

The Forty Plus Cycling Club

Year 1953

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FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Monday April 20th 1953 at the "ONE TUN" P.H. Saffron Hill, E.C.1. at 6.30.p.m.

ATTENDANCE.

Mr. E.P.Groom (Chairman) Mrs. M.A.Lang, Mrs.D.Groom
Messrs. W.R.O.Pilgrim, C.Pett, T.F.Evans, S.Tackley
W.E.Dadd, and A.H.Marshall (Hon.Sec.)

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday Decr.15th 1952 were read and confirmed. The Chairman stated that the Cecil Cooke Memorial ride had received several complimentary reports from people taking part, on the excellent way the run had been organised, and the Committee's thanks were accorded to Mrs.Lang and others, for their work in this direction, and also especially to Mr.Evans, who had made a great effort in order to guide a contingent from the south side of the river.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Hon.Secretary reported that the current paid up membership was 79, and that there was now a credit balance in the club funds of £24.12.10. Although this is quite satisfactory, it was stressed that as most members had renewed there would be little further income this year.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

The following members were elected :-

Mr.T.Williams.	Mr.J.Burcham.
Mr.E.G.Fitzpatrick.	Mr. A.W.Wilcox.
Mr.&.Mrs.Bradnam	Mr.A.L.Ford.

RUNS PROGRAMMES.

In view of the fact that the most contentious item on the agenda of the 3rd A.G.M. appeared to be the question of runs, the Hon.Sec. felt that the C'Tee should have an opportunity to discuss this at length. It was considered that, on the whole, the remarks at the A.G.M. did not produce any serious criticism of the runs programme or arrangements. The flexibility of the scheme provided facilities for members to fit in with their own capabilities. It was suggested that the morning break should be kept short so that the party arrived in good time to take lunch promptly. This should enable an earlier start to be made in the afternoon, and avoid a rush to the tea stop.

Mrs.Groom brought up the suggestion that no runs should be scheduled for Bank Holiday weekends as so many members went on tours. It was pointed out that one of the unwritten rules of the club was that there should be a run every Sunday. It was, however, agreed that no run should be arranged for August Bank Holiday weekend and that a note of explanation should be put on the runs list. The leaders will test the reactions of

members so that a notion may be submitted at the next A.G.M. The four-weekly sequence of runs would not be upset, and therefore the S.E.run would be omitted. Mr. Evans will make any impromptu arrangements for members desiring to meet. Mrs. Lang intimated that the N.E. SECTION will hold a "Coronation Run" to Murray's Barn Come Guest House, Thundersley, on June 2nd. Special details will be sent to all members.

RUNS LISTS.

The Hon.Sec. suggested that as the Club had now a financial reserve, the runs lists should be printed. Mrs.Lang suggested that the reserve was not yet sufficient to embark on this project, but after discussion it was proposed by Mr.Pilgrim and seconded by Mr.Dadd that the lists should be printed for the rest of the year, i.e. two quarters. This was voted upon and carried, with one abstension.

ADVERTISING

The question of advertising was raised. It was pointed out that this was too expensive, and in the past had brought poor results. It was agreed, however, that any reports in local newspapers etc., were desirable, and should be encouraged.

C.T.C.VETERANS RIDE (Ladies)

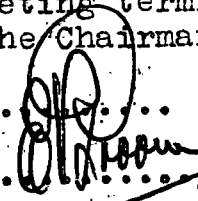
Mrs.Groom suggested that several lady members might care to ride in the C.T.C. Ladies 75 in 9 on Sept.6th. It was agreed that several might do so, and any entry forms should be sent to Mrs.Groom so that they can be dealt with en bloc. Mr.Pett suggested that a repair gang be formed to follow them round the course!!

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 8.45.p.m. with a Note of thanks to the Chairman.

Signed....

Chairman..

Date.....


