

Minutes of the Eighteenth Annual General Meeting
The Scottish Cyclists' Union
(Company Number SC261263)



26th November 2022 (12:00pm – 1:00pm)
Hampden Park, Letherby Drive, Glasgow, G42 9BA

1 Attendance

1.1 Board of Directors

Nick Rennie, Chief Executive (NR)
 Kathy Gilchrist; President, Chair (KG)
 Martin Cooke (MAC)
 Fiona Cockburn (FC)
 Diane Clayton-Chisholm (DCC)
 John Watt (JW)
 Nigel Holl (NH)
 Colin Allanach (CA)
 James McCallum (JM)

1.2 Past Presidents

1.3 Staff (non-voting)

Stuart McCue-Dick, Company Secretary & Head of Business Operations (SMD)
 Stephen Hilbourne, Finance and Business Operations Manager (SWH)
 Pete Matthews, Head of Marketing and Communications (PM)
 Sophie McCall, Head of Development and Participation (SM)
 Fraser Johnston, Project Lead – 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships & Club Development (FJ)
 David Somerville, Head of Performance and Coaching (DS)
 Graeme Maclean, Head of Developing Mountain Biking in Scotland (GM)

1.4 Clubs, Associations & Groups

Club Name	Voting Strength	Present
Walkers Cycling Club	4	Room
Lomond Roads CC	4	Room
EH Star Cycling	1	Proxy
Glasgow Gals Cycling Club	4	Room
North Argyll Cycle Club	3	Room
Scottish Veterans T.T.A.	1	Room
Edinburgh RC	21	Room
West Lothian Clarion CC	14	Proxy
Ecosse Northboats	2	Room
Falkirk Junior Bike Club	7	Proxy
Stirling Bike Club	18	Room
Cumbernauld Centurions BMX Club	7	Room
Elgin CC	10	Room
Western Titans BMX Club	3	Room
Glasgow Green Cycle Club	9	Room
VC Glasgow South	7	Room
Glasgow Riderz	8	Room
Insch Cycling Club	3	Room
Deeside Thistle CC	30	Room
Galloway Hillbillies Bike Club	1	Room

1.5 Observers

1.6 Notice of Meeting

The Chair of the Meeting welcomed the membership and read the notice of the meeting. Voting strength was confirmed as 157 (135 in the room and 22 by proxy).

2 Apologies

Apologies were received from George Miller (Past President, Scottish Cycling), Tom Bishop (Past President, Scottish Cycling) and Scott Hutchinson (Director, Scottish Cycling).

3 President's Remarks

KG began with a moments reflection for those members who had passed away during the past year.

KG then gave an overview of her first year as President highlighting the many events she had been able to attend from club races all the way up to the Commonwealth Games. All had been inspiring and KG paid tribute to the many volunteers, staff and Board members who had worked to make them all such a success. KG concluded her review by looking forward to next year's UCI World Championships and the opportunities it would bring to cycling across Scotland.

4 Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any matters arising

The minutes of last year's meeting were proposed by Jim Prentice from Stirling Bike Club and seconded by Colin Chisholm from Stirling Bike Club. The minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands.

5 Consideration and approval of 2022 Annual Report

NR started his report by noting that the annual report had been included in the AGM pack that was circulated in advance of the meeting and was also available to read on the website.

NR highlighted some of the areas of success during the past 12 months from guided rides, Glasgow Go Ride, Breeze, Rock Up and Ride to investment in new facilities to a very successful Commonwealth Games.

A short video highlighting the achievements of the year was then played.

NR noted that one question from Edinburgh Road Club had been received in advance of the meeting in relation to the new British Cycling (BC) partnership with Shell and read out the response which had been posted on the website. NR provided further clarity on the deal noting the benefits would cover 3 very specific areas – elite innovation, sustainability and accessibility. It was noted that BC had taken time to work with Shell to fully understand their commitment to the partnership which was not at principal level. NR acknowledged that the initial communication about the deal could have been better and agreed to provide clubs with a more detailed statement that could be shared with their members.

Colin Chisholm from Stirling Bike Club asked a question in relation to the future of YTOS given it has been cancelled in 2023. NR noted that it was fantastic experience for all involved but rising costs meant it was not currently viable to run. Work to create a more cost-effective model was already underway. It was confirmed that other development opportunities would be provided over the coming year to ensure riders don't miss out.

Approval of the annual report was proposed by Phil Darby from Edinburgh Road Club and seconded by Fiona Walker of Walkers Cycling Club. The annual report was approved unanimously by a show of hands.

Financial Statements for 12 months ended 31st March 2022

SWH began his presentation by noting that a full set of the annual accounts had been included in the AGM pack circulated in advance of the meeting. SWH thanked the members of the Finance & Governance Committee as well as the staff team for their help and support over the past 12 months.

SWH then gave a brief summary of the results for the year covering:

- Surplus
- Income
- Expenditure
- Reserves

SWH noted that the surplus of £22,068 was inline with the projections for the year.

No questions were raised on the financial statements.

The financial statements were proposed by Fiona Walker from Walkers Cycling Club and seconded by Phil Darby from Edinburgh Road Club. The financial statements were approved unanimously by a show of hands.

The Chair thanked SWH for his efforts over the past year.

6 Announcements of the fees and contributions for the ensuing year

The Chair of the Meeting reported that there will be no change to club affiliations and levies for 2023.

7 Resolutions relating to alternations to the Articles or Ordinary resolutions or announcements relating to amendments or additions to the rules, bye-laws and standing orders

SMD outlined the proposal to increase the number of appointed directors from 4 to 6 to help broaden the make-up, background and lived experiences of the Board noting that a copy of the resolution and revised Articles showing the marked-up changes had been included in the AGM pack circulated in advance of the meeting.

In response to a question from Edinburgh Road Club SMD noted that the proposal would also allow any future skills gap on the Board to be addressed whilst still ensuring that the number of elected directors outnumbered the number of appointed positions.

The resolution was proposed by Carol Thompson from Glasgow Gals Cycling Club and seconded by Peter Coward from BC Glasgow South. The resolution was approved unanimously by a show of hands.

8 Appointment of person(s) responsible for certifying the accounts for the ensuing year

Scottish Cycling recommended to re-appoint Azets. This was proposed by Fiona Cockburn from Torvelo Racing and seconded by Fiona Walker from Walkers Cycling Club. The appointment was approved unanimously by a show of hands.

9 Competent motions not affecting the Articles, Rules, Byelaws and standing orders.

No motions were received.

10 Badge of Honour

The Chair of the Meeting advised that the board proposed two recipients of the Scottish Cycling Gold Badge of Honour, Rita Montgomery and Rab Wardell.

KG noted that Rita was a trailblazer championing woman's cycling in Scotland long before it was popular or given parity. Rita was presented with her award by KG and addressed the meeting saying that you could achieve anything you want if you set your mind to it.

KG outlined the massive impact Rab had made on cycling in Scotland across all disciplines. Noting that his family would be present to accept the award at the dinner later that day.

Both awards were unanimously approved by a show of hands.

11 Election of President & Directors

SMD informed the meeting there was no election for President this year as KG moved on to the second year of her term of office.

SMD outlined that there were five elected spaces available on the Board with 4 nominations having been received:

Standing for re-election:

Diane Clayton-Chisholm

Fiona Cockburn

Nigel Holl

New nomination

Mari Everett

All 4 were elected unanimously by a show of hands.

KG thanked James McCallum and Scott Hutchinson who were stepping down for their contribution during their time on the Board.

KG thanked everyone for attending and officially closed the meeting at 1.00pm