

# Nottingham Clarion Cycling Club: Rules of the Club 2019

## **Organisation and General Rules**

- 1. The name of the Club is Nottingham Clarion Cycling Club.
- 2. The colours of the Club are Red, White and Black.
- 3. Nottingham Clarion has adopted British Cycling's Code of Conduct and Equity Policy. Each new membership applicant must complete an official application form.
- 4. The Club Membership fee may be made up of the National Clarion and Nottingham Clarion subscriptions. Evidence of appropriate insurance for cycling members is required. For the purposes of Club membership fees: a Juvenile is aged under 16, a Junior is aged 16 and over, but on their 18th birthday they become a Senior.
- 5. Subscriptions are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> January of each year. Any person who is in arrears with his/her subscription on 1<sup>st</sup> March will be deemed to be no longer a member of the Club.
- 6. Confirmation of membership of the Club will be issued to each member on payment of a subscription.
- 7. An Annual General Meeting will be held once a year at which a fully paid up member will be allowed one vote. The Officers of the Club will be elected annually at this meeting. At least fourteen days' notice to be given to the membership of this meeting.
- 8. A quorum for any General Meeting will be 25% of the Club voting membership.
- 9. The Club Committee consists of the Officers of the Club, as listed below, with their single voting rights.

President
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer/Membership Secretary
Chairman

In addition there will be committee members leading each of the four Communities – Club Runs, Time trials, CX/Off road and Youth.

- 10. No alteration or addition to these rules will be made except with the consent of the majority of members present at the AGM, or at a meeting specially convened for the purpose. Fourteen days' notice of such a special meeting to be given to the membership, stating the business to be discussed.
- 11. A special general meeting may be called on the signed requisition of at least 25% of the membership, or at the discretion of the Club Committee. Fourteen days' notice of such a meeting should be given to each member, stating the business to be discussed.
- 12. Any member behaving in a manner prejudicial to the good name of the Club or to the interests of fellow members may be expelled by the general meeting. The consent of at least two-thirds of those present shall be necessary for such expulsion.



- 13. The Secretary will conduct all correspondence, and the Treasurer/Membership Secretary will keep a register of all members' names and addresses. The Treasurer will issue an annual report and financial statement.
- 14. The accounts of the Club shall be made up to December 31st in each year, and shall be audited prior to the AGM by two auditors appointed by the Club.
- 15. Committee meetings of the Club will be held at the discretion of the Chairman. Three Officers in addition to the Chairman will form a quorum at such meetings. A timetable for meetings will be published by the Secretary at the start of each calendar year.

# **Rules Concerning Racing**

- 16. Club members are responsible for forwarding on details of individual performances to the Secretary to be included in the periodic update of Club Records.
- 17. The Club shall recognise records on the following conditions: (a). Rider(s) is/are paid up members at the time of the event and shall be entered under the name of the Club. (b). Appropriate result sheet to be forwarded to the Secretary. (c). Club/open events to qualify. (d). Club to present appropriate plaque or award to member(s). (e). Claims for the establishment of new records (i.e. veterans, tandem, one hour, medium gear etc.) will be considered by the Secretary given the same conditions as listed above.
- 18. No entry fee shall be accepted from any member who has left unpaid any previous fee.
- 19. "Club Champion" title shall be awarded at the following distances:
  - 10miles, 25 miles, 50 miles and 100 miles for men and women
  - 10miles and 25 miles for juniors for men and women
  - 10miles for juvenile riders for boys and girls
- 20. The title of "Hill Climb Champion" will be awarded to the fastest rider in a specified event for both men and women.
- 21. The title "Senior Track Champion" will be awarded to the rider who obtains the most points in the National Clarion Track Championship for both men and women.
- 22. The title of "Junior Track Champion" will be awarded to the junior/juvenile rider who obtains the most points in the National Clarion Track Championship for both boys and girls.
- 23. The title of "Road Race Champion", "Junior Road Race Champion" and "Veteran Road Race Champion" will be awarded to riders in a nominated event(s) unless otherwise agreed by the committee.
- 24. The title "Best All-Rounder" will be awarded to the rider achieving the best average speed at 10, 25, 50 and 100 miles; Club and open events to count for both men and women in respective categories unless otherwise agreed by the committee.
- 25. The title "Junior Best All-Rounder" will be awarded to the junior rider achieving the best average speed over two 10-mile events and one 25-mile event; Club and open events to count for both men and women in respective categories unless otherwise agreed by the committee.
- 26. The title of "Veterans Best All-Rounder" will be awarded to the rider aged 40 or over, who achieves the biggest plus mph (or least minus) when compared to his/her standard times at



25/50/100 miles calculated in mph, and the average taken of the resultant speeds. The standard times shall be the appropriate standards as set out by the VTTA handbook. Club and open events will count.

