Cycling Ulster Off Road Commission (CUORC) Annual General Meeting Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019 Seagoe Hotel, Portadown Minutes

#### 1. Chairman's Address

Chairman, Dylan Lyness (DL) opened the meeting at 13:10PM by welcoming delegates. All those in attendance were invited to observe a moment's silence in acknowledgement of members who had passed away in the last year. DL thanked members of the commission and Cycling Ulster before handing over to Martin Grimley (MG) to go through the presentation.

## 2. CUORC Summary & minutes from previous AGM

MG outlined the current structure and remit of CUORC. Acceptance of the 2018 minutes was proposed by Mark Harvey and seconded by Bernard McClure (BMC).

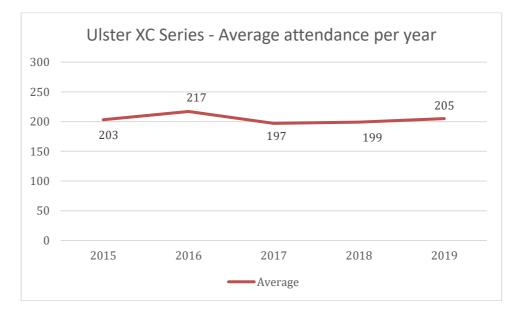
## 3. 2019 Review

DL and MG gave a review of the events from the last AGM in October 2018 to the present day for cross-country, cyclo-cross and enduro (see next paragraphs).

MG and BMC gave an update on talks between the NI Forestry Service, councils (Belfast City and Newry, Mourne and Down) and the Commission regarding the use of natural trails. The development of trails / access to natural trails is a slow progress. The commission will continue being part of these discussions.

## 4. XC Review

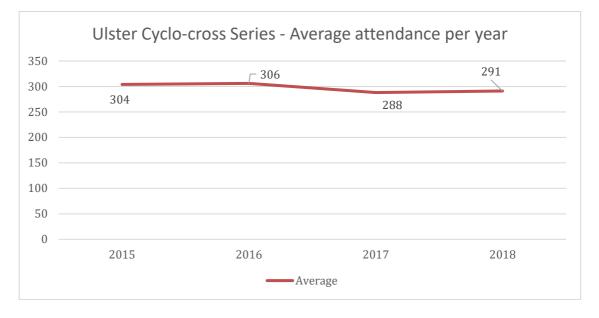
The number of participants was compared over the last 5 years.



No issues with the timetable or fees. Comment about the Ulster XC dates clashing with the Ulster Enduro dates.

## 5. CX Review

The 2018 season was reviewed in comparison with previous years.



Eight dates have been proposed for the 2019 series with 7 clubs signed up to do this.

The pricing schedule was reviewed with a proposal made (see paragraph 10). The timetable was reviewed without change. The gridding of riders for Round 1 was discussed and a proposal made (see paragraph 10). MG outlined a change to the point systems for the Men's A and B races. There was a discussion about the prize money and a suggestion to have a full podium of juniors. MG emphasised that if the juniors were in a different race then they needed to start together and not mixed up with the other riders. It was felt that it was better for rider development to let juniors race against the seniors.

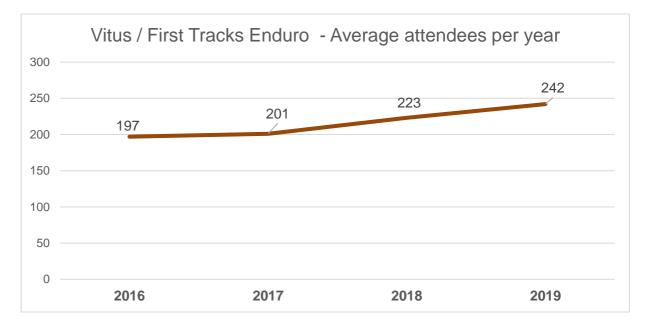
There was a discussion regarding how the clubs were chosen for the 2020 Ulster Cyclo-cross series with the current system (drawing club names from a hat) still being used but that the following would be noted;

- Lurgan Park would not be guaranteed the first round (see gridding proposal in paragraph 10).
- If the same club was drawn to get the last round for 2 years in a row that something would be done to not allow this to happen.

At the last AGM the date of the first round of the Ulster Cyclo-cross series was set to be the first weekend in October. Tommy McCague asked that CUORC liaise with the Road Commission/CU Technical Officer if there are any other cyclo-cross dates pencilled in before the first weekend in October.

## 6. Enduro

This year's events for the Vitus / First Tracks were reviewed in comparison to the last 3 years. It was noted that the female entries still sit below 5%. The commission supports the Ulster Enduro championships.



