



## **CLWB SEICLO VELO TEIFI CYCLING CLUB**

**Club Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

**Castell Malgwyn, Llechyd**

### **Present**

Carl Davies (Chair) Tom Wells (Treasurer) Michelle Wilson (Secretary)  
Andrew Lindsay, Andrew Smith, Dylan Evans, Sheila Williams, Colin Portsmouth, Ioan Morris,  
Maggs Morris, Evan Macrae, Liz Parry, Huw Forster, Jane Kurowski, Eddie Thompson, Mike Rees  
& Hywel Evans

### **Apologies**

Michelle Lewis, Howard Williams, Bob Grimshaw, Cynan Davies & Howard Williams.

### **Chairman's Welcome**

Chairman welcomed all and thanked everyone for coming.

#### **1. Review of year to date activities**

It was agreed that the club has had a successful year so far with the Preseli Angel and especially Cardigan Street Races, with tremendous feedback from both events. C.D pointed out that because of the two main events and the time and commitment that each warranted not as many away-day rides were organized.

The ladies rides were a success again this year, with regular numbers turning out. C.D highlighted that since he took over the chair in 2008 the club's level of activity, membership and resources had all grown in line with his hopes at the outset and it was now Carl's wish to step down as Chairman and pass the chair on to "new blood" for fresh ideas, etc.

#### **2. Club Financials To Date – Overview**

Tom Wells presented a snapshot of figures for the finances so far, exact figures would available at the AGM in January 2011.

Most income has come from the Preseli Angel & CSR this year.

**Preseli Angel** - The P.A made £486.48 profit, but half of the profit goes to Newport, Tom pointed out the event didn't make as much profit because of agreed extra investment in the event this year e.g. t-shirts.

**Cardigan Street Races** - The CSR still had £2000 to come in from Mentur Aberteifi & £500 from the round table – T.W asked Michelle to chase Peter Richards. When all the income comes in there should be over £5000 in the Club bank account. C.D pointed out that since he'd been chairman considerable income had been achieved by the club because of all the hard work from the committee & its members; he reminded the club that support was available from the club for events, etc with the funds. If any members wanted any support from the club to come forward with ideas for agreement and backing of the Committee.

T.W also pointed out if the CSR was to go ahead next year not as much income would be available from grants etc, so if the club was to go ahead the decision would have to be made soon so the club could start looking for support. Howie's might support again next year, but it was not guaranteed. C.D suggested that they would not make a decision tonight whether to go ahead next year with the CSR as he would rather that decision be the next chairman's job.



### 3. Club Fees For 2011 / General Discussion

C.D asked the members present if we needed to increase the fees or include any concessions for next year. All were in favour of keeping them the same as last year as the club finances were in a healthy situation.

C.D pointed out that members were steadily rising as they had in the last two years and were in the eighties. A.S asked "where were they all". After discussion, it was agreed that the Club had never properly canvassed the members to see what they wanted the club to focus on and was agreed that more communication to members asking what they want from the club and to get more members to participate. A.S. agreed to draft a questionnaire to circulate amongst the membership seeking their views on future activities.

D.T had suggested a social evening to get all the members together and to try and get more involved; again this needs someone to arrange and co-ordinate.

A.M pointed out riders that come out on social rides find the pace too fast and find it difficult to keep up with the pace. It was also difficult to accommodate everyone as he couldn't force members to go at a certain pace.

J.K view was to encourage young riders from local schools to join the club.

C.D pointed out although Towy Riders had a lot of success with their club, they had the "luxury" of a cycle track on which to centre activity for the juniors.

S.W thought the rides were perhaps too long, rushing some members along as the need to get back home, she suggested making the rides shorter so that there was a more slower and sociable pace. C.D suggested that with greater numbers, riders could be split into groups of varying pace; but this was dependent upon suitable numbers turning up.

It was also stated that cyclists needed to encourage friends, family etc to come cycling. It was suggested that a family cycle ride be introduced, C.D remarked that all these suggestions need someone/members to volunteer to arrange (a familiar theme?)

It was also pointed out that the rides were not advertised in press and that general coverage in the local press was lacking. C.D stated that the instigation of a Press Officer this year had not improved things, but that this would be re-energised next year hopefully. T.W pointed out that from around 80 or so members, that 20 wasn't a bad turn out for the meeting.

**Action** : A.S volunteered to put together a questionnaire for the club members, establishing what they don't/do want, expect & like from the club.

### 4. Christmas Dinner

M.W commented that she had three choices of venues – The Salutation, Trewern & Ffostrasol Arms. All were in agreement that because of venue, the Salutation was the best option. M.W to circulate email to member's a.s.a.p. for numbers etc.



## 5. Nomination Of Club Officials For 2011

Nominations were received and appointments for respective roles in 2011 were agreed as follows:

**Chairman** – Allan Maguire accepted nominations from A.L & A.S on condition that there was help from the members.

**Treasurer** – Tom Wells accepted nominations from A.L, H.F & C.D

**Secretary** - Michelle Wilson accepted nominations from C.D & A.L. M.W. pointed out that although the role would be accepted M.L had agreed to be in charge of membership, monies & banking.

**Press Officer** – Andrew Smith accepted nominations from A.L

**Ladies Co-ordinator** – Michelle Lewis nominations from C.D & M.W

T.W. remarked that signatories needed to be added/changed but also that a couple of spares would be advantageous. T.W. to ask M.L to stay on as signatory.

## 6. Any Other Business

**Trophies** - C.D requested that the trophies presented for Clubman & Crash of the Year in last year's Christmas bash to be returned and also that the club needed nominations for 2010.

**Spinning Classes** – It was agreed to go ahead again this year, an email to be circulated to members about the 10 week spin classes starting in January 2011, for suggestions of nights preferable to everyone.

**Licences** – It had been agreed to refund the Race Licence cost to those members purchasing in-year. This had not been completed however and it was agreed that the club would cover the cost of the licence in 2011 for those who wanted one. Note: this is the Licence cost element only, not the cost of British Cycling membership.

**Cardigan Street Races** – It was decided that a decision wouldn't be made at this meeting regarding the CSR but for a meeting to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> November at Castell Malgwyn, M.W to circulate an email asking for support from members. The meeting would be a good indication to those that were eager to go forward next year as to the help that would be available.

The meeting ended 8.45pm.

Michelle Wilson/Michelle Lewis  
Joint- Secretary  
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