

The Forty Plus Cycling Club

Year 1954

FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

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THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

MINUTES of the Third Annual General Meeting held at the Albert Tavern Victoria St.S.W.I. on Sat.30th Jan.1954 at 2.30.pm. (Note it was decided at the meeting that this is the Third not Fourth A.G.M. and previous Minutes should be corrected)

The Meeting opened at 2.45.pm. with Mr.Groom in the chair; The Chairman welcomed the President, Mrs.Cooke, and all members.

ATTENDANCE. Forty members were present, and apologies for absence were received from Mr.H.L.Lincoln and Mr.T.F.Evans.

MINUTES. On the suggestion of the Chairman the Minutes of the A.G.M.held in March 1953 were adopted as circularised, subject to an addition on the 6th line of the minutes re Hon.Secretary's report, suggested by Mr.Tackley, which now reads "a stock of badges worth over £10 all charged against this year's accounts". Proposed Mr.H.Webb, seconded Mr.Pilgrim, carried unanimously.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT & ACCOUNTS. After the Hon.Secretary had read his report, and briefly amplified one or two points, discussion ensued on the deficit on the Annual dinner.Mr.Groom pointed out that the cost had been worked out to just cover costs, but that there was a remittance outstanding for 2 tickets, which, if recovered, would reduce the deficit to 15/- Mr.Webb proposed, and Mr.Irving seconded the adoption of the report & accounts, adding a vote of thanks to the Hon.Secretary and Auditor for their work.

RESOLUTIONS. (a)(i) The Hon.Secretary first read two letters, one from The S.E.Leader, Mr.Evans, expressing his desire to resign the Leadership; the second letter from Mr.Smerdon (Canvey Island) drew attention to the very few runs which he could reach. Mr.Pett proposed for the Executive C'tee the proposal to substitute four sections N.W.S.& E for the NE.NW.SW.& SE respectively.It was also suggested that alternative meeting places should be provided. It was indicated that the E.section should cover the north area of Kent - Maidstone, Tonbridge, Edenbridge, as well as S.E.Essex. It was also agreed no fixed demarkation line should be made for any section, and the Leaders would meet each quarter to arrange runs so that they were well distributed. The motion was seconded by Mr.Edwards and carried with only one vote against.

(a)(ii) The desirability of publishing some form of News Sheet or magazine was discussed. Mr.Seymour stated that the conditions for producing a magazine were the same as last year, and it was therefore agreed that at present a magazine could not be published. After consider-

able discussion Mr. Fitzpatrick proposed that a News Sheet be published quarterly, along with the runs list. Seconded by Mr. Tackley, and carried unanimously. The phrase "other publications be first submitted to the Committee" be deleted.

(b) The Hon. Secretary stated that the Hon. Auditor had pointed out a weakness in Rule 8, in that if anything prevented the meeting being held on the appointed date, it would strictly be necessary to call an Extraordinary General Meeting to fix a new date before the A.G.M. could be held. Mr. Osborn explained in detail, and on seconding by Mr. Perry, the motion was carried unanimously.

COUNTRY SECTIONS.

The Hon. Secretary said that a member and his wife had been elected in Bournemouth, and he was endeavouring to get together other interested parties. The Hon. Sec. referred to the discussion on the matter of country sections at the last A.G.M. and suggested that the finance might be on the basis of 1 subscription in 10 being paid over for the administrative costs, the rest being spent by the section. Mr. Edwards proposed that the whole of the arrangements be left in the hands of the Executive C'tee, seconded by Mr. Wooder & carried unanimously.

OFFICIALS.

The President, Chairman and Hon. Secretary all expressed a desire to stand down, and for other nominations. Appreciation of the services of all were expressed by many members, and after discussion each agreed to re-election.

		<u>PROPOSED.</u>	<u>SECONDED</u>
(a)	PRESIDENT		
(a)	PRESIDENT. Mrs. W. Cooke.	Mr. Groom	Mr. Marshall
(b)	CHAIRMAN. Mr. E. P. Groom.	Mr. Marshall	Mr. Wooder.
(c)	HON. SEC'TY. Mr. Marshall	Mr. Irving	Mr. Fletcher.
(d)	SOC. SEC'TY. Mr. E. Edwards.	Mr. Irving.	Mr. Pilgrim.
(c)	<u>DISTRICT LEADERS.</u>		
	N. Mrs. Lang. }	Mr. Irving	Mr. Wooder.
	W. Mrs. Groom }	"	"
	S. Mr. Pilgrim }	"	"
	E. Mr. Wooder	Mrs. Lang.	Mr. Weaire.
	<u>DEPUTY LEADERS.</u>		
(f)	N. Mr. Pett }	Mr. Webb.	Mr. Marshall
	S. Mr. Dadd. }	"	"
	E. Mr. Tackley)	"	"
	W. Mr. Canham }	"	Mrs. Lang.
(g)	HON. EDITOR. Mr. L. Seymour.	Mr. Irving	Mr. Edwards
(h)	HON. AUDITOR. Mr. Osborn	Mr. Groom.	Mr. Marshall.

