

WHITTLESEA BICYCLE USERS GROUP INC.

Committee of Management Meeting Minutes

04-08-2014

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1. Meeting Details

1.1 Meeting Time and Venue

6:42pm Waterlily Room, Whittlesea Council Offices.

1.2 Present

Glenn Eckardt (Chairperson), Lee Robinson, Robert Sutton, Ashley Sutton, Kevin Balaam, Ron Harvey, Michael Bates.

1.3 Apologies

Peter Duncombe (on extended leave).

2. Previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion: The minutes for the meetings of the 30-06-2014 are accepted as a true indication of the meeting:

Moved: Ash

Seconded: Glenn

Motion accepted.

2.2 Business arising from Previous Minutes

All items are covered in their appropriate sections.

3. Rides Subcommittee

3.1 Ride Reports

- Sunday 6/7 Mullum Mullum Ck – Ride leader Ron led a large group from Uni Hill through Watsonia to the Main Yarra Trail, Kunung Ck Trail and on to the Mullum Mullum Ck trail to Beasley's Tea House. Fortunately Beasley's don't split bills so we rode a further down the path to Petty's Orchard which we enjoyed and will be returning to. The return was via Templestowe, Eltham and Greensborough.
- Sunday 13/7 Newmarket via Airport West – Ride leader Kevin led a group of 11 on a very interesting ride from Thomastown Library along the M80 path to Airport West and onto the Maribyrnong River to Newmarket for Coffee and returning via the Moonee Ponds Ck path and the paths and back streets of Pascoe Vale. Very pleasant riding conditions covering about 55km at 17km/hr.
- Sunday 20/7 Loop Out Through Watsonia Return via Darebin Ck – Ride leader Robert led a group of approximately 9 from Uni Hill. Reasonably fast paced ride with a coffee stop at Northland Shopping Centre.
- Sunday 27/7 Around the Bay Training Ride – Ride leader Lee led a group of 4 from Bike 'N' Bean up Plenty Rd to Arthurs Ck Rd. through Arthurs Creek, Cottles Bridge to Hurstbridge for a coffee stop at the Post Office Café. Return was via Halleys Gully Rd to Doreen and on to Plenty Rd and Bike 'N' Bean. A round trip of just over 50km at approximately 24km/hr.



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- Sunday 3/8 Port Melbourne and the Yarra Punt – Ride leader Ron led a group of 11 from Thomastown Library down St Georges Rd. and Canning St to the city to try out the Latrobe St separated bike lanes and on to the new Jim Stynes Bridge, which doesn't go across the Yarra as we had assumed! On to Lorimer St and the punt returning along the Maribyrnong and the old cattle yards to the Capitol City Trail for a coffee/lunch break before returning via the Merri Ck. The 55km trip was ridden at about 17.5km/hr in pleasant riding conditions, although the start was quite fresh!

3.2 Future Rides

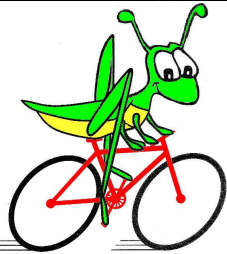
- Twilight Rides – Have ended until the recommencement of Daylight Savings Time.
- Sunday 10/8 Southbank via the Yarra Trail – Ride leader Glenn. Start 8:00am at Uni Hill.
- Sunday 17/8 City via Gardiners Ck – Ride leader Peter. Start 8:00am at Thomastown Library.
- Sunday 24/8 Gellibrand Hill – Ride leader Ron. Start 8:00am at Thomastown Library.
- Sunday 31/8 Around the Bay Training Ride – Ride Leader Lee. Details to be announced.
- Sunday 7/9 (Fathers Day) Mullum Mullum Ck to Pettys Orchard – Ride leader Ron. Start 8:00am at Uni Hill.

