

OUCC Annual General Meeting

23rd May 2007

6.00pm Platnauer Room, Brasenose College

People: Bob Barnes (BB), David McGaw (DM), Will Meers (WM), Amber Tomas (AT), Tom Donaldson (TD), Rachel Hughes (RH), Lucy Power (LP), Kate Harris (KH), James Schofield (JSc), Ant Brown (AB), Alex Graham (AG), Siobhan Moyes (SM), James Stout (JSt), Marcie Reinhart (MR), Dean Robson (DR)

1 Officer's reports

President's Report

OUCC has complied with paragraph 2 of the constitution. OUCC has been run in accordance with regulations for University clubs

- Abided by the decisions of the Blues Committees
- Continued it's registration with BC and CTT
- Observed and had approved a Code of Conduct on safety matters

Safety:

- There were no major incidents this year and I hope this good safety record is continued next year.
 - Worth reminding members to be continually observant while out on rides and for new members to ask for advise on riding in groups whilst older members should freely give such advice.

Freshers' events:

- Large number of visitors to our stand at the Freshers Fair
- Huge number of riders on the Fresher's Ride

Membership figures:

- Have increased from 100 last year to approx 150 this year, which is fantastic.

Rides:

- Good range of rides throughout first two terms, including two rides every Saturday.
- A club forum could help improve this further, especially in TT.
- OUCC riders have also continued to join OCRC Club Rides
- The chaingang continues to be popular.
- Thanks to those who manned the freshers' fair stall and those willing to lead the development rides.

Touring weekend:

- We had an extremely successful touring weekend in November organized by Marcie.
- Over 20 members spent two days in the Isle of Wight in near perfect weather conditions.
- Two road rides and one MTB ride was offered on each day which worked out extremely well.

Races:

- Members of club continue to be active racing most weekends from March to October.
- Here are the BUSA results. They make for very impressive reading:
- Club Hill Climb, winners:
 - David McGaw
 - Amber Tomas
- BUSA Hill Climb
 - David McGaw (BUSA Silver)
 - Amber and Rachel (Team Silver)
- Cuppers
 - Dean Robson won
 - Xavier Disley and Ali Cigari taking the team honours for Univ
- MTB Varsity
 - Oxford Women thrashed the Tabs* with Marcie taking a superb BUSA bronze medal.
 - * pending investigation by an arbitrator. But yes, we did win.
- BUSA TTT
 - Robson, McGaw, Disley (BUSA Bronze)
 - King, Hughes, Reinhart (BUSA Gold)
- BUSA 10 mile TT
 - McGaw (Silver)
 - Robson (Bronze)
 - McGaw, Robson, Disley (Gold)
 - Hughes (Gold)
 - Hughes, King (Gold)
- BUSA 25 mile TT
 - Robson (Silver)
 - McGaw (Bronze)
 - McGaw, Robson, Disley (Gold)
 - Hughes (Gold)
 - King (Silver)
 - Hughes, King (Gold)
- BUSA RR
 - 24th June, hopefully have a few teams competing.
- Varsity

- Cambridge were comprehensively thrashed. The men (McGaw, Robson, Disley) winning by 8 minutes and the women (Hughes, King, Harris) by over 20 minutes!

Blues:

- Full Blues: David McGaw, Dean Robson, Rachel Hughes and Katie King.
- Half blues: Kate Harris, Marcie Reinhart and Xavier Disley.

Open events:

- We have organised 3 open events this year which is a damn good effort considering the only other student bike club to organise anything is Cambridge, and we all know how bad that was... They were as follows:
- BUSA TTT Champs:
 - Coordinated with Ralph Dadswell. He was very happy with our help and input and is happy to run the champs again with us next year.
 - 4 men's teams and 2 women's teams rode for Oxford – a really good turn out.
 - Thanks to all the people who turned out to marshal it.
- BUSA 10 mile TT:
 - Our contribution to the Open Time Trial calendar attracted a huge field this year.
 - Open event had to be scrapped, with 40 riders having their entries returned
 - I had a full field of students (120) plus 9 reserve.
 - Next year, it might be worth considering listing the BUSA champs and the Open as separate events so that nobody's entries need be returned.
 - Once again Mick and Marion Fountain did a fantastic timekeeping job.
 - Thank you so much to all the helpers – you all did an invaluable job and helped make the day the success it was.
- Dave Ryan Memorial RR 1st July:
 - In memory of old OUCC rider Dave Ryan. We will need a lot of help with marshals for this.

Socials

- Taken place every couple of weeks throughout term organised by James Stout.
- Not always well attended. Next year it might be worth getting the emails out earlier and making the details much clearer.
- The crowning glory of the social calendar was the Christmas Dinner. Sports Fed Dinner was also a great occasion.
 - Sports Fed Club of the Year
 - Rachel was runner up in sportswoman of the year
 - Danny was runner up in sportsman of the year
- There's talk of a 'sausage social' coming up.
- Would like to hand out the Blues Certificates at the last social of term. That's if they arrive on time...

