



## **Minutes of the 29th A.G.M.**

**Saturday 11th November 2017**

**Canal Court Hotel, Newry.**

### **1} President's address.**

President Ciaran McKenna declared the meeting open at 11:00 AM by welcoming the delegates from 48 clubs, commissions and the 4 Provinces with a voting representation of 101. He invited all those in attendance to stand for a minute's silence in acknowledgement of those members and friends who had died since the 2016 A.G.M.

The President commented on the following in his address:

- Thanked all the volunteers
- Cycling now the third largest participation sport in Ireland
- Reviewed his year as President.
- Substantial improvement in our UCI U23 road rankings giving Ireland increased number of riders in the World Championships.
- Substantial change in our HP Strategy in respect of Road and Track.
- Optimistic that there would be a Velodrome in Ireland by 2020 and the reasons for his positivity.
- Medals won in Youth Olympics, European Junior Track Championships, World U23 Track Championships, World U21 Enduro Championships.
- The Grading Review helped to balance the Grades.
- Start had been made to give the commission control over their own finance.
- There was once again a Road Commission established.
- A start had been made to get a Leisure Commission established.
- Acknowledged the financial contribution of Cycling Leinster towards a new staff member Dermot Anglin to work on leisure.
- A new Appointed Board member had been recruited with a lean towards leisure.
- Supporter of the power of commissions to drive the sport at grass roots level reflected in the increase in their budgets.
- A new Appointed Board member had been recruited with professional expertise in Marketing and Communications as he was aware of our failings in this area.
- Safety was an area of concern at Board level and there were proposals on today's agenda to start to address this and also the ongoing work of the Event Support staff was highlighting possible shortcomings in promotions.
- Thanked the Staff and Board highlighting two new Appointed Board members recruited during 2017, Gillian McDarby and Eugene Moriarty who were making positive contributions to the working of the Board and acknowledged the contribution of John Horgan over his 6 years on the Board as he was standing down today.

## **2) Standing Orders.**

These were accepted on the proposal of Peter Field seconded by Dan Curtin.

## **3) To consider the Minutes of the 2016 AGM.**

These were accepted on the proposal of Peter Field seconded by Tomás ó Miadhacháin with no matters arising.

## **4) Financial Statements.**

The Honorary Treasurer Michael Mannix presented the Directors Report and this is contained within the AGM handbook. This was accepted on the proposal of P.J. Nolan seconded by John Breen. The Honorary Treasurer went on to present the Audited Financial Statements for 2016 which are contained within the AGM handbook. These accounts were accepted on the proposal of Gabriel Howard and seconded by Dan Curtin. Finally the Honorary Treasurer presented the Income and Expenditure Account for the 9 months to September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017, also contained within the AGM handbook, and the 2018 Budget Principles.

Tommy McCague asked if there was a current valuation for Kelly Roche in the asserts and it was confirmed that there was a valuation but it was not current. The same speaker indicated that the Audited Accounts as presented were not a true reflection of the financial state of Cycling Ireland as to his knowledge the accounts of the 4 Provincial Federations, which were sub committees of Cycling Ireland, were not included. The Treasurer stated that the Board was aware of this situation which had been discussed and hopefully would be addressed for 2018. The President acknowledged the work of the Treasurer supplemented by the CEO and the Operations Manager, Frank Keenan.

## **5) 2018 Insurance Cover.**

A detailed presentation was made by Jonathan Brown of O'Driscoll O'Neill (ODON) the CI insurance broker detailing the claims history of CI over the last number of years. He highlighted that the cost of CI claims was now exceeding the premium by a substantial amount which was resulting in a very small number of companies prepared to take on CI. As such he had secured one company with the 2018 premium in excess of €100,000 compared with 2017. However this would come at a cost as the member to member cover in respect of training rides would be removed as studies had indicated this was where most of the claims were arising. There then followed a lengthy questions and answers session but most of these revolved around personal claims. A request was made to have Jonathan's power point presentation on the CI site and this was agreed. Gabriel Howard thanked Jonathan for taking the time out on a Saturday to make the presentation.

