

Aberdeen Ecurie Neep Mountain Bike Club



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Date of Meeting:	Friday 4th Nov 2011	Location:	O'Neill's (Pub) 9-10, Back Wynd, Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire AB10 1JN
Subject: Annual General Meeting AGENGA (AGM)			
Meeting held upstairs at 7pm.			

Purpose of Meeting:
Discuss the past year and future plans.

Present at Meeting	
<u>Attended</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
Gavin Taylor Neil MacMillan David Adams Wayne Boyd Rolf Christensen Tegwen Northam Russell	Bruce.Milne Leon.Murray

Minutes Originator	
Name:	Wayne Boyd
Date:	11/11/11

Distribution: (All Attendees and the Following)
None

Attachments:
None

Item	Description	Action Party / Date
1	Car Pooling	
	<p>The issue of car pooling journeys to and from club rides in general was raised. We all normally do a pretty good job of doubling up on car usage when the ride is further afield, but it was generally agreed that more could be done to try to offer lifts to those without transport and just to save on fuel in general.</p> <p>The difficulty is always in being organised enough to communicate how and when to meet. It was suggested that if you are willing to offer lifts in general that people might consider putting a message in their forum signature to that effect (stating where they are based, so that people can infer when they might be passing close enough to join with on any particular ride)</p>	

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	<p>e.g.:-</p> <p>"I'm normally happy to offer lifts to people if I'm passing. I'm based in Stonehaven, so just ask if you think I might be coming your way."</p> <p>Neil is also to put a message to ask people to make these kind of offers onto the "Ridelist" page of the website</p>	Neil MacMillan								
2	Forum too complex?									
	<p>It was suggested that the Neep discussion forum was too complex, making it too hard to find new stuff.</p> <p>The fact that new stuff is pointed out to you by the orange flags was discussed, but some still felt it was too complex.</p> <p>This will be raised by Wayne on the forum itself to see what the general feeling is.</p>	Wayne Boyd								
3	CTC costs									
	<p>CTC have increased their charge from £10/person to £14/person. It is too late to pass this on to members for this year, but next year the CTC inclusive membership fee will be £24/person.</p>									
4	Committee Members									
	<p>Unfortunately Tegwen Northam has had to submit her resignation as Treasurer for the club. After a general discussion Rolf Christensen was voted in as the new Treasurer.</p> <p>David Adams has also volunteered to take over from Tegwen in leading the less technical Saturday rides.</p> <p>This makes the current office holders for the club as follows:-</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Chairman & Website Admin</td> <td>Wayne Boyd</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vice Chairman & Ride-list Author</td> <td>Neil MacMillan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer & Membership Co-ord.</td> <td>Rolf Christensen</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Saturday Ride Leader</td> <td>David Adams</td> </tr> </table>	Chairman & Website Admin	Wayne Boyd	Vice Chairman & Ride-list Author	Neil MacMillan	Treasurer & Membership Co-ord.	Rolf Christensen	Saturday Ride Leader	David Adams	
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5	Holiday									
	A few options for the Neep annual holiday were discussed.									

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	Wayne is to put a request out on the forum for suggestions. A couple to start with are:- 1. http://www.rivierabike.co.uk/ 2. Verbier – Powder & Dust	
6	Financial	
	Tegwen gave the meeting an update of where we are financially as a club. Although funds are not depleted we do have a diminishing amount coming in from membership this year (partly due to CTC putting their prices up, and partly due to lower numbers).	
7	Saturday Rides	
	As mentioned above, David Adams has volunteered to lead a new series of Saturday rides. These rides are to be a similar spec to Tegwen's rides in that they will be less technical and more focused on fitness. This will give us an organised ride to point people to if they are not so keen on the technical stuff we do on normal club rides. David to co-ordinate with Neil to get details of his upcoming rides onto the ride list page.	David Adams / Neil MacMillan
8	Increase profile of the club	
	Wayne has taken on the task of creating posters to advertise the club and various members mentioned that they would be able to distribute such posters around workplaces etc. Neil / Gavin / Tegwen to forward any logo files or other electronic graphic files to Wayne. Wayne to create posters.	Neil MacMillan Gavin Taylor Wayne Boyd
9	Forestry Commission	
	It was raised that communication with the forestry commission could not be at a lower level, and that it is in all our interests to have a healthy dialog with the FC to ensure our voice is heard alongside all other interest groups, In the role of chairman, Wayne is to try to re-open this dialog.	Wayne Boyd