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NDCXL Members' General Meeting

Date: 05 January 2026 at 7:30pm

Venue: Zoom

Attendees: Mike C, Gary, Helen, Andy, Tina, Heather, Nick and Christine, John, Tony and Rob

1) Apologies

Caroline, Toby

2) Agree last Minutes

November 2025 - OK'd

3) Event reviews / planning

Planning for Round 6 - 13th December Sinfin - Derby Mercury

Nick/Ben

On the whole very positive and great support from Zepnat both setting up the course the day before and on the day. Gary was great too.

A few car parking issues but were handled.

Cafe were very happy and wanted two events next year

Park warden was happy

Ben swept up the day after

Awards Night

Tina:

Venue: Derby RC

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Date?

7-Feb clashes with Icebreaker so might be a rush to get back

14-Feb half term

21-Feb half term

28-Feb Caroline not available but Neil is - go with this one

07-Mar

Venue: £395

Catering: £6 per head → 120 people == £720

£10 a ticket but does the League cover the admin fee

At the 2025 Awards evening we had 80 adults and 46 children

Tina to contact venue to confirm date of 28-Feb

John to setup on TicketSource (with Vegan and dietary requirements) and add to website once Tina has confirmed

Awards

Due to the number of unclaimed trophies over the last two years, and the financial pressures currently, we will only provide medals not trophies this year. The perpetual trophies will still be engraved and awarded. We will discuss the options for prizes in future seasons at the AGM.

Medals for U9s, U12s, U14, U16: 1st 2nd 3rd

Smaller medals for U9s and U12s 4-10th ***unless we can use the existing medals with stickers***

Junior and above: Perpetual Trophy for 1st only

Use the existing medals for Ever Present

Print a nice looking sticker for the Ever Present and 4-10th

Helen look into label options

4) Matters arising

4.1 Carry over actions

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Date	Action	Owner	Next action date	Status	Notes
May-2025	Alternative Trophies/Medals	Rob	Jan 2026	In progress	https://bespokemedals.com/about-us/ https://www.hellisontrophies.com/ Tina Farr following up with their Matlock contact Alt the Lincoln based company looks good
Sep 2025	Find a venue for the 2026 Awards Night	All	Oct 2025	In progress	Dec-25 Tina/Matlock organising at the Derby RC venue
Oct 2025	Speak to Andy H about rule guidance	Rob	Nov 2025	In progress	
Nov 2025	Mike chasing BC about the missing adult results	Mike Cooke	Dec 2025	Resolved	
Dec-2025	Setup re-usable EmailOcotpus template	Rob	Jan 2026	New	

4.2 Event income

This needs to go to the AGM but warrants a separate discussion point.

Should the organising Club or Team retain some income or should it all go to the League?

Tony: we've raised entry fees and levies and there was an expectation that after the event costs then surplus would go into on the day prize money. But when the finances are more difficult then some events only just break even.

Nick's view was that organising clubs/teams can take 15-25% of the profit at the event organiser's discretion.

Nick Proposal: add something into the Constitution to make this clear but no more than 25% of profits and the organiser may waive that option.

4.3 AGM topics

4.3.1 New voting rights - Nick to propose

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Proposal: voting rights for those who qualified for the League (or their parent/guardian) and Organising Clubs have two votes.

Reason: Now we don't have affiliation, or any rider racing in an event is automatically affiliated, how do we decide who can vote at the AGM?

Should we go back to organising clubs only? Or give organising clubs additional votes (currently they get one extra).

4.3.2 Eligible rounds when low numbers of races - Rob to propose

Proposal: only drop one round if six or fewer races.

Reason: Currently dropping two rounds doesn't reward those attending all rounds.

~~4.3.3 Raise entry prices for 2026/27 - doesn't need to be an AGM item~~

~~Proposal: if we're still not breaking even then we need to raise entry prices again~~

~~Reason: so we can break even and have the League self-sustaining~~

~~The alternative is to find additional sponsors to provide financial support but is that realistic?~~

4.3.4 Trophies, medals, prizes

Proposal: Allow Junior, U23 and Senior teams to be made up of only 2 counting riders (same as the Female category).

Reason: no point having trophies if we don't award them

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5) Team updates

a) Admin

We need to fill Committee positions:

- Chair or Secretary - I can do one but it would help the League to have someone else
- Treasurer
- Awards co-ordinator for 2027

This is assuming Helen D, Christine, Caroline and Nick are happy to continue in their current roles!

List AGM proposal at the Awards and date

b) Logistics

Gritty are interested in providing branded tape but need to know the prices.

Nick to send tape costs and supplier details to Caroline

Thoughts on re-usable numbers: OK as a top up but not worth.

Revisit having our own PA system - worked fine this season with a third party

c) Officials

New Regional B trained up

Phil progressing with Regional training

Gridding for Youth U14/16 is between U16O and U14O but some parents and riders have queried they cannot start with the U16O especially when there are few numbers.

Proposal: less than X riders then start with U16O; X or more then start as they are currently

Andy to contact a parent to propose it at the AGM

d) Results

BC results sorted now

League standings are nearly complete with final prizes to be determined

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e) Communications

Would be interested to know if people find the emails useful.

John needs to investigate Facebook feed and also needs some website downtime - aim for post AGM. Aim to refresh website design in the summer months.

Will go ahead with the photo link from Sinfin.

f) Finance

Looking OK, looks better than previous FY

6) Any other business

Andy: EM funding may be available from BC EM **Rob to speak to Andy cc Christine**

Nick: Prize money logic based on race logic from last season ie the split is based on the number in each category, with the prize money for each place will be the same for Male and Female but a Male category may have prizes for more standings because there were entries. This uses the percentages from the "Relative Prize Ratio Data" sheet in the Organiser's Workbook.