## **6) Membership fees for 2018**

The Board proposals re the 2018 fees were presented by the Chairman of the Audit and Finance Committee, Eugene Moriarty, by means of a power point presentation to justify a general €10 increase in fees.. This provoked a lengthy discussion but notwithstanding the fees as proposed and as detailed in the AGM handbook were accepted in their entirety. Grade of membership unlisted indicates no change.

- Youth U8, U10 €10 / £9
- Youth U12, U14 €20 / £18
- Limited Competition License €80 / £72
- Family Membership €85 / £77
- Leisure Membership in regions (10% reduction for perpetual 5 year recurring Direct Debit)
- Connacht, Leinster & Munster €50 (*includes €5 provincial levy*)

Ulster €56 / £52 (includes £10 / €11 provincial levy)

- Full Competition License €135 / £122

### **7) To appoint Auditors for 2018.**

The Board after extensive research were recommending the acceptance of OSK who has a history of working with NGBs and their CV is contained within the AGM Handbook. This was seconded by Gabriel Howard and accepted. It was noted that the change had to be made in the interests of good governance. The commitment and professionalism of CI's previous auditors, Grant Thornton, were formally acknowledged.

### **8) Commission Reports.**

- Off Road - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Proposed by P J Nolan and seconded by Valerie Considine and accepted
- Track - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Gabriel Howard requested an update on the progress on the velodrome which was answered by the CEO who indicated that he was still optimistic in respect of 2020. Proposed by Aidan Reid and seconded by Valerie Considine and accepted.
- Road - Contained In the AGM Handbook. Proposed by Neil Teggart seconded by Aaron Wallace and accepted.
- BMX - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Proposed by John Walsh seconded by Ciaran Farrell and accepted
- Women's - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Proposed by Frank Campbell seconded by Stephen O'Shea and accepted.
- Para Cycling - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Gerry Beggs indicated his disappointment of the lack of acknowledgement on the International success of the para cyclists in the President's address. Proposed by Gerry Beggs seconded by Marian Lamb and accepted
- Youth Academy - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Proposed by Alan Heary seconded by Dan Curtin and accepted.
- Anti Doping - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Proposed by Jack Watson seconded by Con McCullagh and accepted.
- Cyclists.ie – Arrived to late to be included in the AGM Handbook but on line on the CI Website.
- Commissaires - Contained in the AGM Handbook. Proposed by Gary McIlroy seconded by John Breen and accepted.

**9) Business Update.** The CEO, Geoff Liffey, gave a very detailed power point presentation to complement the various items within the CEO's Report contained in the AGM Handbook. This was supplemented by a power point presentation by the Operations Manager Frank Keenan on the proposed improvements to the issue of licences for 2018 and the use of the new CI App. The Coach Education and Programmes Manager Rachel Ormrod updated the delegates on the Programmes available within Cycling Ireland in respect of introducing newcomers to cycling and updating the skills of current members. Both these reports and reports from the HP unit, Communications and Events Officer are all included in the AGM Handbook. Points were raised by several delegates from the floor in respect of lack of publicity on TV, radio and newspaper and the lack of support afforded to the club which promoted the National Junior and A3 Road Championships. The CEO apologised for the latter failing and highlighted the problems getting news editors to use the info which was going to them from the Communications Officer.

## 10) To consider the following motions.

### **Motion 1**

Proposed by Executive Cycling Munster

Chapter T4.4 add new section (f)

The winner of the u12/14/16 race at the youth national championships may, for the remainder of that year, wear a national champions jersey in races of that discipline.

From the 1st of Jan, the winner of the u11/13/15 race at the national youth championship in the previous year may wear a national champions jersey in an u12/14/16 race of the same discipline. Rule to be the same for boys and girls but girls dropping down a grade would lose their entitlement to wear the champions jersey.

Moved by Dan Curtin seconded by Maurice McAllister and **carried**.

### **Motion 2**

Proposed by Women's Commission

Chapter T4.1 .2 add red section to existing

In all Youth Races it will be mandatory to offer at a minimum 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes in respect of both youth men and youth women in each age category i.e. U12, U14 and U16. In addition an unplaced U11, U13 and U15 rider's prize may be offered.

