

2024 AGM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Presented to Annual General Meeting – 9 March 2024

Following last years AGM and the re-introduction of the rides list I am pleased to report that the number of participants has increased, it is particularly encouraging to see the increase in activity in the middle and eastern end of the region. Sadly this year the western end has suffered with several members having health problems and we wish all those affected a speedy recovery.

On the positive side we have something rather special to look forward too - the three villages of Kerr Mill, Penpont and Tyrone formed a trust and are going to host the Kirkpatrick Macmillan Rally KM2024 with all the facilities being based in Penpont Friday 24th May to Monday 27th May 2024

The 2023-24 season saw a number of members who either rode with or were part of the support team for Granny Mave on her 1,000 mile epic fund raising cycle around Scotland.

We welcomed a number of cycling groups to our area Leeds / Harrogate in May

Edinburgh Lothians and Borders CTC in June(Also Supported Mavis from Edinbugh) Cycle Ayrshire in July

Fife and Kinross CTC in September(Also supported Mavis from and Dundee/Fife) On each of these occasions we managed to have a member or members join in to show the delights of Dumfries and Galloway.

A number of members have undertaken some exacting rides this year with two 100 mile rides on the menu and a 200K Audax.

Collaboration with neighbouring cycling groups has been a feature this year with joint rides with the Eden Valley CTC, KM Wheelers, The Galloway Lads and Lasses not forgetting the ever popular Wednesday Wheelers

Long may the welcoming sprit of cycling continue.

Thank you.

Robert Rostock Chairman