

*The Forty Plus Cycling Club*

*Year 1970*

The 19th annual general meeting of the Forty Plus Cycling Club held on Sat, March 7th, 1970 at the "Crown & Sugar Loaf" inn, Garlick Hill, London, E.C.4.

Confirmation of the minutes of the 18th A.G.M, were read.

Mr. M. Trueman proposed, & Mrs. M. Lang seconded that these were a true and correct record.

Matters arising. Nil.

Secretary and treasurers reports, as attached.

Election of officers for 1970.

The following were returned unopposed.

|            |                     | <u>Proposed.</u> | <u>Seconded.</u> |
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| CHAIRMAN.  | Mr. L. Pemberton.   | Mr. G. Knapp.    | Mr. V. Stewart.  |
| SECRETARY. | Mr. T. Wooder.      | Mrs. M. Lang.    | Mr. M. Trueman.  |
| TREASURER. | Mr. G. Knapp.       | Mr. Fitzpatrick. | Mr. J. Cohen.    |
| EDITOR.    | Mr. S. Russell      | Mrs. M. Lang.    | Mr. J. Jefford.  |
| AUDITOR.   | Mr. E. Fitzpatrick. | Mrs. M. Lang.    | Mr. F. Good.     |

Leaders elected.

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|-----------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| SOUTHERN. | Mr. J. Cannon.  | Mr. Middleton. | Mr. Russell.  |
| EASTERN.  | Mr. L. Duffin.  | Mr. Cohen.     | Mr. Sibley.   |
| NORTHERN. | Mr. F. Drewett. | Mr. Stewart.   | Mr. Lang.     |
| WESTERN.  | Mr. J. Bolch.   | Mr. Drewett.   | Mr. Jefford.  |
| LUTON.    | Mr. J. Jefford. | Mrs. Willcox.  | Mr. Hankin.   |
| Midweek.  | Mr. Hankin.     | Mr. Middleton. | Mr. W. Davey. |

Committee members.

| <u>Name.</u>   | <u>Proposed.</u> | <u>Seconded.</u> | <u>No. of votes.</u> |
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| Mr. F. Good.   | Mr. Drewett.     | Mr. Middleton.   | 19                   |
| Mr. Trueman.   | Mrs. Lang.       | Mr. Lang.        | 15.                  |
| Mrs. Willcox.  | Mr. Jefford.     | Mr. Russell.     | 19.                  |
| Mr. Stewart.   | Mr. Knapp.       | Mr. Cannon.      | 18.                  |
| Mr. Middleton. | Mr. Stewart.     | Mr. Marvin.      | 20.                  |

Mr. Trueman was not elected. Meeting agreed that he should be co-opted should the need arise.

LEN DOWNEY MEMORIAL FUND.

Mr. Stewart proposed & Mr. Dadd seconded that the club support this fund, and suggested a figure of £10/10/-. In the discussion that followed, Mr. Hankin opposed supporting this as he thought it should be a local affair in the C.T.C. section of which Len Downey had been a

ber. Mr. Middleton suggested that it should be done by voluntary contributions from individuals. Mr. Trueman suggested that as we had very little details of this fund, it should be left over to the next A.G.M, when perhaps Mr. Duffin who was in charge of the fund would be able to enlighten the meeting more on this. Mr. Fitzpatrick then proposed, and Mrs. Lang seconded an amendment, that this business be left to the committee to discuss, and bring to the next A,G,M. if necessary. The chairman then called for a vote on this, the result being that the amendment was carried;

#### C.T.C. defence fund.

The chairman commented that he was rather disappointed that the C.T.C, did not publicise our 1969 donation to the fund. After a discussion, Mr. Drewett proposed & Mr. Hankin seconded that the club should donate to the fund. The treasurer then spoke of the C.T.C, expenses, and said that though a donation would be helpful to the C.T.C, our members could help more by joining the C.T.C, if they were not already members, and also by trading through the C.T.C, travel services. He also explained our own club's position re finance, looking ahead to rising costs.

The chairman then asked for a vote on the proposition. Result was 20 for and 3 against.

Mrs. Lang then proposed & Mr. Middleton seconded that the club donate £5. On a vote, this was carried, with 2 members voting against it. The treasurer then asked permission to forward this to the C.T.C, with "no strings attached". Meeting agreed.

#### Any other business.

Mrs. Lang proposed & Mr. Fitzpatrick seconded that in appreciation of the work put into the club business by Mr. Wooder, that he should be made an honorary life member of the club. During the discussion that took place, several members pointed out that although it seemed all folk present were in favour, this could cause a precedent, and eventually the position would be worthless. The chairman then reluctantly ruled that the proposition was out of order.

Meeting closed at 5.30.p.m, with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

(signed) L.R. Pemberton.