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FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB. LIST OF MEMBERS UP TO JUNE 30th 1953

- Mr. S. J. Ager, 29 Newport Rd. Saffron Walden, Essex.
Mr. W. Birchell, 3, Whitworth Road, S. E. 18.
Mr. H. E. Berry, 81 Leyton Park Road, Leyton, E. 10.
Mr. Mrs. P. A. T. Baker, 34, Wiltshire Close, S. W. 3.
Mr. & Mrs. H. O. Blomley, 126, Abercorn Crescent, South Harrow, M' ddx.
Miss R. Bowell, 17, Alan Gardens, Romford, Essex.
Mr. W. Blackburn, 23, Crawley Rd. Leyton E. 10.
Mr. J. H. Bolch, 46 Priory Park Rd. Kilburn, N. W. 6.
Mr. S. Baron, c/o News Chronicle, Bouverie St. E. C. 4.
Mr. J. H. Burcham, 10, Ryecroft Rd. Chesham, Bucks.
Mr. Mrs. P. Bradnam, The Bungalow, E assingbourn, East Royston, Herts.
Mrs. W. Cooke, 49 Homewood Road, St. Albans, Herts.
Mrs. E. Cole, 4, Cromartie Road, N. 19.
Mr. G. L. Canham, 21, Devoh Close, Perivale, Greenford, Middlesex.
Mr. J. Cohen, 67, Carnforth Gardens, Elm Park, Romford.
Mr. F. Drewitt, 37, Lanfranc Rd. E. 3.
Mr. W. E. Dadd, 41, Brookville Rd. Fulham, S. W. 6.
Mrs. R. M. DuHeaume, Wood Barn, Boss Lane, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe.
Mr. Mrs. T. F. Evans, 121 Donderry Road, Downham, Bromley, Kent.
Mr. Ed. Edwards, 51, Langhorne Road, Dagenham, Essex.
Mr. H. H. England, "Woodbury" Fairview Road, Chigwell, Essex.
Mr. H. L. Fletcher, 42, Cambridge Avenue, N. W. 6.
Mr. E. G. Fitzpatrick, 7, Queensbury Road, Kingsbury, N. W. 9.
Mr. A. L. Ford, 21, Oak Avenue, Upminster, Essex.
Mr. & Mrs. E. P. Groom, "Clovelly" Elstree Road, Bushey Heath, Herts.
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. George, 56, Lime Grove, W. 12.
Mrs. M. Godsmark, 27 Orchard Avenue, Ashford, Middlesex.
Mr. A. G. Harris, 30 Anwell End, Ware, Herts.
Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Hardy, 513 Hornsey Road, N. 19
Mr. J. W. Handley, 17, Rathecoole Gardens N. 8.
Mr. T. Hubbard, 27 Midland Terrace, Cricklewood, N. W. 2.
Miss V. F. Holland, 22 Woodgrange Gardens, Bush Hill Park, Enfield, M' ddx.
Mr. & Mrs. D. M. Irving, 65, Greyhound Road, W. 6.
Mr. F. S. Johnson, 73, Martindale Road, Hounslow West, Middlesex.
Mr. E. C. Jeffreys, 2, Bramston Rd., Harlesden N. W. 10.
Mr. & Mrs. A. E. Lang, 11, Lyttelton Road, Leyton, E. 10.
Mrs. E. A. Lane, "Homefield" Swanley Lane, Swanley, Kent.
Mr. & Mrs. A. H. Marshall, 55, Tawny Avenue, Upminster, Essex.
Mr. G. L. Moore, 6, George Lane, S. Woodford E. 18
Mr. F. H. Nelson, 112, Swingate Lane, S. E. 18.
Mr. A. G. Neville, 44, Uplands Road, N. 8.
Mr. Ed. G. Newman, 21, Radipole Road, Fulham S. W. 6.
Mr. S. Newman, 21, Radipole Road, Fulham S. W. 6.
Mr. D. A. Osborn, 45, The Drive, Potters Bar, Middlesex.
Mr. & Mrs. C. Pett, 3, Linnell Road, Edmontpn, N. 18
Mr. H. J. Press, 13, Risingholme Road, Wealdstone, Middlesex.
Mr. W. R. O. Pilgrim, 515, Commonsides East, Mitcham, Surrey.
Mr. L. Pemberton, 179, Parkhurst Road, E. 12.
Mr. S. R. Russell, 66, Church Road, Ponders End, Middlesex.
Mr. H. Scouse, 35, High St. Hornchurch, Essex.
Mr. & Mrs. L. Seymour, 85, Toms Lane, King's Langley, Herts.
Mr. S. Sherman, 12, Prebend St. N. 1.
Mr. Geo. Smerdon, 21a, Beverley Avenue, Canvey Island, Essex.
Mr. F. S. Searle, 23, Southern Way, Romford.
Mr. R. C. Shaw, 20, Ebrington Rd. Kenton, Harrow, Middlesex.
Mrs. E. Stancer, "Lyncroft" Packhorse Road, Gerrards Cross, Bucks.
Mr. S. A. Tackley, 127, Brownspring Drive, New Eltham S. E. 9.
Mr. H. C. Turner, 75, Glenwood Gardens, Ilford, Essex.
Mr. I. J. Thompson, 27, Alloa Road, Goodmayes, Essex.
Mr. C. C. Winter, 48, Northumberland Road, North Harrow, Middlesex.
Mr. T. Wooder, 128 Upminster Road, Rainham, Essex.
Mr. H. Webb, 72, Gladstone Road, Watford.
Mr. J. A. R. West, 43, Butts Green Road, Hornchurch Essex.
Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Weaire, 20 Park Drive, Upminster, Essex.
Mr. T. Williams, 34, Headcorn Road, Bromley, Kent
Mr. A. W. Wilcox, 9, Gourley St. Tottenham N. 15.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Monday October 5th 1953 at the "ONE TUN" P.H. Saffron Hill, E.C.I. at 6.30.p.m.

