# **Welwyn Hatfield Cycling Forum**

### **3rd Annual General Meeting**

15<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Present: Adam Edwards (Chair), Cathy Wilkins, Roger Moulding, Jeremy Payne,

Chris Cooke, Chris Whitehouse, Bryn Jones, John Shead.

**1** Apologies for absence: Tom Morley

## 2 Minutes of the previous meeting held 11.5.11 and matters arising

The Chair had forgotten to bring his copy (!) and as no one else had a copy either, discussion was held over until the next meeting. The following actions were remembered:

- Goody Bag is ordered. It should be delivered in time for the Welwyn Festival tall.
- Web site: Adam and Chris think they are able to gain control and edit for themselves and will report back next meeting.
- Member discounts: John had asked Hatfield Cycles who would offer 10% off if we chose to introduce a formal membership scheme. Noted STACC now have a day members rate of 20p to ensure covered by insurance.

#### 3 Annual General Meeting items

### 3.1 Chair's Report for year ending 31st March 2011

This was accepted having been proposed by Roger and seconded by Cathy.

## 3.2 Treasurer's Report for year ending 31st March 2011

- Report accepted. Proposed by Chris C and Seconded by Jeremy.
- Election of Auditor for 2011-2012: Cathy has agreed to do this again.
- A signed copy should be scanned and added to the Yahoo documents for the record. **Action Roger.**

#### 4 Planned events

- Adam to send Roger risk analysis form for a possible ride from Welwyn. Action Adam
- Ride to St Albans: Reminder to all from STACC that no riding is allowed in Verulamium Park. Any riding is undermining their attempts to get the park friends to agree to a single route across it.

Date	Destination	Start from	Route	Miles	Lead	Riders
17/4/1	Potters Bar via South Mimms	Hatfield Station,	12 GN Way	7 x 1	Adam	2A/2C
1 Sun	Services	11:00				
08/5/1	St Albans Signal Box and	Wrestler's Bridge,	61 Alban	2 x 5	Adam	1A/2C
1 Sun	Clarence Park	13:00	Way			
21/5/1	Earthworks Hill End open day	Wrestler's Bridge,	61 Alban	2 x 3	John	0
1 Sat		13:00	Way			
18/6/1	Welwyn Festival	Welwyn, 10-13:00	Stall and		Roger	
1 Sat			bike checks		Cathy	
18/6/1	St Albans Festival, Verulamium	Ellenbrook Lane	61 Alban	2 x 5	John	0
1 Sat	Park	Hatfield, 12:00	Way		Adam	
23/6/1	Earthworks barbecue for STACC	Wrestler's Bridge,	61 Alban	2 x 3	John	0
1		18:30	Way		Bryn	
Thurs						
10/71	Wheathampstead Village day	Campus West, 11:00	57 Ayot	2 x 6	Adam	
1			Greenway		Roger	
Sun						

10/8/1 1 W	Pub ride	Meet at pub at 19:00			All	
21/8/1 1 Sun	Colney Heath railway	Wrestler's Bridge, 13:30	61 Alban Way	2 x 3	Adam	
03/9/1 1 Sat	Earthworks Hill End open day	Wrestler's Bridge	61 Alban Way	2 x 3	?	

#### 5 Any other business

- Alban Way:
  - o Cathy reported Herts Highways will pay 50% of the cost of resurfacing from Ellenbrook westwards. David Burt is meeting Groundworks to discus them doing this as they will be very cost effective. Offer is also open to St Albans if they wish to do their section.
  - o The slope and steps resident has agreed to help fund the cost of swapping them round so the slope is therefore better placed for cyclists and the hazard at his property is removed.
  - o Tree roots which have come through the new tarmac will be redone by the contractor.
- Web site: Chris W suggested we might replace some sections with a more easily managed blog. **Action Chris, Adam.**
- Ellenbrook Fields: Chris C had been for a ride round the new park. Many sections are too rough for road bikes, but fun if on a mountain bike. Signs and surfaces in places poor. St Albans DC are responsible for chasing Goodmans on this, so agree Chris should write/email StADC and complain about the state of the cycle paths.
- Paths at Tesco: Adam reported the path from Great North Road to Comet Way round the back of Tesco is being reconstructed to full cycle path width.
- Work place challenge: John has found out that CTC charge companies £20,000 to join, so it is no wonder few except large corporates take this up.
- Schools: Chris now has a contact for Monks Walk (the deputy head) and will go and see him. **Action Chris C.**
- Social events: John suggested and agreed to organise occasional socials between meetings.

# **6** Dates of next meetings

13/7/11, 10/8/11 (Pub ride), 14/9/11, 12/10/11, 9/11/11, 14/12/11.