The meeting terminated at 5.0 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, who had so ably piloted the meeting to a prompt conclusion.

Chairman
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HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 1954.

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During the fourth year the Club has continued to expand, and is now firmly established as a factor in the Cycling World. Our membership passed the century during the year, and to celebrate this, the one hundredth member was admitted free for the year. Membership on Decr. 31st was 104. Many members have already renewed for 1955, but it is too early yet to say whether there will be many who do not continue.

Financially the position is quite satisfactory. You will have seen from the Statement of Accounts that there is a cash balance of over £28 at the end of the year, but against this there stands an unpaid account for the handbooks. This is due to some difficulty over the Printers' account, which has now yet been paid.

The Club has succeeded in providing a News Letter four times during the year, and the Editor, who has, so far, had ample "copy" is to be congratulated upon the production.

The Committee has met four times, and attendance by Committee members has been very good. On one occasion our President travelled from St. Albans to honour us with her presence. Mr. Groom has again been a very able Chairman, and I would like to thank him personally for the assistance he has always given to me. I am sorry to say that owing to his other very heavy commitments he has found it necessary to decline nomination to the Chair again for the ensuing year.

Runs have been held on every Sunday again this year, and attendances have been exceptionally good. In fact, at times, leaders have been embarrassed in finding accommodation for the numbers for meals. There have also been short holiday tours each of the public holidays, and one party toured Austria for a fortnight during the Summer.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Albert Tavern on Decr 3rd and was attended by 60 members and friends. The falling off of the numbers gives concern because the dinner will become an uneconomic proposition if there is not more support.

The four section leaders and their deputies are to be thanked for the way in which they have planned our runs, and generally made contact with the members. Without their help it would not be possible to carry on the business of the Club.

The first country section has been formed at Bournemouth, and is thriving under the leadership of Mr. F.W. Folds.

You will see from the Agenda that items appear which require the urgent attention of members; I refer to the question of runs, and the dinner. You all know that I have left London, and must, therefore, resign the position of Secretary, but I would like to say at this, my last meeting, that I fear the greatest enemy of the Club's existence in the next two or three years - indeed at any time - will be the lack of interest of members in the Club's most important functions - The Annual General Meeting and the Dinner.

I would like, as a conclusion, to thank all the members of the Committee for the help that they have given to me in the carrying out of my duties as Secretary, and to you members, for the splendid way in which you pay your subscriptions when they fall due.

Finally, the Hon. Auditor:- he always comes last, probably because his effort, the Statements of Accounts, follows. This year particularly, he must receive special mention, because in order to help me get out the notices, he prepared the account in four days, and sent his sub. and a small donation as well!

15th January 1955.

A.H. Marshall,
Hon. Secretary.

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FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB?

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Thursday February 18th 1954
at the "ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM" St. John St. E.C.1. at 6.45.p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Mrs.W.Cooke (President) Mr.E.P.Groom (Chairman)
Mrs.M.A.Lang, Messrs, Canham, Dadd, Edwards, Pett,
Pilgrim, Seymour, Tackley, Wooder and A.H.Marshall,
Hon.Secretary. Apologies for absence were received from
Mrs.Groom. The Chairman remarked that this was the most
representative meeting held so far, and particularly
welcomed the President, Mrs.Cooke, and the new Committee
members.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday,
30th December 1953 were read and approved. The dinner
deficit was discussed. No remittance had so far been
received for the outstanding ticket money, but it was
decided not to press the matter further, the money owing
being considered as a "bad debt".

HON. SECRETARY'S
REPORT.

The Hon.Secretary reported that the membership and :
financial position was good. Membership was now 93
members, of which 65 had renewed. New handbooks were
required, but after allowing for this, and other
expenses it was expected that at least £10 could be put
away for the future. Mr Seymour suggested that if the
membership was divided into sections it indicated that
further members were desirable, and suggested advert-
ising. Mr.Wooder seconded the proposal. This was carried
and it was agreed that an advertisement should be in-
serted in the C.T.C.Gazette for April.