Moved by Brendan Whelan seconded by Valerie Considine and **carried**

### **Motion 3**

Proposed by Women's Commission

Chapter T1.4.12 be replaced by section

12. In scratch races Youth riders may only compete with their own age group, save that youth and first year Junior girls may compete in a grade lower than that as shown on their licences, if they elect to do so but will be subject to the gear restrictions of the lower grade.

In races Youth riders may only compete with their own age group, save that first year Junior girls may compete in a grade lower than that as shown on their licences, if they elect to do so but will be subject to the gear restrictions of the lower grade.

Moved by Brendan Whelan seconded by Peter Ward and **carried**.

### **Motion 4**

Proposed by Fintona C C – westtyronevelo.com

Chapter G2.4 remove section in red

Notwithstanding rule G2.1 above a club member may transfer between clubs, provided both clubs are in agreement that such a transfer is acceptable. The application for a change of licence to Cycling Ireland should be accompanied with a letter of agreement from their most recent club, and a letter of acceptance from the proposed new club. **Only one such transfer will be permitted in any calendar year. A rider granted permission to transfer will be ineligible to compete for a period of 14 days from date of transfer.**

**Withdrawn.**

### **Motion 5**

Proposed by Board Cycling Ireland

Chapter T10 add new point 3 to introduction.

3) A rider competing in Irish National Championships in any calendar year may only compete for a maximum of two clubs. Once the rider has competed in any National Championship for his second club he may not revert to competing in further National Championships for his initial or any other club. All riders using the Foreign Licence Login for National Championships must produce their current licence at sign on. Failure to do so will cause their entry to be rejected. Moved by Jack Watson seconded by Gabriel Howard and **carried**.

The President explained that motions 6 and 7 were very similar and as such he would group both together but first of all he called for a show of hands that delegates wished a change of the current regulation, **carried**.

### **Motion 6**

Proposed by Banbridge C C

Chapter G8.9 be replaced by section in red

9. There is no date limit on when the Road Racing season can start.

9. **The Road Racing season can not start before the first Saturday in March.**

Moved by Aaron Wallace seconded by Aidan Higgins and **carried**

### **Motion 7**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter G8.9 be replaced by section in red

9. There is no date limit on when the Road Racing season can start.

9. **The Road Racing season can not start before the last Saturday in February.**

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Barry Monaghan and **lost**

### **Motion 8**

Proposed by Board Cycling Ireland

Chapter G8. 10 add section in red to current regulation

10. In preparing the road racing calendar dates will be reserved in advance of seeking general race applications for the following:

- All National Road Championships;
- National League dates;
- Established race dates, **the protection of such a date is only relative to the Province in which the race is promoted ;**
- All Provincial Road Race Championships, which should take place on the same weekend.

Moved by Jack Watson seconded by Gerry Campbell and **carried**.

### **Motion 9**

Proposed by Saddlerock C C

Chapter G8.11 reword original to new rule as shown in red

Non-open races may only be run on Mondays through to Thursdays. Notwithstanding non-open which are run as a series of races and known as a league may be run at any time subject to

these being promoted for a defined group of riders e.g. Masters, women, time trialists etc . A club promoting an open race may run a non-open race on the day of their open promotion regardless of the day of the week in respect of riders of 50 years old and over and women.

Non open races may be run on Mondays through to Fridays subject to no Open Races being run in the Province on the Friday. Notwithstanding non open races which are run as a series of races and known as a league may be run at any time subject to these being promoted for a defined group of riders e.g. Masters, women, time trialists etc . A club promoting an open race may run a non-open race on the day of their open promotion regardless of the day of the week in respect of riders of 50 years old and over and women.

No delegate in attendance to move the motion.

### **Motion 10**

Proposed by Executive Cycling Ulster

Chapter G8.11 split into 11a and 11b with added sentence shown in red

11. Non open races can only be run on Monday through to Thursday. Notwithstanding non-open races which are run as a series of races and known as a league may be run at anytime subject to these being run for a defined group of riders eg Masters, Women, Time Trialists etc. A club promoting an open race may run a non-open race on the day of their open promotion regardless of the day of the week in respect of 50+ masters and women.

