



Commission members 2024/2025

Position	Name
Chair	none
Secretary	Martin Grimley
Treasurer	Nicola McKiverigan
Commission member	Brendan Doherty
Commission member	Chris Brown
Commission member	Ciara Doherty
Commission member	Gareth McKee
Commission member	Gary Donaldson

1. Minutes from previous AGM

Acceptance of the minutes from the AGM held on 4 November 2024 was proposed by Claire Young and seconded by Donna Smith. There were no queries.

2. 2024/2025 Review

Martin Grimley (secretary) noted the lack of a chair for 2024/25 which impacted the drive and focus of the commission. The role of the commission needs to change to refocus on building the bottom team of the progression pyramid, get more riders to events, build for future talent to come through.

Martin highlighted the 3 websites and 3 Facebook pages that are maintained for the commission, Ulster cross-country racing and Ulster cyclo-cross racing. Donna Smith has offered to update the logos on the pages in line with Cycling Ulster standards.

There were 5 cyclo-cross events in Ulster in the 2024/2025 season, 2 cross-country events including the Ulster championships, and there are 7 cyclo-cross events planned for the 2025/2026 season. There were no enduro or downhill events in Ulster in 2024/2025.

The commission had a consultation in April 2025 regarding the lack of off-road events. Some actions from that was to have the commission 'front' the events with volunteers coming from different clubs to help run the event.

Martin also sits on the UK Trails Project group inputting what is happening in Ulster to the wider UK group.

Inter-provincial Youth MTB Competition 2025

- Four Ulster teams at this event
- The commission held three training sessions in August/September

Women's New to CX initiative in conjunction with the CU Women's Commission

- Q&A session in August.
- Three training sessions in September and October

Youth MTB Ready to Race day

- Davagh Forest – September 2025
- 35 riders in the U10/U12/U14/U16 age groups

3. Accounts

Cycling Ulster Off-road Commission Accounts to 20 October 2025

Budget submitted to CU on 7 February £10.8k

Confirmed budget on 20 February of £10k

Objective	Details	Debit	Credit
Coaching opportunity	Suspension Tuning & Coaching	-£ 600.00	
Coaching opportunity	Uplifts - enduro/downhill	-£ 100.00	
Coaching opportunity	Rosco - enduro/downhill	-£ 200.00	
Event support	Commissaire fees Ulster CX Championships 2024	-£ 145.00	
Event support	Ulster CX Series Trophies	-£ 377.00	
Coaching opportunity	Inter-provincial Youth MTB Competition	-£ 300.00	
Coaching opportunity	Youth MTB Ready To Race - entry fees		£ 555.00
Event support	Youth MTB Ready To Race - medals	-£ 133.99	
Coaching opportunity	Youth MTB Ready To Race - coach fee	-£ 150.00	
Event support	Commissaire fees Ulster XC Championships	-£ 60.00	
Website	Ulster xc	-£ 21.60	
Coaching opportunity	Women's introduction to cyclo-cross	-£ 50.00	
Commission expenses	Mileage	-£ 104.00	
		-£ 2,241.59	£ 555.00

Further payments to come out of the account

Ulster XC Championships – event shortfall - £941

Outstanding coaching fees (~£200) – Ready to Race

Proposal to purchase a chip timing system (~£5.7k)

Proposed coaching session in November (tbc)

4. Elections

Nicola McKiverigan, Brendan Doherty, Chris Brown and Ciara Doherty had stepped down during the year. The rest of the commission members are staying on. Thanks to Keith for volunteering to join the commission. We are still in need of a chair and treasurer.

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Chair	TBC
Secretary	Martin Grimley
Treasurer	TBC
Commission member	Gareth McKee
Commission member	Gary Donaldson
Commission member	Keith Crymble

5. Any other business

- The commission recognised the great work from Oliver Logan to get Omagh Wheelers, Square Wheels and Island Wheelers to put on youth cyclo-cross coaching/racing sessions mid-week during the summer. Oliver is keen to expand on this for 2026.
- Provincial Youth MTB Competition – it would be great to see this event grow. The limitation of having a girl on each team reduced the numbers that could attend. This will be reviewed by the event organiser going forward.
- Tying in with the skills part of the Provincial Youth MTB Competition it was suggested that Ulster coaches could work with youth to bring on the skills that are tested at the provincial competition. Martin has offered to run smaller scale competitions (monthly, in Ulster only) to help provide the youth a goal to keep practicing.
- Enduro riders would need to step up to help run enduro events in Ulster.
- Youth who would like to race enduro but whose parents don't cycle, are limited in their attendance to the open enduro events as there is a specification around being accompanied by an adult. There was a suggestion to make these open-events part of a development session with coaches leading the youth round in place of parents.

6. Close of AGM

MG thanked the commission members who have stepped down, the Cycling Ulster Executive for their support and all the volunteers who have helped with the coaching sessions. MG also thanked everyone for attending and closed the AGM at 9:05 pm.

AGM Attendees

First Name	Last Name	Club
Claire	Young	Apollo Cycling Team
Donna	Smith	Emyvale CC
Gary	Donaldson	Team Caldwell Cycles
Gemma	McNamara	Bangor City Bike Club
Keith	Crymble	Apollo Cycling Team
Leona	Farrell	Newry Wheelers CC
Martin	Grimley	Dromara Cycling Club
Martin	Montague	Foyle CC

Apologies: Gareth McKee (Cycleology Racing Team), Gary O'Donnell (Smugglers Cycle Club)