ELECTION OF
NEW MEMBERS.

The following members were elected :- Mr and Mrs.
H.S.Newcombe, Mr.G.M.Reid.

MEETING PLACES. The following meeting places for runs were agreed upon

- N.Section A.Wilfred Lawson, Woodford.
B.The Cambridge. N.Circ.Road.
C.Finchley War Memorial.
- S.Section. A.Putney Bridge
or at elevenses stop.
- W.Section. A.Stanmore Broadway
B,Hanger Lane Station.
- E.Section. A.Woolwich Ferry. South side.
B.Gallows Corner.

RUNS LISTS.

A long discussion ensued to arrange the runs for

April - June. These will be circulated in due course, and will include a weekend at Brackley under the direction of Mr. Seymour.

NEWS SHEET.

Mr. Seymour asked for further information about the News Sheet, and it was proposed by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Pilgrim that up to £5 per annum be spent upon the News Sheet, the content and form being left to the Editor. Copy to be sent to the Editor not less than four weeks before the end of the previous quarter.

COUNTRY SECTIONS.

The Hon. Secretary asked for Committee approval of the suggestion that Country sections be asked to send the first in every ten subscriptions to cover administration costs, and that they received one copy of publications for each such subscription, paying their own way for section runs lists &c. and to submit accounts each year for inclusion in the Annual Report. This was seconded by Mr. Wooder and carried. Mr. Seymour suggested that ~~he would organise a weekend~~ to Winchester area to meet the Bournemouth members in the summer. It was agreed that it would be by runs such as this that contact could be maintained with such sections.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. Tackley raised the question of social activities, and it was agreed that if possible further visits should be arranged. Mr. Tackley has now a visit to a Power Station in hand.

RUNS.

Before concluding, Mr. Groom referred to the cancellation of a run, and the fact that one member did turn out at the elevenses' stop. After considerable discussion it was emphasised that no run should be cancelled.

ANNUAL L. DINNER

Mr. Edwards suggested preliminary arrangements in connection with the Annual Dinner. It was agreed to hold this function at the Albert Tavern as before.

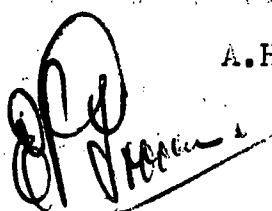
DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the Committee should meet again on Tuesday, May 25th 1954.

There being no other business to discuss the meeting terminated at 9.30.p.m. with a vote of thanks to the President and the Chairman.

24th February 1954.

A. H. MARSHALL
Hon. Secretary.



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LIST OF FIXTURES. JAN: FEB: MAR: 1954

DATE.	MEET AT	LUNCH	TEA.
	9.30.am. 11.0.am.	1.0.pm.	4.30.pm.
Dec 27.	N.E. ALTERATION. Members make their own way to join Xmas week- enders at MURRAY'S. BARN COMBE. HAZLEMERE RD. THUNDERSLEY.		
Jan 3	S.W. Esher. Sandown T.Rms.	FETCHAM. Shamrock.	BURGH HEATH. Willow T.Rms.
Jan 10	N.W. WEST HERTS. BYE-WAYS RICKMANSWORTH. Colne View Cafe.	WATER END. Red Lion.	BARNET. King Wm IV. 18 Hadley Highstone
Jan 17	S.E. GREEN ST. GREEN. Pavilion.	BOROUGH GREEN. Four Ways.	KNOCKHOLT. Crown.
Jan 24	N.E. A RUSSELL RAMBLE CHESHUNT. Windmill" Windmill St.	BURNHAM GREEN Club Cottage.	HATFIELD. Marshmoor.
JAN 30TH.	A.G.M. ALBERT TAVERN. VICTORIA ST. 2.30PM. SEE BELOW.		
Jan 31	S.W. EGHAM Old House.	FRIMLEY GREEN. Victory Cafe.	CHOBHAM. Old King's Head.
Feb 7	N.W. CHILTERNS AGAIN! FLAUNDEN Old Forge Cafe.	Gt. MISSENDEN Red Lion.	CHALFONT St. Giles. Stacey's.
Feb 14	S.E. DOWNE Cooper's Cafe	GODSTONE Curds.	OTFORD. Ivy Cottage.
Feb 21	N.E. INVITATION RUN TO V.T.T.A. AND WIVES. ROYDON Temple Inn	ALBURY Catherine Wheel.	CHURCHGATE St. Queens Hd. (Harlow)
Feb 28	S.W. DORKING Queen's Cafe.	PARK ST. Thistle Snack Bar.	BURGH HEATH Willow T.Rms.
Mar 7	N.W. TOWY VALLEY REHEARSAL IN HERTS WITH CHARLIE PETT. BOOKINGS AS USUAL TO Mrs. GROOM. SHENLEY Susan's Cafe.	HARPENDEN. Paine's Cowper Cottage.	ESSENDON. Ye Olde Peartree T.Gdns.
Mar 14	S.E. POLEHILL Lero Cafe.	BOUGH BEECH Wheatsheaf	SHOREHAM Hares.
Mar 21	N.E. SPEED JUDGING CONTEST. HONEY LANE PL. Riley's	Non-entrants will be notified of lunch venue.	NORTH WEALD. "Germans".
<u>SECTION.</u>	<u>MEETING PLACE.</u>	<u>LEADER.</u>	
S.E.	BROMLEY. Opposite Police Station.	Mr. T. Evans 121 Downderry Rd. Downham, Bromley Kent.	
N.E.	WILFRED LAWSON.	Mrs. Lang, 11, Lyttelton Road, Leyton E10.	
S.	PUTNEY BRIDGE.	Mr. Pilgrim, 515 Commonsides East. Mitcham. S'ry.	
N.W.	STANMORE B'WAY.	Mrs. Groom, "Clovelly" Elstree Rd. Bushey Heath. Herts.	
HON. SEC.	A. H. MARSHALL, 55 Tawny Avenue, Upminster, Essex.		