11a. Non - open races can only be run on Monday through to Thursday. Notwithstanding non-open races which are run as a series of races and known as a league may be run at anytime subject to these being run for a defined group of riders eg. Masters, Women, Time Trialists etc

11.b A club promoting an open race may run a non-open race on the day of their open promotion regardless of the day of the week in respect of 50+ masters and women. **Such an event does not have to be part of a league and prizes may be awarded at the club's discretion.**  
Moved by Tommy McCague seconded by Marian Lamb and **lost**.

### **Motion 11**

Proposed by Executive Cycling Ulster

Chapter T10.2 1 added sentence shown in red

1.The regulations regarding the control of Provincial Championships will be established by Provincial Federations but these should not be in conflict with Cycling Ireland's National Championship Regulations. **Except in the area pertaining to numbers required to award medals or promote championships.**

Chapter T10.2.2 following additional paragraphs added.

Minimum numbers for each Provincial Championship event will be decided by each province. There is no requirement to have minimum numbers to award medals.

Provinces may award provincial Championship medals and/or trophies.

Provinces may award a Champion's jersey for a provincial Championship. Winners of such a Provincial Champion's jersey will be permitted to wear it in competition in the discipline and category in which it was won up until the day prior to the following year's championship.

This was amended to include that Provincial Championship Jerseys could only be worn in Province in which they were worn.

Moved by Tommy McCague seconded by Marian Lamb and **carried**

### **Motion 12**

Proposed by Board Cycling Ireland

Chapter D1 .2. 4.1 add section in red

4.1 All complaints will be reviewed in the first instance by an Initial Screening Panel comprising of the CEO and two Board members. The Initial Screening Panel will decide if a complaint warrants the investigation of the complaints/disciplinary process, **and whether it is to be dealt with by the National Federation or a Provincial Federation**, reasons for the rejection of a complaint must be given. Members of an Initial Screening Panel may not sit as members of a Complaints Panel in relation to the same complaint. Moved by Jack Watson seconded by John Breen and **carried**

### **Motion 13**

Proposed by Board Cycling Ireland.

Chapter G1.2 replace original as new rule in red.

A club must have a minimum of 6 members, which shall include a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer before acceptance by Cycling Ireland. Also clubs with young or vulnerable members (as defined by Cycling Ireland's Code of Practice for Young and Vulnerable Cyclists) must appoint a Children's Safeguarding Officer.

Replace with,

**A club wishing to become an Affiliated Club of Cycling Ireland must apply to the Provincial Secretary of the Province in which the club is based. The club must have a minimum of 6 members and must have a named Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Safety Person. Also clubs with young or vulnerable members (as defined by Cycling Ireland's Code of Practice for Young and Vulnerable Cyclists) must appoint a Safeguarding Officer. The Provincial Executive before forwarding the club's request to Cycling Ireland to become an Affiliated Club must ensure that the club satisfies the requirements of Article 6 of Cycling Ireland's Articles of Association.**

Amended to include that CI will look into the requirements of training Safety Persons .

Moved by Carl Fullerton seconded by Jack Watson and **carried**

### **Motion 14**

Proposed by Emyvale Cycling Club

Chapter G1.2 replace original as new rule in red.

A club must have a minimum of 6 members, which shall include a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer before acceptance by Cycling Ireland. Also clubs with young or vulnerable members

(as defined by Cycling Irelands Code of Practice for Young and Vulnerable Cyclists) must appoint a Children’s Safeguarding Officer.

**A club must have a minimum of 20 members**, which shall include a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer before acceptance by Cycling Ireland. Also clubs with young or vulnerable members (as defined by Cycling Irelands Code of Practice for Young and Vulnerable Cyclists) must appoint a Children’s Safeguarding Officer.

**Withdrawn.**

### **Motion 15**

**Proposed by Board Cycling Ireland**

Chapter G8.12 add the following table

Year	National Cyclo Cross Championship
2018	Leinster
2019	Munster
2020	Connacht
2021	Ulster

Moved by John Horgan seconded by Gillian McDarby and **carried**

### **Motion 16**

**Proposed by Off Road Commission Cycling Ireland**

Chapter T10 .1.11

In table specifying number of riders to justify the holding of a National Championship, Senior Championships (Male and Female) be separated to Senior Championships (Male) 12 Entries and **Senior Championships (Female) 6 Entries**.