3.3 Ride Issues

- Fast Ride Pace – We are getting feedback that some of our earlier regular riders are not attending the rides as they feel the ride pace is not relaxed enough.
- Coffee Breaks or Lunch Breaks? – Ron commented that on the last ride a couple of people ordered meals at the coffee break which increases the break time. Kevin pointed out that this ride had the break quite late in the ride, about three hours after the start, which may have contributed to the appetites. Ron was not opposed to this but felt others may not appreciate the longer stops if they are not expecting them. Something for the committee to consider.

4. Marketing Subcommittee

- Merchandise - Water Bottles – Bottles are being distributed to members as they pay their fees. Committee is pleased with the result and appreciated Ashley and Robert's work on this project.
- BUG Jersey – Glenn has been waiting on clarification of our financial position before committing to payments. Considering some sponsorship possibilities, will need to look at costs and details of placing sponsors on tops. Michael to make enquiries about the possibility of Council sponsorship. Ron to ask at Wheelers bike shop. Further discussion, no final decision yet. Hope to cost the tops at \$50. Need sizes and possibility of long sleeve versions.



5. Finance & Membership Subcommittee

5.1 Treasurer's Report

- Draft Treasurers report tabled. Current account value \$12,548.65

5.2 Finance/Fundraising Report

- Nothing to report.

5.3 Membership Report

- Membership – Paul Martin and Graeme Wilson are financial members but we do not have their address as required for our records.
- New Memberships – Paul Formosa and Fred El-Najjar have been accepted as new members.

6. IT & Website Subcommittee

6.1 Newsletter Items

- Ideas for Newsletter – Nothing received as yet, Ash would welcome ideas.

7. Advocacy Subcommittee

7.1 Issues Raised for the BUG's Consideration

- None.

7.2 Council Update

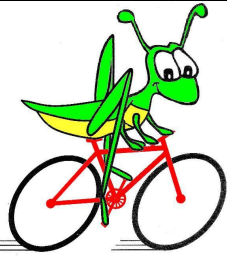
- None.

7.3 New Infrastructure

- None.

7.4 Infrastructure Priority Review

- With the completion of the Darebin Rd Path WBUG's priorities are now:
 - 1 Darebin Ck Path – currently mostly good granetic sand other than the new section from the M80 to the tennis courts.
Need to go to McKimmies Rd,
then to Sycamore Reserve.
Kevin suggested in the longer term it should go to Bridge Inn Rd to provide a link for the new developmewnts.
 - 2 Edgars Ck Path – Concrete path to extend from Spring St to Main St.
 - 3 Yan Yean Pipe Track – this is supported by BNV but Ron considers Hendersons Drain is a better proposition, less road crossings. WBUG will support either.



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- 4 Plentry Rd Shared Path.
- 5 Rusty Bridge link between Hume and Whittlesea Councils. Problems because it does involve two, councils.
- 6 East/West Link, possibly O'Herns Rd
- 7 Ride loop around Whittlesea.

8. Committee Guidelines

8.1 Constitution / Model Rules

- New Model Rules – Need to review them and have details ready to be adopted at this year's AGM. Recommend adopting the Rules as they are and point out any differences it will make. Still to be done.

9. Other Business

9.1 Insurance

- Current Insurance – Have we paid it? Have we received an invoice/reminder?

9.2 Rider Survey

- Ron suggested we need to survey our current riders to find out what they like/want from rides. Lee to draft survey and run past Ron before it we eventually place it in our newsletter.

9.3 Mill Park Secondary Cycling Club

- Mother of a Mill Park Secondary Student who is organising their school's Around the Bat team has contacted us via email to see if we can offer some support. Offer of ride for them Public Gardens to Craigieburn. Lee has contacted but due to some members not having bikes it seems unlikely to continue.

9.4 WBUG Bikes

- WBUG had 2 or 3 from the Ausbike training grant? Lee to contact Peter to see if he knows their whereabouts and Michael to check with the council who may be storing them for us.

10. Future Meetings

10.1 Committee Meetings

- The next Committee will be at 6:30 pm, Mon 25-8-2014 in the Council Offices.

10.2 General Meetings

- AGM to be organised.



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11. Meeting Closed

- 9:00 pm