Website

- The website is in drastic need of an overhaul.
 - It's hard to navigate but on the other hand has a lot of great information on it.
 - The club has enough money and I don't think it'd be out of the question to get something professionally done – maybe in exchange for the designers name on our jersey?
 - I would very much like to keep all the information on there at present, but make the layout far clearer.
 - It's something that needs to be seriously considered for next year. I would be happy to help out over the summer sorting things out.
 - We have talked about it in a committee meeting and have several avenues which need to be explored further.

Sports Outreach Scheme

- Due to the OCW now getting a lot of their bike sorting done at a prison there wasn't much scope for helping out there.
- Nevertheless, we had a small uptake on it this year with David McGaw and Rolando Ochoa helping out.
- I've also helped set up a bike ride for the Oxford Association of the Blind to help raise money for their 130th anniversary.
- I've mapped the route and the ride should take place in September.
 - OUCC will need to supply a few helpers on the day but most of the legwork has been done.
 - The route meanders down to my favorite café at Benson before going back to Oxford.

Treasurers report

OUCC accounts for 2006-2007

Description	In	Out	Total
Outreach work	£510.00		£510.00
Sports Fed Grant 2006/2007	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
KPMG Sponsorship	£2,000.00		£2,000.00
OUCC membership	£1,880.00		£1,880.00
OUCC/Tri membership	£1,015.00		£1,015.00
British Cycling Fed membership		£285.00	-£285.00
OCW sponsorship/membership		£100.00	-£100.00
CTT affiliation		£80.00	-£80.00
Fresher's fair		£123.01	-£123.01
Nalini kit payments	£3,338.04	£6,327.99	-£2,989.95
High5/DB payment	£938.27	£1,252.14	-£313.87
Touring weekend	£908.00	£1,264.24	-£356.24
Christmas meal	£425.00	£761.65	-£336.65
CTT handbook	£66.00	£55.00	£11.00
Club website		£50.70	-£50.70
internet service payment		£63.38	-£63.38
woman's blues committee		£10.00	-£10.00
Racing			
Track day deposit	£195.00	£391.51	-£196.51
BUSA Hill climb	£30.65	£162.11	-£131.46
BUSA 10	£794.54	£786.88	£7.66
Beginners' road race		£271.73	-£271.73
Bike Hire	£15.00		£15.00
BUSA TTT van hire and petrol		£59.02	-£59.02
CTT time trial registration fee		£30.50	-£30.50
MTB varsity		£176.57	-£176.57
engraving trophies		£55.40	-£55.40
Kit Upkeep			
Club bike repairs		£85.05	-£85.05
Others (social, membership cards, minibus training, 1st Aid training etc)		£60.60	-£60.60
	£13,115.50	£12,452.48	£663.02
Starting balance	£2,628.85		
Current balance	£3,291.87		
Outstanding	£1,295.99		
Estimated end balance	£4,587.86		
Women's Fund	£370.00		

Above is a summary of the club's finances for this year, it's not complete, for example it doesn't include the cost of several pairs of aero bars that the club has purchased. The club has made a profit again this year.

Road Secretaries report

In addition to the 2 open events we have organised or co-organised (BUSA 10 & BUSA TTT) and the BCF road race we are organising jointly with the OCRC, we also organised several club events: the club hill climb, cuppers and Town V Gown (co-organised with the OCRC).

Every weekend during the first two terms we organised two led rides on the Saturday morning. There were also rides on Sunday organised by the OCRC. During this term most people have been racing but there is still the chaingang on Tuesday evenings as well as evening TT's held every week which are organised by other Oxford cycling clubs.

At the beginning of the year we organised a Track Day, going to the velodrome in Newport to learn how to ride the wooden track, 12 people came on the trip and there was interest in repeating it. Also in March we organised a trip to a beginners road race at MOD Chertsey, 16 people went along to get a taste of road racing.

We are also organising the racing league this year where people get points for doing races and getting good results, prizes will be given out at the end of term for the highest point scorers.

Also new for this year is the racing fund which is a pot of £500 that will be used to reimburse OUCC riders entry fees to road also mountain bike races, this is to try and encourage participation in these types of events.

Mountain Biking Secretarys report

Congratulations to the women mountain bikers for winning the MTB varsity. Had an increased attendance on mountain bike rides (6 people on average).

2 Amendment to Constitution:

Add the following to section 2. The updated constitution may be seen on the OUCC website.

(f) The Club may apply to Oxford University Computing Services ('OUCS') to use information technology ('IT') facilities in the name of the Club. Where relevant facilities are allocated by OUCS it is the responsibility of the Club:

(i) to designate a member of the Club entitled to a University e-mail account (as defined by OUCS rules) to act as its IT Officer, whose duties shall include liaising with OUCS about the use of facilities allocated and passing on to his or her successor in office all records relating to the use of the facilities allocated;

(ii) to designate one of its members (who may be, but need not necessarily be, the same as its IT Officer) or, exceptionally, a member of Congregation to act as its principal Webmaster, whose duties shall include maintaining an awareness of the University Guidelines for Web Information Providers and co-ordinating and regulating access to the web facilities use by the Club;

(iii) to comply with regulations and guidelines relating to the use of IT facilities published from time to time by OUCS;

(iv) to ensure that everyone responsible under (i)-(iii) is competent to deal with the requirements, where necessary undertaking training under the guidance of OUCS.