Moved by Martin Grimley seconded by Jack Watson and **carried**

### **Motion 17**

**Proposed by Board Cycling Ireland**

Chapter G1.15 Replace original as new rule in red

15. An appropriate Event Licence will permit the holder to participate as a rider in Cycling Ireland Events excluding

- Criteriums,
- Stage Races
- All National Championships
- Open Massed Start or Open Handicapped Races between the 1<sup>st</sup> April and the 1<sup>st</sup> August each year.

However for Women’s Beginners Closed Circuit Races and Women’s Training Days, an Event Licence limited to one time per participant may be permitted.

Officials may take out an Event Licence at any time. Such Event Licence fulfils the requirements of rule T1. Such licence grants the holder membership of Cycling Ireland for insurance purposes only, in respect of that event only.

15. An appropriate Event Licence will permit the holder to participate as a rider in Cycling Ireland Events excluding all open Road Races.

However for Women's Beginners Closed Circuit Races and Women's Training Days, an Event Licence limited to one time per participant may be permitted.

Officials may take out an Event Licence referred to as Temporary Membership at any time. Such Temporary Membership fulfils the requirements of rule T1. Such licence grants the holder membership of Cycling Ireland for insurance purposes only, in respect of that event only.

Moved by Michael Mannix seconded by Peter Ward and **carried**

### **Motion 18**

Proposed by College of Commissaires.

Chapter T7.1.14 add section in red

Team (service) vehicles must not exceed 1.66m in height. The driver or person deemed to be responsible for the vehicle during the race must be in possession of a licence issued by a UCI registered National Federation and be accompanied by another competent person. However at the commissaire's discretion, he may permit a vehicle in excess of this height, or a motorcycle acting as team service, to take up position at the rear of the official race cavalcade.

Moved by Gary McIlroy seconded by Jack Watson and **carried**.

### **Motion 19**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T3.2(b) Replace original as new rule in red.

(b) An A3 rider who has amassed 10 points in 2015 or in any following calendar year, this includes the points carried from the previous year, will be upgraded to A2 with zero points.

(b) An A3 rider who has amassed 15 points in 2017 or in any following calendar year, this includes the points carried from the previous year, will be upgraded to A2 with zero points.

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded Gearóid Campbell and **carried**.

### **Motion 20**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T3.2(d) Replace original as new rule in red.

(d) An A4 rider on amassing 15 points, cumulative across years will be upgraded to A3.

(d) An A4 rider on amassing 13 points, cumulative across years will be upgraded to A3.

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded Gearóid Campbell and **carried**.

## **Motion 21**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T3.3(d) Replace original as new rule in red.

(d) An A2 rider with less than 15 points at year end will carry all points earned through to the following year.

An A2 rider with less than 15 points at year end will carry 50% points earned through to the following year. Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by John Breen and **carried**

## **Motion 22**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T3.3(f) Replace original as new rule in red.

(f) An A1 rider may apply to the National Grading Officer for a downgrade to A2 with 7 points if they fail to score 6 points in a full season at A1. Downgrades will be at the discretion of the National Grading Office ([grading@cyclingleireland.ie](mailto:grading@cyclingleireland.ie)) taking account of the rider's known ability. Such requests must be made prior to the 28 th February.

(f) An A1 rider may apply to the National Grading Officer for a downgrade to A2 with 5 points if they fail to score 6 points in a full season at A1. Downgrades will be at the discretion of the National Grading Office ([grading@cyclingleireland.ie](mailto:grading@cyclingleireland.ie)) taking account of the rider's known ability. Such requests must be made prior to the 28 th February.