ATTENDANCE.

Mr. E.P.Groom (Chairman) Mrs.M.A.Lang, Mrs.D.Groom; Messrs. W.R.O.Pilgrim, W.E.Dadd, C.Pett T.F.Evans, S.Tackley, and A.H.Marshall (Hon.Secretary).

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, April 20th 1953, were read and confirmed. The Chairman asked what comments had been received on the omission of the run on August Bank Holiday weekend. No criticism had been received from members, but Mr. Evans voiced the opinion that a run should be arranged on every Sunday. Mrs.Lang reminded the Committee that she had arranged a run for Decr.27th, although this was part of the Xmas weekend.

Mr.Pilgrim asked why the runs lists had not been printed as was agreed, and the Hon.Sec. stated that this had not been possible because of the delay in receiving the draft lists from the Leaders. It was decided that the runs proposals must be in the hands of the Hon.Sec. at least four weeks before the end of the previous quarter. The Chairman reported that the C.T.C. Ladies'75 in 9 had been cancelled through lack of support, but that of 12 entrants 6 came from this Club.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The current paid up membership was 82, and several other prospective members had been invited to trial runs. The Hon.Secretary had paid £5. on the Annual Dinner, and an amount of just over £3. on stationery was outstanding. The credit balance stood at about £12. This was satisfactory.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS.

The following members were elected :- *Wm*
Mr. L.Pemberton; Mr.J.E.Markey; Miss H.M.Dal-Piero.

ANNUAL DINNER

Mr & Mrs. Groom gave a report on their progress in making arrangements for the ANNUAL DINNER. It was noted that Mr. and Mrs.England were to be present, and the toasts were discussed. There was some doubt as to whether some of the possible speakers would be available, and it was agreed that the arrangements should be left to the discretion of Mr & Mrs. Groom.

RESIGNATION OF LEADER.

Mr. T.Evans had intimated that he had now decided not to resign the leadership of the S.E.Section, and both the Chairman and the Hon.Sec. expressed their pleasure that Mr.Evans would continue in office.

SOCIAL VISITS.

Several possible visits were mentioned, and it was agreed that particulars of these should be given in the next runs lists.

NEWS SHEETS.

The N.E. Section News Sheet was discussed at some length. The most important point was as to whether it was legitimate for any one section or individuals to publish and circulate broadsheets &c., It was at length agreed that the C'tee give their authority for the publication of the N.E. Section News Sheet until the A.G.M. when the position would be discussed.