SPECIAL NOTE. The A.G.M. will be held at the Albert Tavern, Victoria St. On Saturday, Jan. 30th 1954 at 2.30pm. Motions for the Agenda must be received by the Hon. Sec. not later than JAN. 16th, 1954. Only paid up members are entitled to attend and vote at the meeting. If you intend to be present please fill in the reverse of this form and return to Hon. Sec. before Jan. 7th so that arrangements for the meals can be made.

March 1954

NEW MEMBERS.

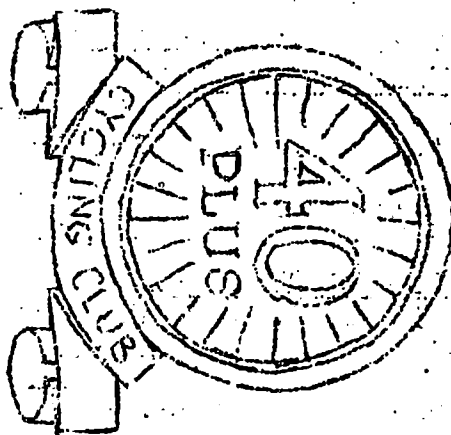
CANHAM. Mrs. E.F. 56 Langdon Park Rd. Highgate N.6.
DAL PEIRO. Mrs. H.M. 2, Cardinals Walk, Hampton, Middlesex.
FOLDS. Mr and Mrs.F.W. 137 Parkwood Rd. West Southbourne, Bournemouth.
LINCOLN. H.L. Cecil Cottage, Petersham, Surrey.
MARKEY. J.E. 2, Cardinals Walk, Hampton, Middlesex.
NORMAN. H.R. 27, Elmbourne Rd. S.W.17.
PERRY. H.F. 35, Westbourne Pk.Rd. Paddington W.2.
REID. R.L. 12, Grosvenor Court, Grosvenor Hill, Wimbledon S.W.19
STILES.W.F. 23, Woodbastwick Road, Sydenham, S.E.26
WORTH.B. 15, Mardale Drive, Kingsbury, N.W.9.

ANNUAL DINNER. The 3rd Annual Dinner was very successfully organised by Mr and Mrs.Groom at the Albert Tavern on Nov.27th, and among those present as visitors were Mrs.Eileen Sheridan, Mr.Lionel Lincoln, Mr.G.H.Stander, Mrs.Lilian Dredge, and Mr.W.F.Stiles. Mrs.Cooke presented the three wedding presents to Rose and Jim Ford, Nat and Vi Wilcox, and George and Betty Canham. All the recipients particularly wish to thank members for the gifts.

E.C.C.A. UTILITY RIDE. The Club had two teams riding in this event, which has now become a "Club Annual" One team succeeded in completing with an aggregate error of under 24 mins. and were placed 6th out of 25 finishers in a field of 69 teams. The other team again unfortunately went astray, with many other teams, on the last lap,

PRESIDENT MRS W. COOKE

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FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - JAN.30th 1954. at Albert Tavern, Victoria St. at 2.30.pm.

