



North Tyneside Riders Cycling Club

Annual Report FY2016

1. NTR CC Mission Statement and Objectives

Mission Statement

The mission of North Tyneside Riders Cycling Club (NTR) is to promote cycling within the North East of England by providing a safe and inclusive environment for the development of cyclists of all ages and abilities.

Objectives

The objectives of NTR are to:

- a. Provide a wide range of cycling activities covering all ability levels
- b. Provide suitably qualified ride leaders and coaches accredited to British Cycling standards
- c. Provide the support and facilities to allow all riders to develop

2. Finances

At the end of club financial year 2016 (March 31st 2017) NTR had 419 (69 juniors) paid up members. Total income from membership subs and junior sessions for 2016 was £6488.60. Further income for the club came from our sponsors Calibre (primary) contributing a further £1000 to our funds. The sponsorship deal was not renewed with Ringtons (secondary) during 2016. Total income for 2016 - £14806.89 including TT funds.

A copy of the club accounts has been issued to the club members through the NTR CC Facebook group. The accounts for 2015 were not audited as planned. An unaudited copy of the 2016 accounts will be published to the members through NTR CC Facebook page and will be published formally once audited.

Main areas of expenditure for 2016 can be summarised as:

British Cycling 2017 Subs and Coaching Courses	£3291
Website	£470
CTT & N&DCA Fees (inc TT expenditure)	£2442.67
Events Expenditure (exc CTT but inc Socials and Club trips)	£4066.73
Total Expenditure 2016	£12841.43
Balance of funds carried forward to 2017 is	£8452.81.

The club is in a very strong position financially and we are generating more income through weekly subs for junior coaching sessions.

The club account with Santander is working well. Hannah Baker will be added as a signatory in her position as Treasurer. Signatories for the account at the moment are Rob Bolton and Chris Dixon.

3. Club Website

The club website was completed during 2015 and it has been a massive success since then. New members have continued to be recruited through visiting the site and many have commented on how they chose NTR due to the professional website and ease of use. The money spent on the website has been an investment well made. Maintenance of the website will continue with Fluid Wed Development for the foreseeable future. Response time from our provider has been excellent with all issues resolved the same day they are reported.

4. Junior Membership

The Junior section of NTR has continued to thrive during 2016 and has developed considerably. Numbers have continued to grow with sessions regularly attended by 20-30 children. The groups have been split up into 3 ability levels with individual coaches taking responsibility for each level. Team Wiggins is for under 7 years old or new inexperienced riders, this is headed up by Martin Kitching. Team BMC for over 7s and more experienced riders but who still have some development prior to racing, this is headed up by Chris Dixon and Hugh Roberts. Finally the Team Sky group is our development squad who are being coached in more advanced techniques for racing. Karl Faetz leads this group.

A new role of Juniors Activity Coordinator has been created as part of the Junior Committee. This role will involve planning of activities and arranging off site sessions for juniors and is an integral part of the Juniors team working alongside Welfare and Coaches to give a varied and exciting mix of activities. Dave Massie is keen to take up this role and is an excellent fit given that he has two children who are active members and is a teacher. One of the first tasks will be to arrange the meeting to set up the Junior Committee.

It is proposed that a Junior Committee will be created to help steer the direction in which we take the Junior section. The committee will consist of Head Coach Karl Faetz, Welfare Officers Karen Nelson and Graham Raftery, Chairman Chris Dixon and four Junior Ambassadors (two male and two female). Nominations are being taken for the Junior Ambassador roles from our membership. Voting will take place at the above meeting which is to be arranged.

The club has recently completed all the tasks required to achieve Clubmark status. Thanks to all involved in making this possible.

What is Clubmark

Clubmark is the universally acknowledged cross sport accreditation scheme for community sports Clubs.

It stands for:

- Higher standards of welfare, equity, coaching and management in community sports Clubs
- Making sure the nation's sports Club infrastructure is safer, stronger and more successful

It shows that a Club provides the right environment which ensures the welfare of members and encourages everyone to enjoy sport and stay involved throughout their lives.

An accredited Club is recognised as a safe, rewarding and fulfilling place for participants of all ages as well as helping parents and carers know that they're choosing the right Club for their young people.

