

**Exeter CTC
Annual General Meeting
19 April 2023
7.30 pm**

St Thomas Church Hall
Church Road
EX2 9AX

Members attending:

Paul Ewings
Ian Grundberg
Ann Pollard
Mark Pollard
Paul Norris
Penny Cockram
Deborah Salisbury
Martin Crothall
Mike Chapman
Andy Hill
Maggie Hunt
Martin Warren
Dave Hutton
Chris Brightman
Tom Ingram
Jenny Ingram
Tim Green
Ted Hawke
Paul De'Athe
Tessa Fincher
Chris Blasdale
Rebecca Hoddinott
Julie Weeks
Alex Dudgeon
Judy Green
Kirby James

1 Opening remarks from Chairman: Paul Ewings

Paul welcomed everybody to the AGM and thanked them for attending. He also thanked everybody involved in organising rides and events during the last year and noted that several new members had joined the group during the year. Paul noted that new ride leaders would be very helpful for the Sunday B Rides and asked anybody interested to talk to the B Rides coordinator Roy Russell.

Future events:

The popular curry night will be repeated again in the Autumn;
Paul and Chris Blasdale are also willing to run a bike maintenance course again later in the year.

Announcements:

Note late change of venue for tomorrow's BikeBus, now Exe Valley Farm Shop. Website amended, Facebook alert posted and WhatsApp BikeBus. Group alert sent.

Paul finally explained the format for the evening and that for the guest speakers Paul Norris would introduce Will Page and Ian Grundberg would introduce Ross Lovell.

2 Apologies received

Anthony Aggett
David Bailey
Trevor Day
John Hampshire
Malcolm Hamilton
Dave Martin
Ian Holding
Brian Ludford
Roy Russell
Glenis Weilding
Lyndsay Kyrke-Smith
Marilyn Spurr
Roger Spurr
Richard Eales

3 Approval of minutes from last AGM held 5th April 2022

Proposed: Tim Green
Seconded: Penny Cockram
The minutes were approved unanimously

4 Secretary's report: Ian Grundberg

Bike Bus

The Thursday BikeBus continues to be very popular and the online booking system is functioning well. There are usually three groups of 8 riders leaving from the Quay in Exeter and recent demand has been such that an extra group has been added from time to time. Further groups also depart from West Hill.

Some new café venues have been added recently. Sincere thanks to both John Rowland and Paul Ewings for planning and management of these rides. As highlighted on the website, it helps enormously if all riders use the booking system, even if riding direct to coffee, as we always like to inform the venues beforehand of approximate numbers to expect.

Sunday A Rides: Usually about five or six riders, running smoothly and thanks to Dave Martin for the planning

Sunday B Rides: Generally, there are about 10 riders each week, which is encouraging, though (as mentioned by Paul already), we are always on the lookout for new ride leaders. Please let any of the committee members know if you would like to have a go. Support and advice on route planning will be gladly provided.

A well-attended curry night was held on October 26 here in this hall – thanks to Judy and Tim for masterminding the catering and to everyone else who contributed in their various ways.

Three talks were given by members:

Across America: Roger and Marilyn Spurr

Microbus activities: Paul Ewings and Dave Hutton

Vätternrundan: Ian Grundberg

Christmas Dinner – Red Lion Broadclyst 11th December – 25 persons attended and feedback was good.

Bike Handling Skills – thanks to Chris Blasdale – course held 18 April at West Point.

First Aid course(s) planned but in the end not possible to arrange – we hope to set them up for later in the year.

Mail system –

now sending emails through Cycling UK's system rather than MailChimp. On the whole that is working well, but please let me know if there are any questions. (There may be some issues with how riders are classified in the HO system, i.e. whether they are considered 'active' or not)

Emergency contacts

All ride leaders should have a copy of the Emergency Contacts list, which can be found (password protected) on the Exeter CTC website. Thank you to all of those who have provided their contact details recently. Could I ask all members to provide up to date info should any of their details change at any point. Sincere thanks to Paul Norris for his help in maintaining this list.