LP – would there be a problem with the fact that the OUCC website is external (i.e. does not have a “.ox.ac.uk” address)?

WM – will have to check

WM – It’s just saying that we must have a website and some of the things that have to be on the site.

Motion passed unanimously

3 Sponsorship

WM – We have KPMG sponsorship for one more year. We need to promote the OCW more as no-one knows about the privileges that we get for free.

4 Election of new committee

Senior Member: Dr Robert Frazier, Christchurch

- Bob agrees to be Senior member

President: Ant Brown

- AB – does not have much cycling experience, but has lots of enthusiasm. Will try to be as good as the last president

- AB unanimously voted president

Racing Sec/ Mens Capt: Dean Robson

- DR – Has gained a lot from the club and would like to give something back

- DR unanimously voted racing sec/mens captain

Treasurer: James Schofield

- JSc - Currently president of tri club, want to be involved in OUCC

- JSc unanimously voted treasurer

Womens Captain: Kate Harris
- KH – has little experience but lots of enthusiasm
- KH unanimously voted womens captain

MTB Captain: Tom Donaldson/Lawrence Walton
- TD – I like doing it and want to keep on doing it
- TD/LW unanimously voted MTB captain

Social Sec: James Stout
- JSt voted social secretary (13 for, 1 against)
- LP will vet James' emails

Touring Sec: Amber Tomas
- AT – I'll do it, but can't guarantee good weather
- AT unanimously voted touring secretary

Webmaster/Alumni Sec: Lucy Power
- LP – thrilled to be nominated and is looking forward to being a student
- LP unanimously voted webmaster/alumni sec

The new committee is as follows:

Senior Member:	Dr Robert Frazier, Christchurch
President:	Ant Brown
Racing Sec/ Mens Capt:	Dean Robson
Treasurer:	James Schofield
Womens Captain:	Kate Harris
MTB Captain:	Tom Donaldson/Lawrence Walton
Social Sec:	James Stout
Touring Sec:	Amber Tomas
Webmaster/Alumni Sec:	Lucy Power

5 Any other business

Kit

SM – The cost of the free KPMG jerseys was £1700, £15.30 for each jersey. Would recommend keeping this as it increased the number of members in the club by 50. We have 40 pairs of socks left at £10.

SM – can have a cut off for people to pick up kit, perhaps by the end of July otherwise kept by the club. There are lots of free jerseys that haven't been collected yet.

SM – could change kit suppliers, Nalini is still the cheapest for jerseys, by about £10. However had to mail them on a daily basis to get them to deliver it.

WM – could order stock of kit over summer

SM – there are minimum numbers that you have to order. SM – can help treasurer with kit order next year. Last year the main problem was due to the change of kit design.

Touring weekend

RH- we should make it clearer that it's not actually a "touring" ride, i.e. that it will be a fast ride and that people don't need to take panniers.

Club colours

RH – proposes that SM and WM are given club colours for all their hard work and dedication on the committee this year.

Womens Blues

AT – Want to confirm if Marcie will be given a full blue

WM – Womens MTB needs to be a half-blue sport for 3 years before being made a discretionary full blue. This will happen next year so it can be proposed it to the womens blue committee then.

DM – what about an extraordinary full-blue

WM – could do that

AT – will look into it

MTB trip

DR – Would anyone be interested in doing a MTB trip for a few days in winter? Have a friend who knows lots of trails in Insbrook

MR – in winter it's cold, muddy and will wreck brake pads, but is good fun.

DM – could arrange a trip anytime, funded partially by the OUCC? Can also rent MTB's, so you don't have to have one or transport it.

Professional web-site re-design

WM – current website is difficult to navigate and update. Would be good to redesign it to simplify it and gather together all the information. Could maybe be done by Matt (SM's b/f).

KK – there is a lot of hierarchy at the moment making it difficult to update

WM – also some of the things are up to 4 years old, could be archived

LP – could put all the stuff in a blog, making it really easy to update. LP does this for a living

WM – could be simplified with a news page that can be updated frequently

SM – I've had problems trying to find a link to the membership application form

AG – can let people update documents, without having to go through webmaster all the time

HED sponsorship

WM – has heard nothing about it since their initial interest

Money

AG – the club always makes money, should try in future to spend money.

SM – having spare cash is useful for doing the kit/high5 orders. Have tried to spend more money this year on aero helmets, tri bars and the racing fund

DM – can we think of new ways that we could spend the money?

KK – pay people to marshal?

RH/WM – good idea, free transport and haribo is not enough

BUSA open event organised by OUCC

WM – had full BUSA field so had to drop open event, perhaps next year we could have the BUSA and open events separately, having them as separate events will mean we can have 240 riders instead of 120.

LP – as next year it will be a 25, people will be marshalling/time keeping until 8pm.

WM – good point

WM – online entry worked really well – people email their application and pay using paypal, would be good to do it again next year.

Handover

WM – suggest that both the new and old president's/treasurer's do the handover packs together, it will help the incoming treasurer/president