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Gerry Beggs and **carried**

## **Motion 23**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T3.1 Points Table

Race <20 riders to be **Race 20 or less riders** (in line with T3.1.(e))

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Gearóid Campbell and **carried**

## **Motion 24**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter G8.12 Replace original championship bundles with red bundles

Senior Men (incorporating U23s), Elite Women (incorporating over 40s) M40, M50 and M60 Road Races	Junior Men Junior Women M40, M50 and M60 Time Trials
Para Cycling and Tandem Senior and U23 Men Elite and Over 40 Women Time Trials	Junior Men Junior Women A3 Senior Men Road Races

Senior Men (incorporating U23s), Elite Women (incorporating over 40s) Junior Men Junior Women Road Races Para Cycling and Tandem Senior and U23 Men Elite and Over 40 Women Junior Men Junior Women Time Trials	M40, M50 and M60 A3 Senior Men Road Races  M40, M50 and M60 Time Trials
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Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Gearóid Campbell and **carried**

**Motion 25**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T3.2 (a) Replace original as new rule in red.

(a) New comers to the sport will be granted an A4 licence. Holders of an A4 licence may only compete with other A4 licence holders with the exception of handicap races and the National Masters Road Race Championships. Notwithstanding in events restricted to Juniors, Masters or Women, A4 licence holders may compete with other category riders. Those returning to the sport after an absence will normally be granted an A3 licence, however this may be reviewed following an application to the National Grading Officer

(a) Competitive newcomers to the sport will be granted a Limited Competition licence and may only be granted an A4 licence the year following. Holders of an A4 licence may only compete with other A4 licence holders with the exception of handicap races and the National Masters Road Race Championships. Notwithstanding in events restricted to Juniors, Masters or Women, A4 licence holders may compete with other category riders. Those returning to the sport after an absence will normally be granted an A3 licence, however this may be reviewed following an application to the National Grading Officer.

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Gearóid Campbell and **carried**

**Motion 26**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapter T7.1.20 changes inserted in red

20. The **minimum** / maximum distance for one-day races shall be as follows: -

	<b>Maximum</b>	<b>Minimum</b>
Junior Men	140kms	
Senior Men	200kms	
Junior Women	80kms	
Elite Women	140kms	

**Withdrawn****Motion 27**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland.

Chapter T5.1.11 add section in red

11 (a) .In races open to senior category riders including A4s i.e. handicap races up to 120kms, maximum number of riders permitted to start shall be 140. Where promoters accept in excess of 140 entries than a separate race for A4s must be run. Both races may be on the same course at the same time. However the time gap between the start time for each event must be such that under normal circumstances the two races will not intermingle.

(b) Any event limited to A4 riders may only accept a maximum of 110 riders.

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Maurice McAllister and **carried**

The President explained that motions 28 and 29 were very similar and as such he would group both together but first of all he called for a show of hands that delegates wished a change from the current regulations, **carried**.

**Motion 28**

Proposed by Road Commission Cycling Ireland

Chapters affected T3.3(a); T3. 3(b); T4.2.2; T4.3.6 new proposals in red

T3.3 (a )A junior on reaching senior grade will be categorised as A3 unless they have amassed 30 points or more in their last year as a junior in which case they will be graded as an A2 rider. At the discretion of the National Development Coach a junior who has amassed 50 points or more in their last year as a junior may be graded A1 or a member of a UCI team A+.

T3.3 (a) A youth rider on becoming a junior will be graded as A3. However upon reaching 60 points as a 1<sup>st</sup> year junior he may be upgraded to A2 for the remainder of that season. As a 2<sup>nd</sup> year junior he will commence the season as an A3 on zero points. However on reaching 30 points he may be upgraded to A2 for the rest of that season. Such a junior will continue to ride the junior gearing as defined in Chapter T4 Art 2, be exempt from the junior maximum distance and will be entitled to ride junior only events.

T3.3 (b) No junior will be upgraded beyond A3 without written permission from the National Development Coach. See also T4.A2.2 and T4.A3.6.

T3.3 (b) A 2<sup>nd</sup> year junior on moving to senior will be graded as an A3 on zero points. However any junior who has amassed 50 points or more in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year as a junior may apply to the National Development Coach for grading to a higher grade.

T4.2.2 Youth riders on reaching Junior grade will be graded as A3. Riders of junior age on joining Cycling Ireland for the first time will be graded A4.