Cafés list

I would draw everyone's attention to the list of cyclist-friendly cafés in the region which can be found on the club website. Here too, Paul Norris has been very helpful, this time working with Richard Eales. This is a very useful planning tool and now comes with added map references.

5 Treasurer's report 2022/23: Dave Martin

Firstly, please accept my apologies for my absence – I hope you all enjoy the evening. Once again, nothing dramatic to report with the finances of the club this year.

We started the year with a healthy balance of £4745. This was added to with the annual grant of £200 from CTC HQ.

As you can see we hired St Thomas Church hall for the curry night and the AGM. We also hired the circuit at Westpoint for our bike handling course.

The committee felt that a donation of £500 was warranted for the excellent work that the Exeter Cycling Campaign continue to do to promote cycling and safety in our area.

This leaves us with a balance of £4085 to carry forward.

Due to time constraints, these accounts remain unaudited currently. This will be undertaken as soon as possible.

Once again, I hope you enjoy the evening – I look forward to seeing you all again soon,

Best Wishes, Dave

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR CTC EXETER PERIOD ENDING 31/03/2023 (UNAUDITED)

	2022/23	2021/22
BANK BALANCE	4062	4723
PETTY CASH	23	22
TOTAL	4085	4745
INCOME		
GRANT CTC HQ	200	200
TOTAL	200	200
EXPENDITURE		
HALL HIRE AGM	56	30
HALL HIRE CURRY NIGHT	64	
HIRE OF CIRCUIT FOR BIKE HANDLING COURSE	240	
DONATION TO EXETER CYCLING CAMPAIGN	500	
TOTAL	860	30
SUMMARY		
INCOME	200	200
EXPENDITURE	860	30
SURPLUS	(660)	170
C/F 2022	4745	4575
TOTAL	4085	4745

Note:- Payments for the club Christmas meal were paid into this account, then out again to the venue. As there is no nett gain or loss to the club, I have not included them in this summary.

6 Approval of Treasurer's report and accounts

Proposed: Tim Green

Seconded: Martin Warren

Unanimous approval, subject to completion of the audit as soon as possible.

7 Election of Committee and Honorary Auditor for 2023/24

Election of committee for 2023/2024

All of the committee members are willing to stand again in their current roles. However, Lyndsay Kyrke-Smith wishes to stand down once a replacement can be found. The Committee are of the view that any replacement should be a regular Sunday B rider to ensure adequate group representation.

Nominations

Committee

Chair	Paul Ewings
Secretary	Ian Grundberg
Treasurer	Dave Martin
Membership Secretary	Lyndsay Kyrke-Smith
Safeguarding Officer	Ian Holding
Sunday A Rides co-ordinator	Dave Martin
Sunday B Rides co-ordinator	Roy Russell
Publicity Officer	Roy Russell
Committee Member	Martin Warren
Committee Member	Marilyn Spurr

Non – Committee roles

Bike Bus co-ordinators	Paul Ewings, John Rowland
Honorary Auditor	Glenis Weilding
Website	Paul Norris, Richard Eales
Rights of Way Officer	Roy Russell

Approved unanimously

The Chair also requested the meeting's approval for the Committee to replace Lyndsay Kyrke-Smith when a suitable candidate is found.

Approved unanimously

8 Any other business:

WhatsApp group for Thursday BikeBus rides: This has become a very useful tool to communicate any last-minute changes due to weather conditions or venues as they arise. Any regular riders who would like to be included in this group are asked to let Paul Ewings have their phone numbers.

Dangerous roads:

Aller to Horn Cross, east of Cullompton. Very slippery even when the weather is dry, four riders have fallen here in the last six months.

College Lane Ide, from the ford to the top of Bakers Hill. Very poor winter condition.

Mill Lane – Rydon Lane (Watery Lane) from Exton to Woodbury. Very poor condition

The formal meeting closed at 8 pm and was immediately followed by talks from two invited speakers, Will Page from RideOn, the local cycling charity and Ross Lovell, a Devon-based endurance cyclist. Both talks were very interesting indeed and sincere thanks are due to them for being our guest speakers at the AGM.