I shall attend the A. G. M.

Please order High Tea 5/- for persons after the meeting.
Tea & Cakes 1/6d.

Signed.....

FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Tuesday, May 18th 1954 at the
"ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM", St. John St. B.C.L. at 6.45 pm.

ATTENDANCE.

Mr. E.P. Groom (Chairman) Mrs. D. Groom, Mrs. M. Lang,
 Messrs, G. Canham, W. Dadd, E. Edwards, C. Pett, W. Pilgrim,
 L. Seymour, S. Tackley and A.H. Marshall (Hon. Secretary).
 Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from
 the President Mrs. W. Cooke and Mr. T. Wooder.
 Mr. L. Pemberton was also present as a guest in regard
 to the item "Club publications, magazine and news sheets".

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Thursday,
 Feb. 18th 1954 were read and approved with the following
 amendment :-

page (2) COUNTRY SECTIONS, line 9 to read "Mr. Seymour
 suggested that a week-end be organised to Winchester
 area"-----

Arising out of the Minutes it was noted that a visit
 to Brunswick Wharf Power Station had been arranged under
 the guidance of Mr. Tackley, and the Committee thanked
 him for a very successful outing.

777 Mr. Seymour asked whether money had been received from
 Mr and Mrs. Stancer for outstanding dinner tickets. He
 was informed that no remittance had been received, and
 that the matter was being looked upon as a "bad debt"
 as was agreed at the previous meeting. After discussion
 Mr. Seymour made a proposition, which was seconded by
 Mrs. Lang, and carried, that, in the case of three other
 tickets which had been paid for, but not used, (Mr. Pett
 2 and Mr. Blackburn 1) the people concerned should have
 the option of a free ticket to this year's dinner. The
 Hon. Secretary advised that five replies had been received
 to the advert in the C.T.C. Gazette (April) from which
 three new members had resulted. Mr. Tackley proposed and
 Mr. Pilgrim seconded the suggestion that the advert. be
 repeated in the Gazette for July at a cost of 13/-.
 This was carried unanimously.

HON.
 SECRETARY'S
 REPORT.

The Hon. Secretary reported a membership of 96 and a cash
 balance of £25. Out of this £4.10.0. would have to be
 paid for new handbooks now in press, and these would be
 sent out with the next runs list. Owing to the increase
 in membership the stock of badges was low and would also
 have to be renewed at a cost of about £10.
 The Bournemouth Section was now 12 strong - and was
 holding fortnightly runs. A letter from Mr. Folds was
 read concerning their activities, and also a paragraph
 from the local newspaper.

After discussion as to a suitable method of noting the hundredth member, it was proposed by Mr. Pilgrim and seconded by Mr. Canham that this member should be admitted free of entrance fee and subscription for one year.

It was decided that Mr. Dadd would arrange a weekend run in conjunction with the Bournemouth section, and to that end is fixing a run in that direction in the third quarter, and will notify Mr. Folds that it is hoped that they will be able to meet.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS.

The following 16 members were elected :-

Mr. C. J. B. Andrews.

Mr. H. W. Marriott.

Mr. F. Bagshaw

Mrs. H. B. Phelps

Mr. C. A. Bangs

Mrs. E. M. Price.

Mr. L. V. G. Barrow.

Mr. S. W. Penfold

Mr. D. Brooker

Mr. N. Sacker.

Mrs. M. Clark

Mrs. A. H. L. Taylor.

Mrs. M. B. Hall.

Mr. W. Weston.

Mr. L. W. Hathaway.

Mrs. E. Wilkins.

RUNS LISTS FOR THIRD QUARTER.

The Hon. Secretary spoke of runs being held in addition to the official one. There is no ruling against a small informal run being fixed by a small group who would otherwise be unable to meet, but it was stressed that these should be kept to diagonally opposite directions. The Chairman suggested that with the growth of the Club it would be necessary to introduce two alternative runs on one day, and the Hon. Secretary proposed that additional runs could be arranged and published on the runs list commencing in October, if the Leaders so desired, but that they must be in opposite directions. This was seconded by Mrs. Lang and carried.

CLUB PUBLICATIONS, MAGAZINES, & NEWS SHEETS.

The Chairman explained that Mr. Pemberton had been invited to hear the discussion on this matter, and to give his observations, but although he was not a member of the Committee, and therefore could not vote, he was welcomed to the meeting.

