

Minutes of the SFACC Founding Meeting

At a meeting convened with a view to forming a Cycling Club held at The "Anchor" Inn, Yalding, on Wednesday evening, 22nd March, 1922.

Present:

Miss M. A. Brown

Mr. R Fuller

Miss A. C Lamp

Mr. W. Kimber

Miss D. Rose

Mr. W. A. Watts

Chairman: Mr. R Fuller was appointed Chairman and asked to record the Minutes of the Meeting.

Mr. Fuller reported that, in addition to those present he had sent a notice of invitation to Mr. W. Garland, who though unable to be present at the meeting had notified his approval of the formation of a Club.

He then said that, in view of the dissatisfaction expressed by those members of the West Borough Congregational Cycling Club who called themselves Enthusiasts at the inactive policy of the West Borough Club, and their resolution not to extend membership in order that persons not connected with West Borough Congregational Church could join their Club, he had convened this meeting to discuss the advisability of forming another and more active Cycling Club, the membership of which should not be confined to any particular sect. But he did not wish to run a club in opposition to the West Borough Club, and he therefor proposed that a club be formed whose activities, for the present, be restricted to week-night runs, and that all those present at this meeting, together with Mr. W. Garland, be declared elected members of the club. This proposition was seconded by Mr. Watts and was carried unanimously.

Election of Officers:

The following Officers were elected:-

Captain: Mr. R. Fuller

Vice-Captain: Mr. W. Gatland

Secretary: Mr. W. A. Watts

Rules

The following rules were adopted:-

TITLE.

1. The Club shall be called the "San Fairy Ann" Cycling Club.

HEADQUARTERS.

2. The Anchor, Yalding

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

3. Members shall be elected at a General Meeting of the Club, and such election shall require at least a two thirds majority.

All candidates for election must be introduced by two members, and shall attend a Club Run prior to election. Candidates must be active cyclists and shall attend not fewer than six runs during the first year of membership, failing the fulfilment of which condition their membership shall cease.

SUBSCRIPTION

4. The Annual Subscription shall be 1/= (payable in advance at the Annual General Meeting of the Club). Any member omitting to pay the Subscription within two months of the due date will be liable to be struck off the membership roll.

OFFICERS

5. The following Officers shall be elected annually:- Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

6. The Captain shall preside at all meetings of the Club. He shall lead the Club on the road and shall make a suitable pace. He shall keep a Run Attendance Book and furnish an Annual Report.

The Vice-Captain shall render all possible assistance to the Captain and shall lead in his absence. The Secretary shall make all arrangements, keep a record of all meetings and members, and shall transact the general business of the Club. He shall not be responsible for any costs incurred unless ordered by himself in writing.

COMPLAINTS.

7. All complaints shall be made to the Secretary who shall bring them before the next meeting of the Club, if necessary calling a special meeting to consider them.

COLOURS.

8. The Club Colour shall be purple.

RUNS.

9. Runs shall be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the summer months and on Wednesday during the winter. In the event of an alteration of the programme the Secretary is to inform the members of such alteration not later than Sunday for the following week.

VISITORS.

10. No Visitor shall attend a Club Run except at the invitation of a member, and this privilege shall only be extended to the same Visitor once a month.

MEETINGS.

11. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of January. Ten days notice shall be given by the Secretary who, together with the Notice convening the Meeting, shall send to each member and Agenda paper of the matters to be brought forward.

On receipt of a Requisition signed by six members the Secretary is empowered to call a Special General Meeting, such meeting to be held within twenty-one days of the receipt of such Requisition.

ALTERATION OF RULES

12. No alteration or addition to these Rules shall be made except at a General Meeting of the Club.

Notice of proposed alterations shall be given to the Secretary at least fourteen days before the Meeting.

For the benefit of those who don't know

"San Fairy Ann"

was the British

soldier's version of the French phrase:

"ca ne fait rien" (meaning: it doesn't matter). the

pronunciation of course was

atrocious, but the spirit underlying the statement was based on philosophy.