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Sandymount Dodder Wheelers Committee Meeting Minutes 31 January 2023

By Zoom. In attendance: Ger Cahillane (President), Thomas Davy (Chair), Christine Mulcahy (Treasurer), Peter McCabe (Welfare and Safety Officer), John Desmond (Secretary), Sarah Caulfield (Assistant Secretary).

Agenda

1. Minutes and Actions from 23 November meeting

All matters actioned Minutes approved

2. Safety

LEADER COURSE - organised with Aidan Hammond for 26 Feb at Scoil Mhuire, Gilford Road for 9am. Should be able to cater for 12-15 to include 6 committee members plus as many as possible from names below.

Committee to reach out to other possible leaders as follows

CYCLE:	POTENTIAL LEADER	COMMITTEE MEMBER CONTACT
WEDS.	Kevin Byrne, Owen O'Meara.	TD
SAT:	Ciaran Burke	JD
GREEN:	Liam Halpin, Nicola Kearney	JD
BLUE:	Pat Farrell, Paul Dalton,	SC
	Linda Walsh, Dermot Mulligan	CM
RED:	Sean Reilly, Joe Walsh, Dominic Rumbles,	GC
	Frank O'Donnell, Fergal Coffey	PMC

SAFETY COURSE

Organised for 4 February.

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION/ SAFETY TRAINING

Committee discussed importance of new member induction course with PMC. Agreed that we should confirm with all joiners that this must be attended at earliest possible opportunity. Discussion as to whether this would substitute for the Aidan Hammond Safety training day. Agreed that Joiners must do the PMC induction and should be asked to try attend Aidan Hammond Safety day when possible.

3. Finance

CM reported Bank balance is 9,155 Euro. Includes Mallorca deposits of 3,287. Stock value of 884

Noting that AIB cannot give online access to more than one person Committee approved that this should be done for CM as Treasurer.

4. Marketing & PR

Committee previously agreed that as a club we need to be more active on social media as a means of creating awareness for both existing and possible new members.

TD reached out to Whatsapp group but not a lot of response to date.

Committee to all consider and discuss again at next meeting.

SC gave some context on Declan Gray and that he is happy to help but we would need to agree budget.

We agreed we would design some general media with him and also work backwards from a branded event for June BBQ.

5. Membership and Spins

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership numbers 130. TD sent details of all members who had renewed and the 2022 members who had decided not to renew plus those who were still considering renewal.

Agreed to send reminder to those 2022 members that final cut-off date is 7 Feb.

Committee agreed that it is very heartening to see big increase in numbers for all spins over the past couple of weeks.

COUCH TO 50K

The Committee discussed the 'Couch to 50k initiative'.

Agreed that this should start on 25 Feb to run for 6 weeks. PMC has done a lot of research and circulated a good template for attendees.

PMC has the initial design for a poster.

Insurance for possible attendees discussed in light of current rule that non-members are restricted to 3 guest spins.

PMC to check with Insurers and also with Bray Wheelers to see how this could be managed before publicising.

VIRTUAL SPINS

Virtual spins happening on Thursdays, organised by CM and getting good numbers.

SC raised a recent issue where with Spins filling up quickly some people are putting their names down for spins and then pulling out very late, leaving very little time for another member to change their plans and put their name down. It was acknowledged that there are always circumstances where members have to pull out but that a short reminder to the members to be mindful of this point when putting their names down for a spin.

Committee agreed that a short note would be put on the Whatsapp group but we would wait a couple of weeks as there is so much else going on at present.

6. 2023 Abroad Event

SC suggested that an update note from PMC to attendees would be useful. Noted that not everyone flying in and out at same time so it would be useful information for organising Transfers to have everyone's exact details. Committee also agreed that an update note would be good for people to understand a bit more detail on what is happening on the various days; it looks like we should get in some cycling on the last day etc.

PMC to circulate an update note.

7. CLUB ADMIN

SC suggested that there is a very heavy Admin burden on TD with organising leaders for each route each week and queried could we bring in some automatic rotation system to ease that burden and try to ensure a more even distribution of the responsibility to lead cycles. Some discussion around this but no real conclusion as TD tends to keep a record of who has lead and has go to people and other leader names that he can rely on to cover the various cycles.

TD agreed to document in a short note procedures carried out by him regarding new members initiation and explain to all Committee members with a view to us agreeing a rota for this work to be carried out.

PMC circulated details of the Club gmail account.

Committee agreed that it would be useful to have a central shared storage area accessible to all Committee members and which could be used as a repository for various files needed by the Committee.

Drop box was mentioned but ruled out on cost ground.

CM and JD to check out possible storage solutions and revert.

8. AOB

Next meeting: Tuesday, 22 March 2023 at 8pm in O'Reillys.