The Chairman then made a short statement, and asked that there should be no internal dissention. He stated that the question of a news sheet was very important to the Club, but that there was no reason why it should become so controversial as it had. Enthusiasm for the Club was to be greatly admired, but this must be tempered with discretion. The News Sheet published under the Editorship of Mr. Pemberton was a great improvement on the last Riley's Relay, but the fact remained that the Club had an official News Sheet, edited by an elected member of the Committee, Mr. Seymour, which was very well

written, and represented the affairs of the Club. The other publication had no official position, and it was for the Committee to decide what was to happen. Mr. Groom said that when Mr. Seymour received a copy of the unofficial News Sheet at Tring, he indicated that he would resign at once, and Mr. Groom could only agreed that he was justified in so doing. The Chairman said that he considered it as a rebel magazine, which had come from inside the Committee, who had been organised to run the Club. If we did not present a united front the membership would suffer. The matter was then thrown open to discussion.

The Hon. Secretary then gave a brief history of the matter. He said that the first reference at all to a Magazine was at a Committee meeting held before the A.G.M. for March 1953. At the conclusion of this Committee meeting Mr. Groom said he had had a letter from Mr. Seymour offering to edit a magazine, and suggested it be put before the A.G.M. Mrs. Lang then intimated that a news sheet "Riley's Relay" was then in preparation. Whether this was published before the A.G.M. he could not say. The subject of a magazine was put to the A.G.M. but mainly owing to expense, was not seconded. No official recommendation was made regarding Riley's Relay, but it was being paid for by Riley's visitors, and was their magazine.

The matter was again brought up and discussed at a Committee meeting in Octr. 1953, because the second edition had extended its references to other areas of the club. Most of what was said was agreed as informal and was not recorded. Permission of the Committee was given for the publication until the A.G.M.

It was again discussed at the A.G.M. in January 1954, and turned down on cost, but that a news sheet could be attached to the Runs lists was agreed, and this resulted in the first official publication. No recommendation was made about the Riley's Relay, but the clause in the Minute that no publication should be made without the authority of the Committee was deleted.

The Hon. Secretary said that he feared that unwittingly such publications could contravene the policy, or views of the Committee, and therefore should be seen before being issued.

Mr. Tackley stressed that he had made a strong plea at the A.G.M. for the Club to unite to produce one venture. Mrs. Lang stated that she had received monies from members at Riley's for this publication, and therefore there should be no control over a private effort.

Mrs. Groom said she thought Mr. Fitzpatrick was only querying whether it should be called a News Sheet or a

Magazine, not that other publications would be involved.

After discussion Mr. Vanham pointed out that the Committee is charged with the management of the Club - including publications - and they had power to decide whether the news sheet was a good or bad thing for the Club.

Mr. Seymour endeavoured to shorten the discussion by stating the position concisely. He continued by saying that he was unaware before that there were other people willing to do the job, and he proposed to let them get on with it. He said that it was stupid to read a repetition of a report in two journals, and proposed that there be one magazine or news sheet to report all the activities of the Club. Either it was decided that he carried on to the next A.G.M. or the Committee made an amendment.

On the point of finance Mr. Seymour stated that legally any money collected owing to activities of the club remained the property of the club, so that money collected at Riley's, actually belonged to the Club.

Mr. Pilgrim said that he could see no reason why Mr. Seymour should not carry on with the one publication and he did not think we should change in the middle of the year.

Mrs. Lang still maintained that the A.G.M. ruling permitted other publications, and that the ruling should hold. She would not publish in Riley's Relay anything pertaining to official club runs.

The Hon. Secretary asked if circulation of Riley's Relay was confined to subscribers, and said that he had not received a copy for at least a week after issue.

Mrs. Lang said that anyone who paid postage could have a copy, but they were only sent to those who requested them. She had been asked to enquire who gave Mr. Groom permission to write a letter to "Cycling".

Mr. Seymour said that the whole affair was entirely against the normal procedure of any club, and Mr. Pett felt that the position was not made clear at the A.G.M. Mr. Groom agreed that there was some doubt, but he felt there could only be one club News Sheet.

Mr. Pemberton then asked if he could speak, and refusing the offer of a chair at the table, went on, standing, to say that Mrs. Lang had asked him to carry on Riley's Relay. He was disappointed at the attitude of the Committee in accepting so small a magazine, and analysed the costs to indicate that he could do much better, and

set out to show what could be done. He agreed that the club should have one magazine, but thought it should be a good one, and that if the club did not want to go into anything more ambitious than its News Sheet, then it "should not sit on ambition".

