

General Secretary's Report

The club has had another successful year with a lot of activity in various areas of the sport. Regular club rides and training sessions have been established and are aimed at supporting and encouraging youngsters and people new to cycling. These are led by senior members on a voluntary basis and have proved very popular with Sunday rides attracting around 20 riders including a few Dads.

Sponsorship

Thanks to the continued support of our Sponsors – Terry Dolan , Impact Security Systems, High on Bikes and Phil Melville of Argyle Financial Group we were able to promote another successful round of Schoolpersons events in March. These events were again very popular with 180 entries.

The Ben Gautrey Foundation Trust have donated a Kuota Road bike to the Club for use of a promising young local rider . This has been awarded to Dan Salcedo

Grants

The Club has successfully bid for a number of Grants in 2013 :-

Community First Neighbourhood Grant of £ 1250 to replace worn carpet and a further £1000 to purchase 3 small road bikes for use of members.

Thanks to Pete Scott we were able to apply for a Grant from MBNA and have been awarded £1000 which will be used to fund 3 or 4 track bikes for younger members to use at Manchester or Knowsley Track

Allocation of a grant from the Mayor of Seftons charity fund is expected soon and will be used to replace guttering and barge boards outside the clubroom.

Charity Rides

This year the Bill Bradley Charity ride had the biggest entries since it moved to Preston with over 300 hundred starters and raised £3300 for MacMillan cancer charity

Chris Truett did the 800 mile ride from Lands End to John O'Groats in aid of Prostate Cancer. This was a great achievement with no back-up team supporting him.

Last week 10 junior members took part in a charity spinning session at the clubroom in aid of the Ben Gautrey Foundation Trust Fund - amount raised still to be confirmed.