

CSH – RIDE LEADER (RL) MEETING – WED 12 March 2025
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Agenda:

Attendees: MG, RL, SW, RC, LV

Apologies currently received from: MW, JS, CA, DB, MB, Dr DT,

Welcome and thank you for attending this evening.

1. Discuss RL observation form. R Lambert
2. Stats for RL's. MW (1st Jan 2024 to 15th Dec 2024 324 rides posted, 52 rides cancelled, 272 rides run
3. RL input to the newsletter. CA
4. CSH Route library for MTB? CA
5. Reminder to ask permission prior to taking photo's
6. 1A rides feedback SW (5 Guests. 3 have now joined)
7. First Aid course. RC
8. WhatsApp Groups RC

Actions from meeting:

1. Multi ride.

July. Suggestion was for the start and finish from the NSSC
Would Jamie be prepared to run this event? Mike G to ask.

3. Survey to members.

General consensus was this should not be actioned as there was concern, the response would not benefit future rides or the direction of the club.

4. RL assessment.

Ride leader guidance is on the RL section of the website. The assessment form will be reviewed after it has been used in earnest with potential new RL's.

5. Guest form

Could it be moved to the top of the Membership page. CA

6. Do RL have to take a minimum number of rides to be covered by Cycle UK? See detailed response below from Gill.

7. Ride GPS

Ask Jamie S if he has MTB rides to share and Clive to advise if we can convert Strava rides. CA/Sarah to ask Jamie

8. CSH Jerseys readily available to all riders. All RL's

9. WhatsApp group communications essential and new riders added as quickly as possible but content to be kept to a minimum. All RL's

10. Denis B to propose to AGM a yearly First Aid course is booked with 12 places to be offered firstly to RL's and any places not taken to be offered to members. All RL's to be encouraged to take up the offer.

11. Newsletter. It was discussed and thought as it was such a well written and informative document, it should be shared with a much wider audience. We propose The Seaford Scene monthly in place of the quarterly newsletter with articles submitted to CA with a photo and edited if necessary then sent to Seaford Scene. CA

Detailed response from Gill regarding question 6

In a nut shell .. no.

There are certain rules for Cycling UK Groups but we are only an 'affiliate group' and therefore not directly under Cycling UK's rule but are dictated by that of their group insurance policy that provides "Organisers' Liability Insurance". This policy does not stipulate that a RL has to lead a minimum number of rides per year. Our '*1-ride-a-year-to-remain-active*' rule came about through CSH's own discussion (before my time) and was written into the RL Guidance which all RL's should strive to adhere to. (I have discussed this topic with Den as personally think it should be at least 5 rides a year but Den is of the opinion RL's as volunteers mustn't be pressured into leading rides.)

Anyone 'helping' within the club can become a CSH Official (eg RL's, committee members, Dr Bike Team, etc) who technically must be proposed and seconded by the affiliate group before registering with Cycling UK. This is why I recently requested that you recorded in the minutes that I had organised the addition of the Dr Bike Team to our list of 'Officials'.

As a side note - what is absolutely imperative for RL's as laid down by our public liability insurance is that they must take non-member details BEFORE a ride. I have made a Google Guest Form that some RL's still appear to be unaware of. This stipulation is so important I recently discussed with Roger L and we have written it into the new Google RL Observation Form to embed this practice.

Also discussed is if the ride stats can be translated into a cumulative graph to show trends? In that connection who is it that prepares the stats for the AGM?

Mike Winsor collects the data for ride stats but is not IT literate so I made the AGM ride stats graphs last year and used a horizontal bar chart comparing with the year previous (pic attached). It was slightly confusing as we had switched the AGM from February to May so there was an additional 3 months to be presented (eg 1 year was 12 months, the next year was 15 months). This year will be May to May so back to 12 months here on in.

Next meeting: Mon 7 July 7.00