The Chairman made reference to Mr. Pilgrim's articles, and mentioned that he, himself, had already typed 24 foolscap sheets of the history of the club, which it was intended should be printed and issued as a preface to the official News Sheet. Since the publication of the unofficial news sheet he had stopped. He again emphasized that the Committee had to decide whether they were going to have one news sheet - the official one, or whether it was to be the Riley's Relay.

Mr. Pilgrim proposed, and Mr. Canham seconded that there should be one official publication, and one only, and that it should be representative of the whole club. This was carried by vote 9 to 1. Mr. Seymour was then asked if he would carry on editing the existing magazine. He agreed, if no one else would do so, but would be pleased to resign in favour of anyone else who would do the job. He would in no circumstances carry on as the position was at present with an official as well as an unofficial publication being issued.

Mr. Pemberton still maintained that the original A.G.M. proposition made it legitimate for other publications to be issued.

Mr. Tackley was supported by the Chairman in his plea that the matter be settled amicably, and that all divert their news to the one magazine, and make it a bigger and better one.

Mrs. Lang said that so many of her members had provided money to carry on with Riley's Relay that she could not make them divert their news to the official news sheet, and she would not make any further comment until she had discussed the matter with them. In reply to a question from the Hon. Secretary she stated that copies were not sent to people other than those connected with Riley's unless requested.

Mr. Seymour said he was still not at all happy about the position. Mr. Canham read the rule from the membership application whereby members agreed to abide by the decision of their Committee, and maintained that the Committee were fully empowered to make decisions for the welfare of the club. Mr. Pemberton interrupted, and stated that, although a Lawyer, Mr. Canham had evidently insufficient knowledge to make such a statement.

Mr. Edwards maintained that the Committee had power to decide everything for the year until the A.G.M. when they would stand or fall by their decisions. Mr. Seymour said that a final decision must be reached at this meeting. The Chairman remarked that this had been done by a 9 to 1 vote, and that Mrs. Lang should so inform her members. Mrs. Lang would not accept this view, and it was reluctantly decided therefore to call a Special General Meeting in about a month's time, for all members to express their wishes.

OTHER
BUSINESS.

The Chairman read a letter from the South Bucks D.A. inviting the club to play in a cricket match at Hampton on August 8th, but it was found that owing to other fixtures, and the lack of cricketers in the club, it would not be possible to accept. The Chairman agreed to reply accordingly,

The Hon. Secretary stated that the date of the next meeting would have to be left over, and the meeting closed at 10.30 pm. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and the Hon. Secretary.

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16/9/54

FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Thursday, Sept. 16th 1954 at the
"RED LION" Parliament St. S.W.1. at 6.45 pm. 18 ✓

ATTENDANCE. Mr. E. P. Groom (Chairman) Mrs. Groom, Mrs. Lang, Messrs,
Canham, Dadd, Edwards, Pett, Pilgrim, Seymour, Tackley,
Wooder, and A. H. Marshall (Hon. Secretary).

MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday,
May 18th, 1954, were taken as read, and approved.
Mr. Seymour asked how the matter of the magazines had
been concluded, and was told that after further contact
by the Chairman, it had been agreed that "Riley's"
Magazine would be confined strictly to matters concerning
that group, that no mention would be made of the 40+
Club. Mrs. Lang will send copies of the next "Relay" to
Mr. Seymour, Mr. Groom and the Hon. Sec. The matter will
be put on the agenda for the next A.G.M.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Hon. Secretary reported that membership was now
103, and that Mr. C. W. F. Buckland, the 100th member had
been elected without payment of entrance fee or sub-
scription for the current year. Cash in hand £26.120 and
at Bank £10, less an outstanding account for Handbooks.
The printers had misplaced the original photograph of
Cecil Cooke, and had submitted an account much in excess
of their quotation, and Mr. Canham advised that after
ascertaining any claim that Cycling may make for the
photograph, the printers should be paid £5. less any
such claim.

The advert. in the C.T.C. Gazette had only produced
seven replies, of which only one had taken up the
invitation given to meet the Club.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS. The following seven members were elected :-
C. W. F. Buckland. J. Long.
H. Clark. A. T. Martin.
H. G. Cook. L. E. Pegg.
R. N. R. Hawkins.

ANNUAL DINNER. Mr. Edwards reported that the date for the Dinner had
been changed to Decr 3rd, and that the arrangements
would be similar to those for last year. It was noted
that the Committee members will offer accommodation
for Friday and Saturday nights to any member of the
Bournemouth Section who may attend the Dinner.
Arrangements for guests and entertainment were dis-
cussed, and it was left to the Social Secretary to
collaborate with the Hon. Secretary as necessary to
complete the arrangements for guest speakers &c.,

RUNS LIST FOR
FOURTH QUARTER.