The meeting terminated at 8.45.p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Date..... 30/12/53

Signed..... B. G. Brown

Chairman.

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FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday Decr. 30th 1953 at the "ONE TUN" P.H. Saffron Hill E.C.I. at 6.30 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Mr. E.P. Groom (Chairman) Mrs. M.A. Lang, Messrs. W.R.O. Pilgrim, W.E. Dadd, C. Pett, S. Tackley and A.H. Marshall (Hon. Secretary). Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Mrs. D. Groom, Messrs H. Webb and T. Evans.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, October 3rd 1953 were confirmed. The Hon. Secretary pointed out that it had again not been possible to have the runs lists printed as the information on runs had not been received from some leaders until too late. It was agreed that a margin of six weeks was desirable.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Hon. Secretary reported that the present paid up membership was 90. The actual credit balance of the Club, including some subscriptions for 1954 already paid, was about £20.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS. The following members were elected:- Mrs. E.F. Canham, Mr & Mrs. F.W. Folds, Mr. H.L. Lincoln, Mr. H.R. Norman, Mr. H.F. Perry, Mr. R.L. Reid, Mr. W.F. Stiles, Mr. B. Worth.

HON. SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT. In the absence of Mrs. Groom, Mr. Groom gave the report on the Annual Dinner. All Committee members expressed their thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Groom for the excellent arrangements that had been made. Unfortunately a deficit of £2.5.0. had been made, but remittances for two tickets had not yet been received. The Committee recommended that application be made for this, and if received the loss would then only be 15/- The Hon. Secretary produced the photographs taken at the dinner, and it was agreed that they should be passed round the sections by the leaders for orders, and produced at the A.G.M.

ALTERATION OF SECTION BOUNDARIES. Mr. Pett described a suggestion to alter the section boundaries, either by making 5 sections or altering the location of the present four sections. In support the Hon. Secretary mentioned that one member had already approached him on the matter of runs. After discussion it was agreed that five sections would upset the scheme of runs and was not necessary. It was agreed to place before the A.G.M. a scheme for sections in N.S.W.&E. to have runs in that order. The East section would take runs in the N. Kent area. The Leaders would suggest meeting places to be recommended to the A.G.M. As Mr,

Evans had definitely decided to resign leadership of the S.E. Section it was agreed to nominate on behalf of the Committee Mr. C. Fott or Mr. Wooder as leaders of the East Section.

COUNTRY SECTIONS

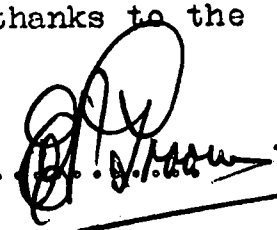
The Hon. Secretary read correspondence from a member from Bournemouth who, with his wife, had joined the Club. The member had been invited to be present or represented before and at the A.G.M. to discuss country sections.

CLUB PUBLICATIONS.

It was agreed that the subject of Club publications should be put to the A.G.M. for discussion.

There being no other business to discuss the meeting terminated at 9.10.p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Date.....11/2/54.....

Signed.....
Chairman.....

FORRY PLUS CYCLING CLUBTHIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

SECOND

MINUTES of the ~~Third~~ Annual General Meeting held at the Albert Tavern Victoria St. London S.W.1. on Saturday 21st March 1953 at 3.0.p.m.

The meeting opened at 3.20.p.m. under the Chairmanship of Mr.E.P.Groom, who welcomed the President, Mrs. W. Cooke, and the members.