## 7. Rider Development

In November 2018 a team of 4 Ulster riders were sent to race at the British National Trophy Cyclo-cross event in York. This consisted of Juniors and Under 23s.

Youth Camp (up to Under 12s) resumed in 2019 on 5 evenings with the attendance numbers ranging from 8 to 35. MG thanked Claire Young, Steven Lindsay and Gary McKeegan for their support in running these.

The commission sponsored riders to attend 4 rounds of the British XC Series (one round was cancelled). The team comprised second year Under 16s up to Under 23s.

It was highlighted that the commission did not do any activities for the Under 14s and first year 16s. In previous years there had been skills training for the Inter-regional MTB championships but this event was not being run by British Cycling in 2019. The commission has committed to developing riders in this age group in 2020. DL to set up a meeting with parents to agree the best way forward.

## 8. Accounts

MG outlined the budget and spend since the last AGM (see details at the end of this document).

## 9. Elections

The commission needs a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus up to six commission members. No nominations were put forward before the meeting. The incumbents were asked if they would stay on with one new member taken on board.

Role	Nominee	Proposed by	Seconded by	Show of hands
Chair	Dylan Lyness	Martin Grimley	Brendan Doherty	Carried
Secretary	Martin Grimley	Dylan Lyness	Scott Maitland	Carried
Treasurer	Lisa Millar	Dylan Lyness	Ruth Aiken	Carried
Member	Bernard McClure	Martin Grimley	Gareth McKee	Carried
Member	Graham Boyd	Mark Harvey	Bernard McClure	Carried
Member	Gareth McKee	Maurice Mayne	Brendan Doherty	Carried
Member	Nicola McKiverigan	Dylan Lyness	Ruth McKee	Carried
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#### 10. Motions

No motions were received in advance of the meeting. At the meeting the following proposals were agreed.

The gridding for Round 1 of the Ulster Cyclo-cross series would be based on the overall results from the previous year. This would be for all categories (Under 8s to Seniors)

Proposer: Brendan Doherty, Seconder: Mark Harvey – Show of hands went to a draw with the Chair deciding to accept the motion.

For the 2020 series the entry fees for the Senior riders would increase from £12 (pre-registration with payment), £15 (pre-registration only), £20 (on the day) to

£15 (pre-registration with payment), £18 (pre-registration only), £20 (on the day) The extra money would be used to increase the prize money pot. The commission is to work out how the prize money could be increased across categories. Proposer: Brendan Doherty, Seconder: Mark Harvey – Motion accepted

## 11. Any other business

DL stressed the importance of volunteers and expressed his desire to see more volunteers for the off-road discipline.

Tommy McCague thanked CUORC on behalf of CU Executive for all the work done by the commission.

#### 12. Close of AGM

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the AGM (15:30).

# Cycling Ulster Off-road Commission Accounts 12 October 2018 – 26 September 2019

ITEM	INCOME	OUTGOINGS
Meetings		-£311.15
Capital spend / assets		-£1,159.89
CX race levy	£890.00	
XC race levy	£400.00	
Stationery and posters		-£9.94
Postage		-£12.15
Consumables		-£19.72
Subscriptions		-£30.00
_ Training		-£95.00
Youth Camp	£139.00	-£63.16
Medals and trophies		-£1,004.20
National Trophy CX 2018	£140.00	-£1,788.50
British XC Series	£1,215.00	-£8,380.43
Commissaire fees		-£185.00
Other	£95.00	-£301.87
TOTAL	£2,879.00	-£13,361.01
	SPEND	-£10,482.01

# CUORC Kitty

As of 26 September 2019 £67.89

Capital spend / assets	
Cyclo-cross signage on the boards/jumps	-£132.00
Cyclo-cross youth dismount signs	-£84.00
Waste paper bin	-£2.49
Branded gazebo roof and sides	-£750.00
Rope for gridding template	-£47.40
Ulster CX Championships podium backdrop	-£144.00
TOTAL	-£1,159.89

## **AGM Attendees**

Name	Club
Dylan Lyness	Apollo CT
Gareth McKee	Banbridge CC
Maurice Mayne	Banbridge CC
Ruth McKee	Banbridge CC
Bernard McClure	Cavehill Mountain Bike Club
Martin Grimley	Dromara Cycling Club
Tommy McCague	Emyvale CC
Sean Scullion	Island Wheelers
Scott Maitland	Killinchy Cycling Club
Graham Boyd	McConvey Cycles
Aidan McCool	Square Wheels CC
Brendan Doherty	VC Glendale
Mark Harvey	VC Glendale

## Apologies

Lisa Millar, Nicola McKiverigan, Marcus Cromie