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T4.3.6 With written permission of the appropriate National Development Coach, youth and junior development squad riders may be allowed to compete in higher classification events from Good Friday. In the case of an A3 Junior being temporarily upgraded to A2 then the rider will be exempt from the maximum distance limit over which a Junior may compete. This written permission must be presented to the race Commissaire prior to the start of the event if requested. These riders will still be subject to their appropriate gear restriction.

T4.3.6 With written permission of the appropriate National Development Coach, youth development squad riders and junior development squad riders who have not been upgraded under T3.3 (a) may be allowed to compete in higher classification events. This written permission must be presented to the race Commissaire prior to the start of the event if requested. These riders will still be subject to their appropriate gear restriction.

Moved by Gerry Campbell seconded by Gearóid Campbell.

### **Motion 29**

Proposed by Omagh Wheelers

Chapters affected T3.3(a); T3.3(b); T4.2.2; T4.3.6 new proposals in red.

T3.3 (a) A junior on reaching senior grade will be categorised as A3 unless they have amassed 30 points or more in their last year as a junior in which case they will be graded as an A2 rider. At the discretion of the National Development Coach a junior who has amassed 50 points or more in their last year as a junior may be graded A1 or a member of a UCI team A+.

T3.3 (a) A youth rider on becoming a junior will be graded as A3 and as such will be entitled to be awarded points and be upgraded in line with the A3 and A2 criteria. Such a junior will continue to ride the Junior gearing as defined in Chapter T4 Art 2, will be exempt from the maximum junior distance and will be entitled to ride Junior only events.

T3.3 (b) No junior will be upgraded beyond A3 without written permission from the National Development Coach. See also T4.A2.2 and T4.A3.6.

T3.3 (b) A junior rider on receiving an upgrade having obtained the relevant upgrade points, may request a downgrade, but will not be allowed to upgrade again within that calendar year.

T4.2.2. Youth riders on reaching Junior grade will be graded as A3. Riders of junior age on joining Cycling Ireland for the first time will be graded A4

T4.2.2. Riders of junior age on joining Cycling Ireland for the first time will be graded A4. And as such will be entitled to be awarded points and be upgraded in line with the A4, A3 and A2 criteria.

(Note! There is a Road Commission proposal that all competitive members must take a Limited Competition licence for their first year and if accepted would impinge on this)

T4.3.6 With written permission of the appropriate National Development Coach, youth and junior development squad riders may be allowed to compete in higher classification events from

Good Friday. In the case of an A3 Junior being temporarily upgraded to A2 then the rider will be exempt from the maximum distance limit over which a Junior may compete. This written permission must be presented to the race Commissaire prior to the start of the event if requested. These riders will still be subject to their appropriate gear restriction.

**T4.3.6 With written permission of the Junior National Development Coach, youth development squad riders may be allowed to compete in higher classification events This written permission must be presented to the race Commissaire prior to the start of the event if requested. These riders will still be subject to their appropriate gear restriction.**

Moved by Peter Ward seconded by Sean Kelly.

There was a very lengthy discussion allowed by the President on these motions. However when the vote was taken **Motion 28** was **carried**

The following motions do not require changes to the Technical or Administrative Regulations and as such these are deemed to be recommendations for consideration by the Board of Cycling Ireland.

### **Motion 30**

From Executive, Cycling Leinster

To implement a mandatory racing accreditation for all new A4 applicants. This must be completed before a licence is issued.

Moved by Gerry Campbell and **rejected**.

### **Motion 31**

From North Donegal C C

That the officials in charge of “High Performance” compile a list, in ranked order of domestic riders that could be called into play in the event of there being insufficient numbers of other suitable Irish riders to fill the available places in the World Championship Road Race or Time Trial.

**Withdrawn**

### **Motion 32**

From Lakeside Wheelers Mullingar.

That Cycling Ireland abide by the existing General Administrative Regulation G1.5 in respect of all licence holders.

5.Licences will be valid from the date of issue until the 31st December following, save in the case of licences issued in the months of November and December, which will be valid until the 31st December of the following year.

