# SCOTTISH CYCLISTS' UNION (SC 261263) 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



## Agenda Item 10

## **Badge of Honour Nominations**

There are three nominations from the Board for the Scottish Cycling Badge of Honour this year is as follows:

#### **Jack Carlin**

Jack Carlin announced his retirement from competitive cycling in October 2025, calling time on a career that sees him bow out as the third most decorated Scottish male Olympian (across all sports) of all-time.

A two-time Olympian, Jack won a pair of medals at both the Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 Games, both times winning silver in the Team Sprint and bronze in the Individual Sprint. Jack also boasts a trio of Commonwealth Games medals, won across the 2018 and 2022 editions, where he was extremely proud to represent Scotland, memories he notes as some of his most cherished.

Carlin also won a plethora of World and European medals, his final World Championships the 'super-worlds' in Glasgow in 2023 where he fought tooth and nail to win Sprint bronze; this warrior like performance perhaps underlining the resilience and tenacity that typified his career.

The boy from Paisley, who was inspired by Glasgow 2014, leaves behind a tremendous legacy, and is already giving back as part of the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games athlete advisory committee.

### **Kathy Gilchrist**

Kathy Gilchrist is a name that needs very little introduction as a trailblazer in women's cycling. Kathy's involvement in the sport started in America where she managed the velodrome in Houston, Texas, was a Team Manager at the World University Games, a founding member of the National Collegiate Cycling Association and progressed to sit on the United States Cycling Federation Board of Directors.

On moving to Scotland, Kathy would continue to forge her own path; after being elected onto the Scottish Cycling board, she would go on to become the first ever female Chair, and then President, and would consider herself Scottish Cycling's

biggest supporter, attending countless bike races of all disciplines to cheer on riders of all ages and abilities.

Since her final term on the Scottish Cycling board ended last year, Kathy has invested her time and energy as a trustee of the Scottish Cycling Foundation, which has absorbed the Braveheart Cycling Fund under its jurisdiction. Kathy's latest achievement has been spearheading the successful return of the Braveheart Ride & Dinner after a nine-year hiatus, as the Foundation goes from strength to strength.

## **Tommy Banks**

Tommy Banks has devoted a lifetime of service to Scottish Cycling and the wider cycling community in Scotland. Following in his father's footsteps, Tommy would take up track sprinting and go on to represent Scotland at the 1970 Commonwealth Games, as well as winning no fewer than 18 Scottish titles before hanging up his racing wheels. Tommy would remain a lifelong member of Glasgow Wheelers however, a large portion of this as a committee member, driving the club forward.

Tommy went on to become a Scottish Cycling board member from 2009 to 2013. During this time, he and then President Alasdair MacLennan were the two key individuals working on ensuring Glasgow had a velodrome for the 2014 Games, and advising Glasgow City Council to make sure the specification would be of maximum benefit to the sport. In Alasdair's words, Tommy should take most of the credit for how it has turned out, and the legacy it provides to this very day.

Latterly, Tommy has continued to plough his energy into the track scene, notably as a committee member of the Glasgow Track League, and an ever-present in track circles. Tommy was also heavily involved with WOSCA, through which most of the West of Scotland talent came through, and also supported Neah Evans when she first started track cycling.