We may have to amend the percentages if we have a long tail with small prize allocations, similarly we should cap the top prizes if the amount becomes too large. Top prize aims to cover the season's entry fees ideally.

Ensure Female prizes are by category even though there was a single Female entry.

For all categories the prizes are only for eligible League standings.

How do we hand out the prizes? Letter with instructions to email the Treasurer with their bank details.

7) Dates of next meetings

Mon 2nd February

Mon 9th March

Mon 23rd March AGM - proposed

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Notes

Time	Age/Category	Duration	Grid Order	Splits (upto)
08:00	Course Walk			
09:30	U9 / U12 Practice	20 mins		
09:50	Gridding U9			
10:00	U9	7 mins	n/a	n/a
10:15	Gridding U12			
10:25	U12	15 mins	n/a	n/a
10:45	Practice	30 mins		
11:15	Gridding U16 / F / U14			
11:25	U16 / F / U14	25 mins	U16 → F → U14	120 seconds
11:55	Practice	20 mins		
12:15	Gridding Female			
12:25	Female	40 mins	n/a	n/a
13:10	Practice	15 mins		
13:25	Gridding V50 / V60+			
13:35	V50 / V60+	40 mins	V50 → V60+	120 seconds
14:20	Practice	15 mins		
14:35	Gridding Snr&Jnr / V40			
14:45	Snr&U23&Jnr / V40	50 mins	Snr+U23+Jnr → V40	120 seconds

2025/26 prices: in advance / on the day

U10/12 £5 / £10

Youth £10 / £15

Juniors £13 / £18

All others £18 / £25

Review all the trophies handed out and agree what we should issue in future

From the AGM the suggestions were to stop handing out trophies for 2nd and 3rd teams for Junior and above but we already do that.

We could drop individual trophies entirely or find cheaper options.

But we could also allow Junior, U23 and Senior teams to be made up of only 2 counting riders (same as the Female category).

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2024/2025 Prizes breakdown:

We went with glass trophies for 24/25 but they were the same price as the wooden trophies from the 23/24 season.

Individual trophies for individuals to keep:

CR22536G x 28 @ £9.50 each → £266.00

CR22536D x 27 @ £6.50 each → £175.50

CR22536B x 41 @ £6 each → £246.00

Individuals 1st to 3rd (if enough counting rounds) received a prize

Team members 1st to 3rd received a trophy up to and including Youth U16

For the older categories the smaller trophies were also used for the adult 1st place team prizes and 2nd and 3rd place teams did not receive anything

Perpetual trophies to be engraved:

13 Trophies Engraved with round base @ £12 each → £156.00

12 Trophies Engraved with flat plates @ £7 each → £84.00

Medals from existing stock - *we still have 200+ left!*

Ever Present Medals Engraved x 55 @ £2 each → £110.00

4th to 10th Medals Engraved x 28 @ £3 each → £84.00

If we want to aim for around £500 then that would be the trophy engraving, the 4th to 10th medals and the ever present medals only.

To keep the trophies as they are then that would be approximately £1,200 to be covered over the season → £150 each round for 8 rounds or £200 each round for 6 rounds

Race day medals for youth was £202

Proposal is to keep:

- Perpetual trophy engraving
- Ever present for all but no engraving
- U9s and U12s
- Youth 1-3 trophies only

ACTION: Rob to follow up on wooden medals

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Venues

For 2026: Shipley may be possibility in future despite the lack of engagement this year;

Terri's farm is also a possibility **but only for an early season event due to the field parking**
NB only 10 minutes further on than Middlehills

Bramcote would be a great venue too - Ask Bramcote Borough Council if they have any parks we can use

Ask Nottingham City if they have other parks we can use

Potential venues:

- Hilton Fields - early season only?
- Longcliffe ????
- Carsington - might be worth trying again
- Drum Hill - Scouts - Chris had tried but was blocked in the end by the site committee
- Flagg - Terri's farm!
- Cromford Meadows?
- Bramcote?
- Grassmore nr jnc 29 - limited parking
- Allestree in Derby
- Alveston (with hardstanding parking)
- Derby Arena (providing no football on)
- Berry Hill
- Donington?
- Unstone?

No longer available or unsuitable:

- Darley Moor
- Prestwold or other - no longer available
- Stanford Rehab Centre - not interested

Thornebridge (nr Bakewell) - parking was an issue but there were more numbers then, now built up

13-Sep	HPP - Nottingham Clarion	13/14/17 Hope Supercross 13/14 Nat Gravel Champs
20-Sep	No Shipley Park as no reply from Council	20th Hope Supercross

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27-Sep	Alfreton Park - Matlock CC	28th Three Peaks
4-Oct		Derby National Trophy 1
11-Oct		
18-Oct		Falkirk National Trophy 2
25-Oct	Broxtowe - UoNCC	26th Matlock HC
1-November		Clanfield National Trophy 3
8-Nov	Markeaton - Derby Mercury	European Champs
15-16-Nov		Sandwell National Trophy 4 IR Youth races?TBC?
Sunday 23-Nov	EM Regional Champs Hosted by Lincs Normanton Hall, Scunthorpe	
29-Nov	HPP - Grity	Masters Worlds on Sunday
6-7-Dec		Bradford National Trophy 5
13-Dec	Sinfin - Ben C	
20-Dec		
27-Dec		
2-3-Jan		Irvine National Trophy 6
10-11-Jan		South Shields National Champs
17-Jan		
24-Jan		

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1t-lxS-4Bw7-hHvfBqXMUWH5oalt7AjiF0UUT_MO2AUA/edit?gid=1426833685#gid=142683368