



Club Run
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Newsletter Winter 2013-14

Dear Members

With the arrival of the New Year it is time to round up what has been going on over the winter months- quite a lot as it happens. We move into 2014 with a number of excellent performances already laid down, including two national champion's jerseys; a promising sign of things to come in the new season.

Club AGM

First of all, the club AGM was held on the 11th December 2013 at Thornton Hough Parish Hall. A number of new appointments have been made, including the following:

President

Keith Boardman has been elected to the position of club president, taking over from Eric Fogg, who has served 3 years in the position.

Vice Chairman

Clive Walmsley replaces John Burgess.

Vice Captains

Allyn Cunningham and Dave Large join the list of vice captains alongside Clive Walmsley, Steve Light, Carol Boardman, Ronnie Birkett, Brad Smith, Dave Newby, Gary Bateman, John Simpson and Geoff Brandt.

TT Secretary

Mark Donnelly has vacated the position of TT secretary. This duty is now being shared. Keith Boardman is doing the administrative tasks while Brad Smith, John Owens, Pete Davies, Scott Smith and Dave Berry will run there club events that make up the league

Timekeepers

Allyn Cunningham joins Bill Hanson, Eric Fogg, Dave Large and Mark Houldin

The other positions were filled as follows:

Chairman - C. Gray

Vice Presidents - A. Johnston, H. Mahar, E. Fogg, J. Burgess, G. Brandt, C. Gray, K. Boardman

Secretary - A. Templeman

Treasurer - B. Smith

Road Captain - A. Templeman

Road Racing Secretary - K. Jones

Track Secretary - D. Large

Handicappers - A. Masterson, J. Burgess, K.

Boardman, M. Garner, M. Donnelly

Circular Writer - J. Graham-Brown

Sponsorship Committee - C. Walmsley,

M. Garner, K. Boardman, D. Parry,

A. Templeman, Geoff Brandt, Brad Smith, C. Gray, S. Molyneux
 Rights Officer - G. Brandt
 Rota Steward - L. Harvey, M. Garner
 Press Officer - V. Stinton
 Auditor - J. Vernon
 Welfare Officer - A. Smith
 Youth Coach - G. Brandt
 Website - V. Stinton
 Life Members - S. Cummings, C. Walmsley

Competitions

The winter has brought with it cyclocross and track racing as the main fixtures on the calendar, in which there has been considerable success for the club, particularly the youth section, with a number of excellent performances:

Cyclocross

Craig Rodgers has had a superb season in the under 14 boys category, winning the Welsh cyclocross national champion's jersey and finishing second overall in the Cyclocross National Trophy

Series; the latter competition came down to the last race of the series, with Craig coming agonizingly close to finishing in the top spot, missing out by only one point. However, having claimed 3 wins and 2 top ten results in the series and 4th place at the British national championships to round it off, it has been a very impressive season for Craig.

Nicole Clarke has similarly had a fantastic first season in the U14 girls category, having also won the Welsh

national cyclocross championships, and placing 4 top ten and one podium finish in the Cyclocross National Trophy Series, rounding this off with a further top ten finish in the British national championship race. Little brother Andrew also had success this year, coming 4th in the U10s event in Northwich in October.

Rob Rodgers has also had a good season, with 3 top ten finishes in the junior boys category of the Cyclocross National Trophy Series, as well as a number of other good results at junior and senior events, including a notable first overall in Prestatyn in November.

Jess Wilkinson rounds off the cyclocross section, having also had a very good season with a number of wins and top ten finishes in both the National trophy series and other events. Like Rob, Jess has finished in high positions in some senior events this season too.

Track racing

Meanwhile on the track, Max Spedding has been putting in a number of strong performances in the first division of the Manchester regional Track league, with a string of podium finishes in a range of events, including scratch, points and elimination races.

Time trials results

Rounding off the 2013 season, Mike Garner was named the LTTCA Middle Distance Champion, winning the Harry Middleton Trophy with an average speed of 26.463mph.

Further honors were awarded in the 50TT team prize, with Mike Garner, John Forbes and Barry Jones winning the Hyman Gilbert Cup with a total time of 6h 16m 02s.

John Forbes also received the Novice Plaque award for his performance in the 12 hour TT.

Club awards 2013

The club awards were presented at the annual club dinner on the 6th December 2013 for the top club performances through the year:

Trophy	Winner	Additional details
Kidger Cup (Club BAR)	J. Forbes	22.76mph
Harold Waring Memorial Trophy	B. Jones	237.8 miles in 12 hrs
John Fox Hill Climb Trophy	M. Spedding	
Bill Jones Shield (WCTCA 50)	M. Garner	1h 57m 07s
Lumsden Cup	M. Garner	55m 35s
Gordon Edwards Memorial Trophy (consolidation 25)	M. Donnelly	56m 46s
James Cup (track league champion)	D. Morris	
Boardman Cup	G. Brandt	



Collumpton Cup (Club TT handicap league)	B. Smith	97 points
Memorial Time Trial Trophy (A league)	B. Smith	100 points
Phillips Cup (B League)	S. Hannah	92 points
Walker Cup (Senior 100 champion)	B. Smith	4h 15m 32s
Holdsworth Cup (ladies BAR)	V. Stinton	24.96mph
Gordon Cup (Senior TT champion)	B. Smith	25.50mph
Veteran Time Trial Champion (medal)	B. Smith	85 miles in 3h 7m 32s
Yates Cup (veteran TT champion on standard)	B. Smith	+38m 36s
Dave Johnson Memorial 25	M. Garner	51m 54s
Johnson Cup (fastest 50)	M. Garner	1h 49m 39s
Juvenile Road Race Shield	N. Clarke	
Junior Road Race Shield	M. Spedding	
Homer Trophy (veterans road race champion)	B. Smith	
Rose Bowl (senior road race champion)	J. Vernon	
Mens 30m TT competition record	M. Garner	1h 4m 24s
Ladies 30m TT competition record	V. Stinton	1h 13m 39s

Training sessions

Steve Light has kindly volunteered to run club turbo sessions on Monday nights, starting at 6:30pm in the Dee Sailing Club in Thurstaston. These are open to both youth and senior members, and will run on a weekly basis until Easter. There is charge £1 to cover room hire. The club has some spare turbos, but availability should be checked prior to attending. For more information, contact Steve on 07754 127849

As is customary, January has brought with it the infamous Sunday training rides. These can and should be attended by any club members looking to get race fit for the upcoming

season. The rides usually leave from the Eureka café at 9:30am on Sunday mornings and are a great opportunity to improve fitness and learn road craft. A word to the uninitiated however; these rides are a bit more intensive than standard club runs!

Additional info

Club meetings are held at 8pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at Thornton Hough Church Hall, with all members encouraged to attend.

Subscriptions

2014 club subscriptions are now due, and should be paid by the 12th March at the latest. Cheques should be made payable to "Birkenhead North End Cycling Club", and payment can be made at club meetings or by post; contact Brad Smith by email (brad.smith_1@yahoo.co.uk) for the postal address.

Membership costs:

Senior (over 18) - £30

Junior (16-18) - £7.50

Juvenile (U-16) - £1.50

Over 65 - £22.50

Associate - £15

2nd Claim - £22.50

Club kit

Steve Molyneux still has some new club kit remaining in stock from the last order placed. The kit brochure can be viewed on the club website (www.bnecc.co.uk). If you are interested contact Steve on 07803 298048.