ATTENDANCE

Thirty seven members signed the attendance register, and several were unable to attend owing to the clashing with a V.T.T.A. meeting. The Chairman expressed the regrets of the meeting that Mr. A.E.Lang was unable to be present because of his accident.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Second Annual General Meeting were adopted as circularized. Proposed Mr.Johnson, seconded Mrs. Lang.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT & ACCOUNTS

The Hon.Secretary briefly recounted the information in his report. Mr. Tackley stated that although he found no fault with the accounts he was perturbed that they shewed a small excess of expenditure, although in fact there were assets in a stock of badges worth over £10. It was pointed out that this fact was recorded in the accounts, and a letter in reply from the Hon.Auditor was read. This was accepted by the meeting, and Mr. Tackley therefore did not wish to press his point. Miss Bowell asked for details of the expenditure on "Section Leaders expenses..." and in this was supported by Mrs. M.A.Lang. It was agreed that, in future, accounts of this expenditure should be given in greater detail. The Secretary's report and Accounts were then accepted as printed, unanimously, and the members expressed their appreciation of the services of the Hon.Auditor.

RESOLUTIONS

- (a)(i) The Executive Committee asked that rule 8 be amended so that the A.G.M. could in future be held in January instead of March. This was desirable in order that the accounts could be put before the members at the earliest possible time and officers &c. for the year elected. Mr. Canham proposed that the rule be amended so that the meeting be held definitely on the last Saturday in January, and that the length of notice for matters for the Agenda be reduced to two weeks before that day. This was agreed.
- (ii) The alteration of rule 2 to include "other areas where there is sufficient support" was discussed at some length, and difficulties of administration and finance were brought forward. The Chairman, however, pointed out that it was to enable such extensions to be considered

that the alteration was desired, and that details would have then to be submitted to the members. Mr. Irving proposed that item (a)(ii) be accepted and be referred back to the Committee for the production of a workable scheme for the administration of such sections. This was seconded by Mr. S. Newman, and agreed.

- (b) Mr. Neville again raised the question of the formation of a "Northern Central Section" and the policy of forming further sections within the London area as a general matter was discussed at considerable length. It was pointed out by many members that they were in a similar position and could not start at the meeting places, but they carried out the basic principle of the club, and met at other convenient points. The motion was put to the meeting and defeated, but it was suggested by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Irving that it be left to the runs leaders to produce alternative meeting places to enable members to go for shorter runs. This was carried.

The Committee will meet shortly to discuss the question of runs and sections in the light of these minutes, and will circularize their findings, probably with the next runs lists.

- (c) Mr. Groom put the proposal made by Mr. & Mrs. L. Seymour (who were unable to be present) with regard to a Club Magazine. Twelve copies per year were suggested, and it was estimated this would cost 7/6d per year, provided there was a guaranteed circulation of 75 copies. The Hon. Sec. pointed out that at present only 71 copies of the runs lists went out, and therefore every family of members would HAVE to take a magazine. Members pointed out that this was tantamount to increasing the sub. by 7/6d. and although the idea was unanimously accepted as desirable, it was agreed that at present the time was not ripe for such a venture. The Hon. Sec. added that he would be only too pleased to add any paragraphs of interest to the runs list, thus making a nucleus of a magazine, so long as the paper consumption was kept within reasonable limits. No seconder was forthcoming for the motion.

OFFICIALS

Mr. Irving intimated that owing to difficulties with shift working he could not adequately carry out the work of section leader, and therefore resigned. The Chairman expressed the regret of the members and their thanks for the work Mr. Irving had performed in the past. Mr. Meers was not present, and was not therefore re-elected as deputy leader of the S.E. section. The

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following officials were therefore proposed & elected

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| (a) | PRESIDENT | Mrs. W. Cooke |
| (b) | CHAIRMAN | Mr. E.P.GROOM |
| (c) | HON. SECRETARY | Mr. A.H. Marshall. |
| (d) | SOCIAL SECRETARY | Mrs. E.P Groom. |
| (e) | DISTRICT LEADERS | (f) DEPUTY LEADERS. |
| | N.E. Mrs. M.A.Lang | Mr.C.Pett |
| | N.W. Mrs.E.P.Groom | Mr.H.Webb. |
| | S.W. Mr.W.R.O.Pilgrim | Mr. W.E.Dadd, |
| | S.E. Mr.T.F.Evans. | Mr.S.A.Tackley. |

There being no other business to perform the meeting closed at 5.15.p.m. with a vote of thanks to the President and to the Chairman, and thirty three members than sat down to tea Several afterwards toured the West end viewing the shops and other sights.