BADGES.

OTHER
BUSINESS.

The Hon. Secretary presented a draft of the runs list compiled from information given by Leaders, and with one or two comments this was approved.

The stock of badges was now virtually exhausted, and the Hon. Secretary will obtain quotations and place an order for 72 new brooch badges.

MAP LOAN. Mr. Tackley made the suggestion of a map library, and Mr. Wooder agreed to compile a list of maps that members would loan to each other. This list will be sent to each member, who can then contact individuals direct for the loan of a map.

NEW MEMBERS. Mrs. Lang quoted the case of a member who, on his first run was unable to maintain the pace, and suggested that no money should be accepted until after an applicant had ridden with the Club. It was pointed out that this member sent his money in spite of being "invited", and it was agreed that as the difficulty seldom arose, it was left in abeyance.

TEA AT DODDINGHURST. Mr. Wooder intimated that he had made provisional arrangements for 25 members to invite 25 old age pensioners to tea at the Barn at Doddington on Decr. 18th from about 5.0 pm to 9.0 pm. A note covering this should appear on the runs list.

ARTICLE FOR PUBLICATION. Mr. Pilgrim placed before the committee an article which he had written on request for a sporting paper, and it was agreed that this be submitted for publication.

"FOR SALE, WANTED &c." Mr. Seymour asked permission to insert in the Magazine a section of small "ads" and it was agreed that this could be done, and a charge of 1d per word towards Club funds.

DATE OF
NEXT MEETING.

It was arranged that Leaders should hand their runs lists to the Hon. Secretary at the Dinner, and that the date of the next meeting would be fixed for the end of Decr. to discuss matters for the next A.G.M.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

[Signature]
Chairman
16/12/54

FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING held on Thursday 16th December 1954,
at the "Red Lion", Parliament Street, London, S.W.1. at 7.0.pm.

ATTENDANCE

Mr. E.P.Groom (Chairman), Mrs. Lang, Messrs. Canham, Dadd, Edwards, Pett, Pilgrim, Seymour and A.H.Marshall (Hon.Sec). Apologies were received from Mrs. Groom and Messrs. Tackley and Wooder

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were taken as read, and approved. Mr. Pilgrim stated in reply to a question, that the article which he wrote and submitted for publication, had not even been acknowledged.

HON. SECRETARY'S
REPORT

The Hon. Secretary reported that membership was now 104, and that the total credit of the club was over £39, including the bank balance of £10. Against this was to be set the cost of 72 new badges now on order (about £10), and £5 for the printing of handbooks which was still the subject of controversy with the printers. Mr. Canham had given advice on the handling of this matter

REPORT ON
ANNUAL DINNER

The Hon. Secretary reported that as the Social Secretary had been involved in a considerable domestic upheaval he had taken over the arrangements for the Annual Dinner, and the Social Secretary expressed his appreciation of this, which was endorsed by the Chairman on behalf of the Club. The Hon. Secretary recorded that at the last minute he had been informed that Mr. Miles had been prevented from attending. Mrs. Lilian Dredge had, therefore, been asked to propose "the Club" at very short notice, and her effort had been much appreciated. Financially it was anticipated that the Dinner would just pay its way, but it was pointed out that if the support fell any more, the Dinner would not be practicable. The Chairman reported that three of the guests had been involved in a motor accident on their way home, and that Arthur Lyme was seriously ill in hospital

ELECTION OF
NEW MEMBER

The following member was elected:

Miss L. Kilborn

MATTERS FOR
THE A.G.M.

(a) The Hon. Secretary intimated that he was leaving London, and would therefore resign at the A.G.M. The Chairman also stated that his commitments were such that he would not accept re-election. The Committee therefore discussed whom they would nominate for these two Offices. It also was agreed that all leaders and deputies would resign and would not be re-elected en-bloc

(b) Mrs. Lang suggested that the Club should be affiliated with the E.C.C.A. and it was pointed out that this might involve suggestions to affiliate with other bodies. The proposal is to be put on the agenda

(c) It was also agreed that the members should be given an opportunity to discuss the runs programme at the A.G.M.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Groom reported that he had written to the Over 40's Section of the West Metropolitan D.A. of the C.T.C., and had arranged a joint run to Marlow in March

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

Ann Irving
28th February 1955.