THE FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1969.

We started the year with 194 members and soon recruited enough to take our total over the 200 mark, but with 17 resignations we finally finished the year with 191 on the books.

This year I have made a small alteration in the presentation of the accounts, by splitting the receipts from 5-year commuted subscriptions into expired portions and unexpired portions, so that now it should be easier to get a comparison between the year's income and expenditure. As will be seen, there is a surplus of £4.15.6 of receipts (excluding badge sales) over payments; this is not sufficient to cover fully the £10 allowed for depreciation on the Club's assets, but it must be remembered that, on the expenditure side, there is an exceptional item of £10.10.0 donated to the C.T.C. Defence Fund, in accordance with the instructions given at the 1969 Annual General Meeting.

Once again, I would like to thank members for the prompt way in which they pay their subscriptions - it greatly eases my task.

Best wishes for a good year's riding.

GEORGE KNAPP.

25th January, 1970.

1969 AGM

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THE FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

THE 19TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH, 1970, COMMENCING AT 3 p.m., AT THE "CROWN AND SUGAR LOAF" INN, GARLICK HILL, LONDON, E.C.4, (2 mins. walk from Mansion House underground station).

AGENDA.

- 1. Confirmation of minutes of the 18th Annual General Meeting. ✓  
(Copy herewith).
- 2. Matters arising. /
- 3. Secretary's report. /
- 4. Treasurer's report and audited accounts. /
- 5. Election of officers.
- 6. Len Downey memorial fund.
- 7. C. T. C. defence fund.
- 8. Any other competent business. (*Worth f. Minde.*)

(Signed) T. WOODER.  
Hon. Secretary.

31st January, 1970.

P.T.O.

APLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

NEW IRELAND

LEN & MARGORIE SEYMOUR  
LEN & MIN DUFFIN  
BILL GERMAIN  
BERT & LEE WARKHURST

CYRIL HENRY, MARY LITTAH SUPPORT  
SAT OR SUN RUNS.  
THE FORTY PLUS CYCLING CLUB.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

LETTER HEAD

Dear Members,

Once again, I can report a very successful year, with our very able Chairman leading an enthusiastic committee, who, I think, have put in a record number of attendances at committee meetings.

Our membership has remained steady and I think we must give a word of praise to our Treasurer, George Knapp, for the way in which he rakes in the renewals each year.

Attendances on Sunday runs have been fairly well supported but we always seem to get good turn-outs on the Bank Holiday tourlets and the Christmas holiday.

The "Cycle Touring" advertisement still brings enquiries and during the year I received enquiries from as far afield as Pakistan and America.

The annual lunch, held at St. Albans again, was very well attended but, unfortunately, the caterers were not up to their previous standard. In spite of this, however, I think all the folk enjoyed this event.

During the past year, we have still been able to get your magazine and runs lists out on time. For this, we must thank our Editor, Stan Russell, and our stencil expert, Vi Wilcox, who both put in very good work on this. Even when the ditch broke on the typewriter, our Vi battled on, picking all the ditches out with a pin.

On a sadder note, I have to report the passing of one of our old members, Horace Fletcher, and also that another long-standing member, Dick Holden, has lost his sight completely. As Dick is fond of good music, may we wish him many happy hours of hearing, one of the pleasures he can still enjoy.

My thanks to all members for supporting our grand club and may you all enjoy another year of this wonderful pastime, in as good weather, I hope, as we had in 1969. To those members whose riding is now finished, we wish enjoyment from reading of our activities and so refresh their memories of their past riding days.

Good health and good riding for 1970.

Yours sincerely,

*Tom Wooder*  
*Alb Middle*

(Signed) TOM WOODER. Hon. Secretary.

MEMBERS PRESENT. Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Willcox, G. Knapp, M. Trueman, J. Bolch, V. Middleton, L. Pemberton, J. Cannon, J. Jefford, F. Drewett, A. Hankin, V. Stewart, S. Russell, L. Duffin, and T. Wooder.

Minutes of the last committee meeting were read, and accepted by the committee as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING.

Len Downey Fund. Mr. Duffin informed the committee that due to the C.T.C. Family section, Basildon now being extinct, the SOUTH EAST SECTION, ESSEX, was taking over. The secretary was asked to put this item on the A.G.M. agenda.

SECRETARY'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE.

The secretary had nothing of importance to report, except that all arrangements were in hand for the A.G.M.

A letter was read from Mrs. Holden, saying that her husband Dick, a member of the club has suddenly gone blind. The secretary had sent a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Holden. Mrs. Lang proposed, and Mr. Drewett seconded that as Dick was fond of good music, and possessed a record player, that the club donate him £2/2/- to buy a record token. Committee agreed. The treasurer was asked to forward this.

Secretary's report accepted with thanks.