**Withdrawn**

### **Motion 33**

From Banbridge C C

That no Single Day events be “pencilled in” or drafted in the Cycling Ireland calendar for the upcoming season to “assist” race promoters ahead of the event submission window. This practice makes it extremely difficult for progressive scheduling or moving away from the status

quo of a front heavy calendar. The exception to this would be National and Provincial Championship events which are / should be on fixed dates.

**Withdrawn** as this is currently happening.

### **Motion 34**

From Drogheda Wheelers

That colour coded frame / bike numbers be part of the licence package together with the two existing back numbers. If necessary the cost of same to be added to licence fee.

Moved by Andrew Watters and **accepted for a 1 year trial.**

### **Motion 35**

From Off Road Commission Cycling Ireland

We propose the introduction of Cycling Ireland championship jerseys to the winner's of the youth categories in cross-country, downhill and cyclo-cross disciplines. This would be for boys and girls in the Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16 categories. This jersey award would only be given when the minimum number of entries into each of these categories is 6.

Moved by Martin Grimley and **accepted**

### **Motion 36**

From College of Commissaires

That Cycling Ireland review the handling of In Case of Emergency (ICE) contact details at events to satisfy data protection legislation and create more efficient handling of such information.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted.**

### **Motion 37**

From College of Commissaires

That a working group is established by Cycling Ireland consisting of relevant Road Racing Stakeholders to analyse and examine the impact of competitor numbers on cycle road race safety in Ireland. Recommendations should be made on what is classified as maximum safe competitor numbers for various scenarios.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted.**

### **Motion 38**

From College of Commissaires

That one event licences are purchased and administered through the Cycling Ireland website or Smart Phone Application.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted.**

### **Motion 39**

From College of Commissaires

To expand the target audience of the Cycling Ireland Social Media Policy to all federation members. Contravention of the policy to be addressed under Chapter D1-Discipline of the Cycling Ireland Technical and Administrative Regulations  
Moved by Gary McIlroy and **rejected** as it was felt that this was already covered by existing policies.

#### **Motion 40**

From College of Commissaires

That the Board initiate a complete review on fees, analysing the cost of licences relative to the level of risk involved when participating, i.e., a mass participation licence could be one fee irrespective of whether it is Full Competition or Limited Competition.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted**

#### **Motion 41**

From College of Commissaires

That the Medical Commission create an awareness campaign surrounding concussion for Cycling Ireland to publicise across its membership.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted**

#### **Motion 42**

From College of Commissaires

That an Event Management Plan template is created for use by Cycling Ireland event organisers to develop consistency in organization quality as volunteer organisers may change from time to time.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted**

#### **Motion 43**

From College of Commissaires

That the findings of Event Support Officers are publicized for other organisers to learn from their recommendations

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted**

#### **Motion 44**

From College of Commissaires

That Cycling Ireland ensure that all Provincial Championships are promoted on the same day in accordance with G8 – 10.4.

Moved by Gary McIlroy and **accepted** subject to insertion of words “Road Race” after Provincial.

#### **11)To elect a Board Director as Honorary President,**

The following have been nominated:

- Mr Ciaran McKenna has been nominated by Team Bikeworx Cellbridge
- Mr Carl Fullerton has been nominated by Saddle Rock CC

The two nominees were allowed 5 minutes each to make their presentation to the delegates. Following a secret ballot the incumbent Ciaran McKenna was re-elected for a term which was acknowledged by acclaim.

**12) To elect a Board Director without Executive Post.**

The following has been nominated:

Mr Anthony Mitchell has been nominated by the Bike House CC.

**13) To elect a Board Director without executive post.**

The following has been nominated:

Mr Ronan McLaughlin has been nominated by Aqua Blue Sport Academy

In respect of points 12 and 13 as there were two nominees for the two posts, for a term, both were accepted by acclaim.

**14) To confirm two Appointed Directors.**

The following Appointed Director for confirmation are:

Ms. Gillian McDarby

Mr. Eugene Moriarty

The two nominees, for a term, were accepted by acclaim.

**15) Close of the AGM.**

As it was now 17:40 the President declared the close of the AGM and thanked the delegates for their indulgence for what had been an extremely long day .

**14) Clos**

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