



VTТА West Group

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF VTТА WEST GROUP

Held on Sunday 4th November 2018

The meeting commenced at 10.00 with 23 members present.

- Apologies
Received from – Peter Wilson, Roger Taylor, Paul Winchcombe, Mike Jupp, Marilyn Barraclough, Keith Williams and Ray Retter
- Minutes of the VTТА West Group AGM held on Sunday 29th October 2017. These were distributed for the meeting and relevant points highlighted.
- An addendum to the Treasurers balance sheet was handed out and duly noted to the effect that under the heading 'Expenditure' the description of 'West Group Standards = £154.00' would be better described as 'West Group trophy plinth/shields/engraving = £154.00'.
- At the end of 2017 the group has various items as 'stock in hand' and this is summarised as follows – Editor Mike Jupp has 61 second class stamps and sufficient envelopes to cover posting of the Westvet Journal for 2018. Value (61 x 55p plus £10 envelopes) = £43.55. The Treasurer has 55 second class stamps (55 x 55p) = £30.25 plus 12 sheets of labels. The Recorder (Rob Hutchinson) has 61 centres in stock @ £2.50 each = £152.50

They were duly accepted and signed as accurate. Proposed – Mary-Jane Hutchinson, seconded – Brian Griffiths

- Matters Arising.
 1. The receiving of Westvet via E Mail to be highlighted and encouraged. **Secretary – Ongoing and included on the West Group membership application form.**
- Reports – Published in the Autumn edition of Westvet.

Secretary – Attached in appendix 1.

Treasurer – Attached in appendix 2. Ian noted that he had set aside £250.00 as provision of engraving, updating and refurbishment of the groups various trophies currently being organised by the Secretary, this has meant we have an estimated profit of £158.30 although this will be finalised on conclusion of the trophy costs. The group has £2972.16 distributed between the Bank and National Savings account. Members donations totalled a very generous £215.72 and Ian expressed his thanks to these members.

It was noted that the Head Office levy paid to the VTТА is rising from £10 to £13 (single and married couple) but the Treasurer indicated we should 'weather the storm' and keep our members subs as they are. The Treasurer proposed that members' subs remain as they are for 2019 and the Group absorbs the Head Office Levy increase. Proposed by Ian Pritchard, Seconded by Mike Jupp.

It was noted that we will require a new auditor and Ian wished to place on record the groups thanks to Jeff Fry and Dave Galley

Paul Arayan asked for the reason of the increase and it was noted that the NEC is making provision for greater use of electronic data (Secretary's note – please refer to the National VTTA AGM minutes 26/01/2019 for further clarification). Ian noted that the levy increase would cost West Group in the region of £366. Mary-Jane pointed out that as we see new members joining the increase in electronic data usage should increase.

Recorder – Attached in appendix 3.

Rob pointed out that the list of results, although concise, is provisional, being up to 5th Oct 2018. He intended to publish any corrections in the next Journal publication. He noted three new national age records, 2 by Arja Scarsbrook at 10 and 15 miles and Ray Retter for his 12 hour ride. There is a new name on the ladies BAR with Michelle Lee also recording a new group age record for 100 miles. There are two tandem pairs to report on with both sets, Jo knight and Andrew Legge, Kim Smale and Mark Bradley returning new group age combined records. It was good to see John Murphy returning to competition. Out of 130 members 75 had competed in open competitions throughout 2018.

- Westvet Magazine Editor – Attached in appendix 4.

In his absence The Chair thanked Mike for his 6 years of work and no doubt the meeting would recognise his contribution

- Webmaster – Attached in appendix 5.

The Groups website started 10 years ago and during this time the national site has progressed to the extent that it is now a 'workable replacement for our current site' and by closing our own site this would result in a saving of £114 per year. The proposal is 'at the end of 2018 (or whenever the hosting charge is up for renewal) close the Cosmic hosted site and continue maintaining our web presence using the West Group pages on the VTTA national site. Tony reported he is happy to continue in the task.

Proposed Tony Emery

Seconded Mike Jupp

Carried

- The Veteran contributor – Brian Griffiths reported that news had been a bit 'lean' lately as he had not been 'out and about' as much as he would like. He is more than willing to carry on and the meeting thanked him for his contribution.

- Election of Officers.

That all officers, excluding the position of Westvet Editor, be re-elected en masse. Proposed by Janet Tebbutt and seconded by John Howells. Carried unanimously.

President	Ted King MBE (Previously proposed and accepted for life office)
Chair	Mr Brian Barraclough
Vice Chair	Mrs Mary-Jane Hutchinson
Secretary	Mr Gordon Scott
Treasurer	Mr Ian Pritchard
Recorder	Mr Rob Hutchinson
Westvet Editor	Vacant
Webmaster	Mr Tony Emery
Contact for Veteran Magazine	Mr Brian Griffiths

Delegate to CTT West DC – Paul Winchcombe sits on the West DC Committee in his position as Events Secretary and continues to keep us informed as and when required.

