

East Midlands Cycle Racing

Annual General Meeting

18th January 2019

Present

M Twelves, G Giddings, S Twelves (Mrs), S Hopkins (Mrs), R Pinkerton

Apologies

A Vallance

2018 Financial Reports and Accounts Review

S Hopkins stated that the accounts as presented had received independent review by Colin Jones to the level of detail specified in the Constitution and that he was happy that they were an accurate reflection of the 2018 operations.

Overall income of £20.15K was £150 lower than 2017. Overall expenditure of £20.7K was £300 lower than 2018 although noted that 2018 expenditure included £1000 for competition grants. Overall the league lost £550 in the year compared to a loss of £700 in 2018.

The most significant difference in expenditure was an increase of around £600 in prizes for the youth league

The bank balance remains at £4500 which provides adequate cash to support cash flow requirements for the 2019 season

2018 Operations

Youth number were up slightly on 2018. Senior numbers, however, were significantly down with event number failing to reach the level set for paying prize money on a number of occasions. The second year of LVRC masters racing continues to show good growth.

Noted that the £550 loss, when factored by over 1500 participations, demonstrates that with good cost control the current entry fees are very close to break even (around 35p per rider)

Election of Committee members

All current committee members volunteered to stand again and were accepted

- Chairman – G Giddings
- Treasurer - S Hopkins
- Secretary – M Twelves

2019 Proposals

- 1. Amendment of constitution to redefine categories of racing promoted by EMCRL**

Background – M Twelves has stood down as series co-ordinator for the senior league and nobody volunteered to take over this role, therefore there will be no senior racing in 2019 promoted by EMCRL. To support this, the constitution required amendment in section 2, removing the requirement for EMCRL to promote races for all age categories relevant to the affiliated body under whose rules events are promoted

Decision – The proposal was accepted and the Constitution agreed to be amended

2. Amendment of constitution to enable EMCRL to use a Debit Card for specific banking transactions

Background – EMCRL may current make payments using cheques and/or bank transfers. British Cycling are moving to an online payment method for levies which requires payment to be made by a credit or debit card. Alternatives were considered

- Secretary makes levy payment by personal credit card and is reimbursed by bank transfer
- Levy payment by EMCRL credit card and card balance settled monthly by bank transfer
- Levy payment made by debit card

Decision - Making the levy payment by Debit Card will simplify operational overheads and admin. Noted that the BC payment system only allows the event organiser (EMCRL Secretary) to make this payment. Proposal accepted and the Constitution agreed to be amended

3. Proposed race programme

A 17 race programme for youth riders. All but the final event will be organised under BC rules, the final event being run and separately insured by EMCRL due to BC restrictions. Of the 16 events, the best 13 results will count towards the league prize

Race formats to largely mirror the 2018 programme, retaining the events at the New College track and the long time trial

New for 2019 will be U14/U16 riders racing on the full circuit with the finish just before the hairpin

A 5 race programme for LVRC Masters (over 40) riders. Format will follow that of 2018

EMCRL will not promote BC Senior (Mens or Womens) races in 2019, although it was noted that a new group, East Midlands Midweek Racing, were intending to promote and number of events for a range of categories under BC rules on some Thursday evenings in 2019

The proposed programme was accepted

Any Other Business

1. British Cycling have recently updated their requirements for First Aid provision at cycle races. The requirements have been checked with the leagues current provider

of First Aid services and confirmation received that they operate significantly in excess of BC requirements.

2. Retention of records. Agrees that all bank statements would be retained and other records, such as invoices, would be retained for a rolling 2 year period