- 27. The Chan Lester Trophy to be presented to the fastest Club rider on handicap, in the ANDCC Lighthouse Trophy 25 mile time trial, which is also the Club 25 mile championship.
- 28. The Simon Cooper Trophy will be presented to the fastest Veteran Rider on handicap over the 10 mile time trial course.
- 29. Trophies remain the property of the donors or their relatives, and will be returned in the event of the Club being wound up.
- 30. All handicapping will be done from fixed scratch marks as follows: 10 miles 21 minutes 25 miles 55 minutes 30 miles 70 minutes 50 miles 1 hour 55 minutes 100 miles 4 hours Only personal best times during current and past three seasons at distance entered for to be considered. In the event of having no performance at the distance, the next shorter distance to count at the same mph. In the event of having no performance at the shorter distance, no handicap will be given.
- 31. Entry fees and prize funding to be reviewed annually and shall be inclusive of CTTC levy. Points awarded for Club events for first five riders, Fastest and Handicap -6, 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1 point for finishing. The award is the Colwick Memorial Shield. Medium gear series will be decided on the best three times aggregate, scratch only.
- 32. Travelling Allowance. Claims for travelling expenses for Club members competing in National Championship events should be submitted to the committee who are empowered to decide upon the efforts made by riders to maximise the transport used.

## **Rules for Club Events**

33. All riders must be fully subscribed and insured. Any Junior of Juvenile rider wishing to compete in a Club event must first obtain a properly signed parental consent form and show it to the event officials before being able to start.

## **Rules for Evening Ten Competition**

- 34. (a). The competition will run from the first Thursday on or after April 14th, to the penultimate Thursday in August. (b). Events will start at 7.15p.m. except for early and late season events which may start at 7.00 p.m. with the start time published in advance by the Club. (c). The competition will be based on aggregate riders' five best times, separately for men and women. (d) Entrance fees and prize funding will be determined annually with no limit to the number of events a competitor may take part in. (e). Cups, plaques, or medals for
  - 1st, 2nd and 3rd fastest men and women
  - 1st, 2nd, and 3rd handicap will be awarded, and
  - 1st fastest boy and girl in under 14 and under 16, determined by age on the date of the first event.



(f). Scratch winners will not be entitled to a handicap prize.

# **Championship Events**

35. Nominated events for Club championships will be issued to Club members by the committee on, or before, the 1st April of the current racing season.

# **Cyclocross and Off-Road Riding Competitions**

36. Cups, plaques, or medals for the highest placed man and woman and highest placed Junior or Juvenile (for both male and female riders) will be awarded by the Club based on the final positions in the age group categories in the Notts and Derby Cyclocross League (NDCXL) provided that the rider has been awarded points in 50% of the races set within the NDCXL calendar for each year.

37 The Dirt Trophies will be awarded to the best all-round off-road rider in the Club (man and woman) – as awarded by the committee – considering the promotion of Nottingham Clarion at local and national cyclocross and mountain bike events.

# **Supporting Club Events**

38 Members of the Club are actively encouraged to support the Club in the running of local / area based Time Trial events and events supporting the NDCXL / National Trophy series. When publishing the annual schedule of races / events to be promoted by the Club, the committee will confirm events where Nottingham Clarion Cycling Club is the named club responsible for the organising of the event on the day. At these events, Club members are actively encouraged to support the race day (which may include preparatory works / time ahead of or after the day itself) as opposed to riding the event.

#### **Second Claim Members and Social Members**

39 The Club welcomes riders who are affiliated to other clubs to ride in Club Events or as part of the Club under British Cycling 'second claim' membership – however while claiming "second claim" membership, the rider will not be entitled to qualify for trophies or awards offered by the Club, unless otherwise agreed by the committee at the request of the rider. (b) Social members are welcomed by the Club but shall not take part racing events in the name of the Nottingham Clarion.

# Winding Up

40. (a). The members may vote to wind up the Club if not less than 75% of those present and voting support that proposal at a properly convened General Meeting. (b). The Committee will then be responsible for the orderly winding up of the Club's affairs. (c). After settling all liabilities of the Club, the committee shall dispose of the net assets remaining to one or more of the following: (i). To another Club with similar sports purposes which is a registered charity and/or (ii). To another Club with similar sports purposes which is a registered CASC and/or (iii). To the Club's national governing bodies for use by them in related community sports

# **Community Teams**

41. Wherever possible, Club wide Committee Members will be responsible for appointing a minimum of one supporting role and Community Leaders will be responsible for appointing a



minimum of two supporting roles. The respective Committee Member will publish names, details of their responsibilities and a photo on the website and keep this up to date.

## **Community Plans**

42. Community Leadership Teams will produce annual plans, including expenditure budgets. Once agreed by the committee, the Community Leader can spend up to their agreed budget with the support of a majority of their Community Leadership Teams

# **Financial Approvals**

- 43. Committee members to be able to make payments of up to £100 with agreement of Treasurer or Chair.
- 44. Decisions on amounts greater than £50 require the agreement of at least 3 committee members including at least one of the Treasurer or Chair. This agreement can be by email so does not have to wait for a committee meeting. Decisions of this type to be recorded by the Treasurer and incorporated into the agenda and minutes of the next committee meeting.

# **Addendum from EGM June 2019**

### Rules 16 - 38 Trophies and Events

Trophies and criteria are to be proposed by each Community Leader as part of their annual plan and agreed by the committee. Community Leaders are responsible for maintaining an up to date list of trophies for their community on the website. Remaining trophies will be removed from Club rules.

### Rules 33 - 38 Rules for Club Events

Rules are to be maintained by each Community Leader. Any changes to be proposed as part of their Annual Plan are to agreed by the Committee. Community Leaders are responsible for maintaining an up to date list of rules for events in their community on the website. Remaining rules will be removed from Club rules when Community Leaders have published them on the new website.