Delegate to WTTA – Mary-Jane Hutchinson does attend the WTTA meetings and has acted on our behalf. The Secretary continues as Chairman of the WTTA

- Annual Prize Presentation.

It is planned to present the awards at our groups own 'club event' to be organised by the Committee – **Action. Provisionally set for the afternoon of Saturday 6th April on the Sutton Benger 10 mile course UC861. HQ will be the new Seagry Village Hall (Goss Croft hall) We have booked the HQ from 1300 - 1800**

As with other club events non VTTA members may ride on the day with no claim to awards. Any assistance would be appreciated for both TT duties and food.

Cost will be £3.00 for the TT and as before I would appreciate entries prior to the event (either by phone, e mail or paper) as it lets me collate an entry list (and check standards!)

For the tea we would appreciate names and numbers, cost will be £4.00 each.

- Programme of Events for 2019

Group 10 mile Championship Harry Marsh Memorial Cup – Incorporated with the planned presentation as above.

Group 25 mile Championship Jack Gray Memorial – **To be included within the Bath CC event on Sunday 15th September, course – U370. Start time 0830**

Group 50 mile Championship The Arthur Wilcockson Trophy – After some discussion including the allowing of any 50 mile event nationally; the use of R courses in South Wales; it was agreed that any 50 mile event held within CTT districts that represent the vast majority of VTTA West Group members, i.e. West DC (U courses) or South West DC (S courses) would count as qualifiers for the Championship.

73 Degrees/Chippenham Wheelers	Course U86/50	2 nd June
Plymouth Corinthian CC	Course S4/50	28 th July
Velo Club Walcot	Course U109/50	1 st September

- Proposed items for the VTTA 2019 AGM **Saturday 26th January 2019, Ramada Hotel, Solihull.**
No proposals received

- Nominations for the Ted Bicknell Memorial Award for Outstanding Services to the Association
Mr Ted King. Proposed by G Scott and seconded by B Barraclough, Carried.
The following was submitted to the NEC

We would like to nominate our own President, Mr Ted King who has just celebrated his 90th birthday (as you will have read in the September edition of The Veteran). Ted joined Chippenham and District Wheelers and the VTTA in 1978 and as a result of racing interest and vast experience with committee proceedings was elected as our President in 1999. During his long service to all forms of cycling he has remained modest and an inspiration to the 'younger' riders in West Group. He still rides his bike for pleasure and is always on duty at the West Group functions offering words of encouragement to all. It is felt he epitomises all that is held in high esteem within the VTTA. At the subsequent NEC meeting the award went to Rachael Elliott

- For the C W Cooke Trophy. For the Most Meritorious Racing Performance
Arja Scarsbrook was proposed by Rob Hutchinson and seconded by Brian Griffiths, carried.
The following was submitted to the NEC

We would like to nominate Arja Scarsbrook (Bush Healthcare) for her two national age records at 10 and 15 miles. At the (I'm sure I can be forgiven for mentioning her age!) young age of 70 her 10 mile record a time of 24.18 is merit alone but this only added to her 15 mile record set at the VTTA championship in August with a time of 39.02. The 15 mile record also eclipses her record at the age of 69. Recently there has been a dramatic improvement in women's time trialling at all levels and

distances and we feel the Arja has continuously set new records that deserve recognition at a national level.

At the NEC meeting the award went to Kevin Tye

- The Janet Wilson Memorial Trophy – Awarded annually in recognition of outstanding achievement by a West Group member as determined by the AGM.

Jeff Fry and Dave Galley were jointly proposed by Rob Hutchinson and seconded by G Scott for their unstinting work in assisting with our Groups finances over many years. Carried

The Secretary has subsequently written to both Dave and Jeff

- Signatories for cheques - No amendments required.

- AOB

In light of his cessation as Editor of our Journal and as a mark of thanks it was proposed by Rob Hutchinson and seconded by Ian Pritchard that Mike Jupp be awarded Group Life Membership. Carried
For Group Life Membership the group pay the subs for the member. We have reverted to calling GLMs as the term 'Distinguished Life Member' is used nationally and is awarded by the NEC.

Addition to the West Group Constitution (Insert in Para 2, number 2.9)

In the event that VTTA West Group ceases to continue.

After payment of all outstanding Invoices, expenses, Levy's etc. any remaining funds will be split 3 ways and given to charities. The charities will be selected at a Special General Meeting (SGM) or in the event of an SGM not being possible for whatever reasons then The Secretary, Chairman and President may decide as to which charities. Proposed Gordon Scott Seconded Ian Pritchard

This item was withdrawn as it is covered in the VTTA rules under section 2.8

A potential new Editor was then introduced to the meeting, Mr Paul Freegard (Chippenham and District Wheelers) Paul had tentatively offered to take on the role and introduced himself to the meeting where his offer was duly accepted.

The Chairman thanked those in attendance and the meeting closed at 1200

Signed as a true record

Chairman

Secretary

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