



**Minutes of Ride the Peak meeting held on 24th March 2009 at the
Rising Sun Pub 7:30pm**

Attendees:

Mike Innerdale, Sue, Shane, Jeff, James, Martyn Sharp, Simon Bowns
Cy Turner, Tim Glasby, Jon Barton, John Horscroft, Karen, Hilary Bloor

Apologies:

Sue Fisher, Mike Rhodes, Julian Winstanley, Bruce Wilkinson

Item	Discussion Points	Actions
<p>1. Membership</p>	<p>All emails and names were to be submitted so Yahoo Groups could be updated by Mike Simon was elected treasurer and thanked for his services.</p> <p>A meeting with Singletraction was still pending, John H updated everyone on the state of play on Houndkirk Moor, lots of work has been done by himself to raise the profile of motor vehicle damage and various parties including the Police and Natural England do now appear to be listening to mountain bikers and other concerned groups.</p> <p>JH presented his thoughts on expanding the membership, this was discussed and concerns were raised about the administration of such a group, and the lack of clarity of RTP mission. A drive for membership was effectively left on hold until our aims were more clearly defined and expressed. Issues for RTP as put forward at the meeting included provision of Access and Communication for and about MTB in the Peak, specifically a Sheffield Link, up-grading of trails to BW's, maintenance, group rides, use of all or at least more paths (this was considered a national issue), more exciting rides/routes, a trail centre (Chatsworth?), new links, NT and other land owners opening up access to mtb use.</p> <p>A lot of membership and communication issues could be resolved pending the outcome of the Awards for All grant application that has now been submitted.</p>	

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2. Website	<p>The conversation moved onto the role of the website in administrating membership, JB highlighted experience in producing the Trail Cyclists Association Site as a possible template.</p> <p>As discussed previously Cy has volunteered to act as 'administration' for producing the 'new' website.</p>	
3. Challenge Events	<p>Karen discussed the plan for an event in the Peak, with a contribution to RTP in exchange for our support. This was warmly received and we await her efforts on this.</p>	<p>JB to update the RTP site with Karen's event info.</p>
4. Tees	<p>A quotation for production of tees was also submitted – again pending grant, with a quote needed for jersey production..</p> <p>It was discussed that a membership and marketing plan document would be useful to have ready should the grant be successful.</p>	
5. Rides and Workdays		<p>Martyn to organise the working groups.</p> <p>Simon to organise Tuesday evening rides (or at least the first one)</p>

Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 2nd june
7.30pm
Rising Sun