The benefits of Clubmark are:

- The development of clear goals and objectives can be communicated to all Club members and the wider community. This highlights the Club's focus and ambition for the future and provides a solid foundation for all Clubs wishing to grow
- The analysis of the current workforce ensures all training is up to date and the Club is operating at its best
- Adopting more organised systems and structures will help the Club run more efficiently and effectively
- Addressing issues such as equity and child protection should increase parents confidence when choosing the correct Club for their child
- Updating policies, training and systems shows confidence and increased productivity. This in turn attracts schools and local authorities that must ensure quality and child friendly systems and procedures
- Clubmark will assist you to have strategies for recruitment of new members
- Some leisure operators and local authorities may give priority and at times discount to Clubmark accredited Clubs
- Clubmark provides recognition for high quality Clubs
- Members can be sure their club is a well-managed Club, striving to offer the best in coaching and sports development
- There are tangible benefits such as access to the Active Kids scheme where Clubs can apply for equipment

5. Women's Section

Carrie Brookes took on the role of Women's Officer in 2015 and we have not looked back since. Our women's membership has continued to grow thanks to her enthusiasm and commitment to the role. We continue to have monthly Women's Coaching sessions put on at our Cobalt base delivered by our coaching team. Carrie has also been instrumental in setting up weekly Women's Race training nights with other clubs, boosting participation in regional racing. This is another huge success for our club and my thanks go to Carrie and the team for this.

6. Coaching

Our team of coaches has been further increased over 2016. This has enabled us to put on more sessions for Juniors and Adults. Since the start of 2016 we have further strengthened our team by putting the following members through training:

Martin Kitching (level 2)

Hugh Roberts (level 2)

Chris Dixon (level 2)

Gary Olive (level 1)

Ian Gallon (level 1)

Carl Brammer (level 1)

Carrie Brookes (level 1)

There will be a further development of the team over the course of 2017 with discipline specific qualifications taken in CX, Road and MTB.

Funding for the training of coaches has been 50% covered by the Tony Blair Sports Foundation. All coaches have been put through First Aid training and all officers of the club will be put through DBS checks and have Safeguarding training over 2017.

7. NTR Race Team

The NTR Race Team was kicked off in 2016 under the guidance of Simon Bussey. Many members participated in TTs, Crits, CX and MTB races with NTR finishing a very creditable 13th in the region despite only racing for a little over half the season. During 2016 Simon stood down from Race Secretary and was replaced by Gary Olive. So far in the 2017 season NTR has been one of the best represented clubs at Prissick. The target for 2017 is for NTR to finish in the top 10 in the region. To support this the club will provide a bigger budget and will restructure how the team is funded moving away from paying for riders' race licenses to subsidising race entry or contributing to travel costs. Gary is targeted with pulling together a Race Committee and then developing a Race Strategy and Budget for approval by the committee. The club will also work further to retain members of the race team as well as providing focused coaching to develop riders' technical skills and race craft.

8. Ride Calendar

The ride calendar is now established and running well. The number of riders now taking part has continued to increase from where we were a year ago. Our range of rides for different abilities and number of active members is unrivalled across the region with NTR organised events taking place 6 out of 7 days per week. Murray McCheyne worked hard to develop this in 2016 but has now stepped aside. A new Club Captain will be voted for tonight with two

Vice Captains also chosen to ensure focus on having a varied selection of rides for members on a weekly basis. Thanks goes to Murray for his contribution in the role.

9. Clothing

David Fox took over from Stephen Drysdale seamlessly over 2015 running the NTR Clothing section. The range of items available through our main supplier Kalas is huge and there is a quality / price level for all our members. We expanded our offering to include some leisure wear (T-shirts and hoodies) through additional suppliers in the area. This has further developed over 2016 to include polo shirts, better quality hoodies, bobble hats, etc. David has stated his wish to pass this over to someone else to run during 2017. Andy Roberts has put himself forward for the role. David has provided a first class service while in post. The committee thanks David on behalf of the members for his contribution in the job.

10. Voting for 2017 Committee

The following committee members have confirmed their candidacy for their current roles for 2017:

Chairman	Chris Dixon
Club Secretary	Chris Dixon
Membership Secretary	Rob Bolton
Treasurer	Hannah Baker
Welfare Officer	Karen Nelson
Welfare Officer	Graham Raftery
Head Coach	Karl Faetz
Women's Officer	Carrie Brookes
Club Captain	vacant
Time Trial / Racing Sec.	Gary Olive
Clothing Secretary	vacant
Social Secretary	Derek Billham

If the above are unopposed then each must be proposed and seconded for another term in the roles.

The following committee positions are to be voted for:

Club Captain Suzanne McCardle and Grant Taylor have applied

Clothing Officer Andy Roberts has applied

Funding and Applications Officer Jonah Morris has applied

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