Treasurers Report.

As attached. Accepted with thanks.

On the subject of membership, Mr. Jefford proposed, and Mr. Drewett seconded that a free years membership for 1970 be given to Mr. Sykes and Mr. Bradford, both had been ill, and were apparently in need. Committee agreed. The secretary was asked to write to these two members informing them of this. Mr. Jefford then suggested that the club should do this for any member of the club, finding themselves in such circumstances. The editor was asked to put a note in the magazine regarding this subject.

A. G. M.

All present officers of the club were willing and prepared to stay in office for the ensuing year, should the members so desire.

ADVERTISING.

The secretary reminded the meeting, that the "Cycletouring" advertisement was due for renewal, and suggested an alteration to the wording of this, to include the midweek section.

Committee agreed, and left it in the hands of the secretary to do this. It was also agreed to renew the club's advertisement in the EASTERN COUNTIES MAGAZINE.

HANDBOOKS.

A discussion took place re having members names and addresses duplicated on Quarto paper. Finally Mr. Jefford proposed and Mr. Knapp seconded that we carry on with the hand book as it is, and on the advice of the secretary, the committee agreed that the club obtain a 1,000 envelopes, big enough to take the June

edition of the magazine plus the handbook.

REUNION LUNCH.

The secretary reported that as requested, he had contacted the Proprietor of the Blacksmiths Arms, Thornwood Common, and they stipulated a minimum of 100 persons. This the committee thought the club could not guarantee, and it was proposed that the Cosy Cafe, Sawbridgeworth, be approached. Date proposed for this event, Sept. 27th. 1970. Mr. Duffin said he would make enquiries at the Cosy Cafe.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

A discussion took place re more impromptu runs, rather than fixed lunch venues. Committee agreed that venues for lunch should be fixed for each sections monthly run, as some folk could not make the eleven o'clock venues on time.

Mr. Jefford proposed the club sent a wreath to the Meriden war memorial service. It was decided that this item be left to the A.G.M.

Next committee meeting. Sat. 21st. March.



Minutes of the committee meeting held at the  
Crown & Sugar Loaf inn, Garlick Hill, E.C.4,  
on Saturday, 21st, March, 1970.

Members present. Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Willcox, A. Hankin, J. Bolch,  
F. Drewett, J. Jefford, V. Stewart, S. Russell,  
F. Good, L. Duffin, V. Middleton, G. Knapp, T. Wooder.

Apologies for absence was received from the chairman, L. Pemberton.

Mr. Drewett proposed, & Mr. Duffin seconded that Mr. Hankin be asked  
to chair the meeting in the absence of Mr. Pemberton. Committee  
agreed, and Mr. Hankin accepted.

Mr. F. Good the new committee member was then welcomed.

Minutes of last meeting.

These were read, and accepted as a true and correct record.

Matters arising. Nil.

Secretary's report & correspondence.

The secretary had nothing of importance to report, but added that  
the affairs of the club were still running smoothly.

He then read a letter received from Mr. L. Reason, of the C.T.C.  
South Bucks D.A. regarding a slide show to be held at Amersham in  
October of this year. Committee agreed that perhaps the Forty Plus  
may support this, and left it to the secretary to write to Mr.  
Reason on this matter.

Treasurer's report. As attached.

He also mentioned that he had forwarded on behalf of the club mem-  
bers, a record token to Mr. Dick Holden as requested by the committee

A. G. M. minutes.

These were read and agreed to by the committee.

Reunion Lunch.

Mr. Duffin reported that this has been provisionally booked at the  
Cosy Cafe, Sawbridgeworth, Herts, for Sunday, 27th, Sept, 1970, for  
1.30.p.m, but he was waiting to hear from the caterer's regarding  
the price. The secretary said he would have the tickets ready to  
be sent to the sellers with the June edition of the magazine.

Any other business.

Mr. Knapp suggested that a copy of the magazine be sent to the  
author of the article, "Austrian Tour". Secretary asked to send this.  
Mr. Duffin was asked for information regarding the Lew Downey mem-  
orial fund. After hearing the information, Mr. Jefford proposed  
that the club did not contribute to this. Mr. Stewart spoke on the  
feeling the members of this club had of the memory of Lew, and that  
was a good reason why the club should contribute. Mr. Knapp asked  
if the fund was a perpetual one. Mr. Duffin replied that this depen-  
ded on the cash available. After further discussion, the committee  
voted against donating to this fund.

Meeting closed at 5.p.m.



