

Hamsterley Trailblazers – Meeting Minutes



Date	06 th July 2017, 19.00 at The Cross Keys Pub, Hamsterley	
1. Apologies for absence	Dave Holmes, Lindsay Talks, Neil & Kathryn Gander, Dan & Sarah Small, Olly & Emma Graham, Gary & Fiona Ewing, Lorna Bennett	
2. Present	Shaun Rogers, James Dods, Geoff Morson, Alex Talks, Andy Raine, Mike Monaghan, Andy Samanjoul, Laura Turtle, Ian Tate	
3. Minutes of meeting 6 th July 2017 – accepted.		ACTIONS
4. Matters arising from the minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trustees to sign Charitable incorporated organisation = Shaun and Kathryn. • Emma to forward (email) current accounts for minutes. 	
5. Club Clothing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prototypes delivered – well received (thank you Nick and all involved). • Nick/Royal to be asked about sponsorship for coaches clothing (including waterproof and shorts). Request to have different colour for coaches so that they can be identified; such as green in place of yellow. • Require details of available styles and prices (Nick). • James to keep prototypes to pass around for people to look at sizes etc. • James has put together numbers/sizes for an initial order. • Agreed that junior clothing would be passed on at cost. • Agreed that the club would make a small profit from sales of adults. 	<p>Nick – clothing details.</p> <p>James – initial order.</p>
6. Charitable incorporated organisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signatures required. 	Shaun and Kathryn
7. Statement of Accounts, Club Membership & Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma to forward (email) current accounts for minutes. <p>Ingleby Barwick £300 in coming donation.</p> <p>Northumbrian Water £250 in coming donation.</p>	Emma
8. Trail building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-Line Opening – 11am Sat 30th September at top of trail (lay-by below Polty's exit). • Signage required to direct visitors. • Food provided by FC (thank you), Laura to bring from Cafe to site. • Andy S to provide sound system/music. • Geoff to sell clothing etc. From van. • First aid. • FC to clear branches and windblown trees. • FC to look at further signage (arrows suggested at side of trail as Winlatter decent). • Couple of drainage issues to improve (James to advise). 	<p>Laura (FC)</p> <p>Andy (BC)</p> <p>Geoff</p> <p>James</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PLANNED TRAILBUILDING DATES Fri 15th, Northumberland Water (Jack and Andy S. on afternoon) x15 = continue to top dress climb. Sat 16th, Club build = fix K-Line drainage (as members have the experience for this). Wed 20th, Cummins x10 = work on the link at the top of the climb. Thu 21st GSK x30 = complete top dress on climb. When/if completed move to T.W.A.A.T. Sat 21st Oct, mark out TT course. Thu 2nd and Fri 3rd Nov, New College Durham x20, 10am – 3pm – HELP required. Thu 16th and Fri 17th Nov, New College Durham x20, 10am – 3pm – HELP required. • Future maintenance = top side drain and fill in puddles on Grove Link. • News from FC (Laura) – planning to work on and open trail below T.W.A.A.T. Blue route from centre to Odd Sox is progressing; waiting for planning permission for the whole route. 	<p>Laura to confirm whether Darren can help 15th Sep?</p>
<p>9. Coaching</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th October, Andy S is coming to help. • Discussed alternatives for December as Christmas tree sales; alternative session at Hub including BMX track? Agreed keep session in Hamsterley but meet at Wood Craft building (no electricity). • Future opportunity to coach at Hub with help from Andy S. • Require email list to communicate with perants/riders. Andy R. to look using our current sign on sheets to develop a list. • Future consideration is am away ride at Winlatter (link with Cyclewise?). 	<p>Andy (BC) Andy Raine</p>
<p>10. Races</p> <p>K-Line TT 22nd Oct</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEXC 16th July was a success, thank you to those who helped and to Danny Hart for helping hand out awards. • Full course = Polty's, K-Line, forest track, Accelerator and Nitrous. • Short course down Nitrous (short climb and same finish), however it is K-Line TT so can we organise uplift for those doing short course and mock up a finish on fire road? Could FC (Darren) help with use of van to move riders and bikes? • Offer practice then x2 runs with best run counting? • Timing by Carl (Northen Downhill) – is it reliable? Backup method as NEXC – Olly and James. • Thoughts for the day – 10-11 practice, short course 11-12 then run full course after that – see NDH website and copy there schedule. • Number of entries – to be limited? What is the closing date (to allow printing numbers etc.)? - Olly have these been decided? • Advertising – Alex to ask Nick for quality image to get 	<p>FC / Darren</p> <p>Olly</p> <p>James</p> <p>Alex</p>

	<p>posters. Alex to look into boosting (pay) on Facebook. James to enter on Root n Rain. Shaun to share to members via email.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of marshals required (x30?) – ‘Red and yellow flags and marshals at strategic points on course’. Shaun to start a list. Alex to organise help from college students. Suggestions to entice marshals made, agreed to offer Ride Hamsterley T-shirt plus food as thanks. • Radios, Shaun to email Andy Cosgrove to see if we can borrow. • Hi Vis vests – Andy S to provide some, James to wash trailbuilding vests. • First aid via mountain rescue, confirmed? Olly. • Taping of course on Octobers trail building day. • Sponsorship – Nick (Royal) and Cross Keys? • Low numbers of Ride Hamsterley T-shirts, need to order more – Olly. • TT event meeting Wed. 27th September, 17.30 Cross Keys. 	Shaun
11. Monthly club rides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn ride confirmed for 8th October. Lake District. Shaun. • New Year ride. Suggestions welcome for lunch stop. 	
12. BMX TCR Hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at x2 sessions as numbers increase. • Have x2 L2 coaches in the pipeline. • Got funding for new kit. • Plans for track resurfacing. • Child protection officer still to find. 	
13. Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tragic news of Dave Holmes having terminal cancer. Dave is a long standing and consistent supporter of the club especially with trailbuilding, club rides and events and has now made a huge financial contribution to trailbuilding and offered impetus and ideas for our next new trail from Five Lanes End to Polty’s. This has been flagged with Pete Laig. The wish is for a trail similar to ‘Accelerator’. • We need name suggestions for this trail. 	
14. Date and time of next meeting	7.00pm, 2nd November 2017 , Cross Keys.	
15. Meeting closed	21.30	