient.
 11. IA asked whether anyone has an update on when the new FB page will be active – LJ oversees this and was not present to give an update.
 12. HO Treasurer update – HO gave an update on club finances and confirmed all ok but reiterated the need to monitor more closely swim costs as per above.
 13. AW – welfare has no issues. AW also mentioned that the new BTF online DBS system is now up and running, which should help any future applications to run more smoothly.
 14. IA mentioned that the BTF club webpage has now been updated with current active coaches.
 15. TC Membership update – EA 2022/23 renewals are being progressed via Nifty and will be paid to the EA after 1st April. Fees have been increased to £16. Similarly, EA Club Affiliation needs to be renewed at the same time. Trial memberships seem to be popular. CH/IA suggested we that we increase trial memberships to 2 weeks and after which an email be generated to nudge them towards joining permanently.
 16. MW/GK Run update –. Good XC season culminating in the ladies' team winning gold at the recent XC championship. MT asked if the new Wed Track Session share set up was working OK but no-one was able to confirm. MW asked if it this work if track attendee numbers become high. MW said only DT is available to coach track at the moment. IA will raise this issue with KC. CH raised the idea of promoting the lead and/or coach role with members. Highlighting that the club pay the coach course fees and offer support to qualify.

17. LW Kit update – LW asked IA to check with the committee if she could sell off any old Deva Tri hoodies and also offer the XS ladies tri-suits to the juniors at reduced cost. Both suggestions were given the OK.
18. Covid Update – ES is planning on updating the club and Nifty Covid policies inline with Govt and BTF legislation.
19. Social Update – ES not available in person but provided the following by email after the meeting.
20. Quiz night planned for 29 April at Hickory's, ES liaising with venue, will provide menu and price details as soon as venue confirms so it can be publicised.
ES would like to hand over or share the Social Sec role. No one has come forward yet, but there have been a lot of new members recently so let's please advertise the role.
20. IA asked for any feedback on how the club had performed during the Covid period. MT said event organising was more difficult and entries were lower. Online booking has been successful. MT will look into publicising the Dee Mile via Instagram. Zwift proved popular and confirmed the demise of turbo sessions. Turbos will be offered to members at a minimal cost. CH will check on the progress of the disposal and possibly advertise their availability.
21. IA/CH will arrange for the covid and newsletter ladies are added to the general committee mailing list.
22. MW confirmed that the new kit has been ordered as per members orders plus extras for general sale. MW also asked if we should offer the older kit at a reduced price once the new kit is in stock – this was agreed.

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23. Exec confirmed there will be no training camp in 2022 but would like to hold a late summer UK camp if possible. To be reviewed in the New Year.
24. Club events confirmed – Deva Tri, Deva Divas, Junior Tri and 100th Dee Mile
25. IA to check with WH and JW ref Christleton 5K and the Aquathlon.

- Next meeting – 27th April – Management Committee

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