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TREASURER'S REPORT 21.3.1970

Since last meeting

2 Resignations

1 New Member

MAS BEAZLEY

T. HORSNELL

R-McCAGUE (N-1)

1970 MEMBERSHIP

PAID

~~173~~ 175

RENEWALS WANTED

22 2019.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

~~175~~ 194

A/cs paid

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| Advert ECCA      | 1-0-0  |
| Ink & Stencils   | 9-12-8 |
| Record Toller    | 2-3-0  |
| AGM Exes         | 2-2-0  |
| CTC Defence Fund | 5-0-0  |

Cash in hand

171-17-6

+ Advance Subs

40-16-0

(1971 onwards)

212-13-6

Minutes of committee meeting held at the "Crown & Sugar Loaf" inn,  
Garlick Hill, London, E.C.4, on Sat, 8th, Aug, 1970. (47)

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Members present:- Mrs. V. Willcox, Mr. Drewett, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Pemberton,  
Mr. Hankin, Mr. Bolch, Mr. Good, Mr. Russell, Mr. Cannon, Mr. Stewart,  
& Mr. Wooder.

Minutes of last committee meeting.

Mr. Bolch proposed, Mr. Russell seconded that these were a true and correct record.

Matters arising.

Regarding letter from Mr. L. Reason about the C.T.C. South Bucks slide show to be held in October, the secretary said he had ordered 12 tickets.

Sec's report & correspondence.

The secretary reported with regret, the passing of 3 members, namely, Arthur Batt, Bert Brighty, & Tom Eynon. News of 2 of these members reached the secretary too late to send flowers, but flowers were sent on behalf of the club for the funeral of Arthur Batt. The secretary had sent letters of condolences on behalf of the club to nearest relatives of these 3 members.

The secretary expressed concern re runs not being led on a couple of occasions. He asked leaders to try and make sure that if they were unable to lead a run, that arrangements were made for a deputy to take the run. Mr. Bolch explained that there were the odd times, when he as Western leader only found 2 folk at elevenses, and these folk returned home for lunch, leaving himself to ride to the lunch venue on his own, if the weather was bad, then it was hardly worth his while proceeding to lunch.

Several enquiries had come in for information of the club, and the secretary had sent letters and current runs lists to these folk, through this medium a new member had joined from the Ashford, Kent, area.

A letter was read from the Gestetner Coy, suggesting an annual payment for maintenance of the duplicator at regular intervals. Committee agreed, on the advice of the secretary, that we did not use the duplicator enough to warrant this.

Mr. Cannon proposed & Mr. Good seconded the report be accepted.

Treasurer's report. As attached.

Mr. Hankin proposed & Mr. Drewett seconded report be accepted with thanks to the treasurer, for his good work in getting subscriptions.

Reunion lunch.

The secretary in the absence of the organizer, Mr. Duffin, said that both he and Mr. Duffin were concerned that the tickets for this were not selling yet. The committee generally thought that it was rather early at the moment to judge the sale of these. Mr. Duffin had suggested that the event be cancelled or deferred to a later date. The chairman pointed out that perhaps we could not book a later date, and proposed that as this event had been advertised, we should carry it out on the date first stated. The secretary, on the suggestion of members, said he would be willing to send letters out to members who may be interested, his only concern here was cost. Committee agreed this should be done, and asked the secretary to carry on with this idea.

Handbook & Magazine.

Due to proposed increase in postage in 1971, the secretary produced figures of the cost of the magazine & handbook. These figures proved that should postage be increased to 6d for 2 ozs, the magazine would have to be kept to a limit of 8 double sided pages, plus cover & Back, and the balance between subscriptions and running costs of the club would be very close. After discussion, Mr. Drewett proposed, and committee agreed, that this be on the agenda for the A.G.M. in 1971.

Any other business.

Mr. Cannon informed the committee that he had booked at Lewsome Farm for Christmas, but this would be the last weekend he would organize, but would have no objection to other members running weekends on the Southern section.

Mr. Hankin proposed that the secretary send a get well card and letter to Albert Middleton from the committee. Secretary agreed to this, and said that several members of the club, including himself had been in constant touch, and had visited Albert during his illness.

Meeting closed at 5.p.m.

*H. Drewett*  
*Chairman*

# TREASURER'S REPORT

8.8.70

Since last meeting

5 ~~3~~ new members

W. BEAUMONT

F. STAPLEY

J. WAUGH

RE FINNEMORE

A. H. SARTAIN

1. Remained

C. GAMBLE

1970

1970 Membership Paid

~~192~~ 194

less 3 deceased

3

~~189~~ 191

Renewals wanted 6

- MRS BEESTON

MRS KATH WHITE ( )

MRS LANG ( )

- C. SMITH

R. SWANN ( )

- T. WOOD.

A/cs paid

C.T.C. ADVERT

7-10-0

HAND BOOKS

11-0-0

MAG PAPER, STENCILS, INK

21-12-3

MERIDEN WREATH £2 less 24/ Collect

16-0

CASH IN HAND Current £140-19-6

Advances monies 47-16-0