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Minutes: Centenary Committee Meeting 29th May 2020

1400hrs by Zoom

1. Attendance by Zoom: Alan Jelley, Bob Tinley, Dave Hearn, Mike Thomas, Paul Morton and Vicky Palethorpe.
2. Centenary booklet - Paul M: Paul had sent out a 24-page draft of the booklet – thanks to all the contributors, so far. Vicky / Dave have received an excellent article from Gordon, which needs editing, but is a fascinating read: including an amusing story about how he got his first bike – perhaps we can find some more “first bike” stories.

Vicky will write an article about the benefits of being a CTC member. (I think Alan said he would do this later in our discussion)VP

Alan will write an addition to the calendar about how members can take part in the events: we're not in a position to put exact prices on events yet.

We need to demonstrate how we are an inclusive club for all sections of the community: e.g. Vicky has written about the Ladies Tour. **Bob** will try to find some photos of Carl.

It is difficult, at present, to seek advertising from cafés although cycle shops are open.

Paul was disappointed by a negative response for a message of endorsement from the Minister of Sport. **He had contacted local MP Mark Pawsey (Rugby and Bulkington) who referred him to the Minister of Sport.** Also, CTC HQ has not been forthcoming – he will try again, and **Paul M** will ask Adam Tranter. It will not be a problem if we end up with several messages of endorsement.

3. Veteran Voices – Vicky: The project is currently being held up by Coronavirus.
We have only received a contribution from Gordon, which is of excellent quality and will be sufficient for the booklet.
4. Charity collections - Paul W: No news from Paul on this.
5. Flower borders – Grey Friars' Green and Memorial Park – Bob/Dave: Dave has some designs on the drawing board.

We need to check that this is not going to be an unduly expensive

The borders need information boards to allow the public to refer back to us: maybe QR codes.

6. Adam Tranter: We are concerned about the lack of progress with HQ to provide a speaker for the dinner and will ask Adam if he would speak. It would also be significantly cheaper to use Adam as there would be no accommodation bills.

Vicky will ask Phil Upton from CWR radio. I have not acted on this as I think the conversation was too hurried and Once I have asked him there is not going back

7. Communications – Press, Radio, Television: No progress here.

8. Triple Centenary Day – Sunday 16th May

8.1. Memorial Park – Vicky: We have heard nothing from The Friends of The Memorial Park.

Vicky will chase them as it is important that they understand the time restraints on this first part of the day's schedule.

- 8.2. Ride to Meriden: **Not discussed at the meeting - should we have several routes to Meriden to avoid congestion; do we have enough leaders to enforce groups of ten; do we need marshals at the Memorial Park – Bob.**

- 8.3. Meriden Service – Dave:

- 8.4. Ride to Fillongley – Bob: **(I have offered to help Mike with the BBQ, so will not be able to lead a group to Fillongley – we will need several leaders for small groups riding to Fillongley – Bob).**

A longer and a shorter ride should be offered.

- 8.5. Gourmet Barbeque – Mike: **Mike** is negotiating with Kumar to adjust his prices according to numbers (30, 50 or 75).

9. Celebration Dinner, including guest speaker – Friday 1st October – Mike: Mike has asked Kumar for sample menus.

Possible speakers were discussed in section 6.

10. Displays

- 10.1. Transport Museum

10.1.1. Fixed display – this is unlikely to be at the Transport Museum. **Vicky** will check with Francis Ranford where we can have our display.

Nigel Hickman's display boards are not suitable for our purpose, but Mike has made our boards more durable with plywood.

10.1.2. Special opening on Friday 9th April – this is unlikely to happen unless it dovetails with a display at the Herbert Gallery.

- 10.2. Memorial Park with Friends of the Memorial Park – Friday 9th to Sunday 11th July – Vicky to check arrangements.

Will there be a demand for supervision by us for all, or part, of the time?

10.3. HSBC Ring Road Event – September

10.3.1. Display – Mike: The display boards were discussed under 10.1.1.

The future of the event depends largely on a sponsor coming forward to follow on from HSBC.

10.3.2. Cyclopaedia – Mike: We think this is unlikely to happen as there is now insufficient time to train the tricycle teams and it is not certain that the event will go ahead because of a lack of sponsorship.

11. Tours

11.1. Mallorca – 13th - 23rd April – **John Naughton**: **Mike** will ask John to write a few words for the booklet.

11.2. UK moving on tour – **Mike**: Mike will fix a route and date.

11.3. Ladies tour – 24th - 26th September – **Vicky**: Vicky will write a brief description for the booklet.

12. Celebration Rides

12.1. Sunday 6th June – 100-mile Ride - **Bob/Dave**: Preliminary arrangements have been made.

Dave has agreed a date with Little Wolford and will talk to the Herb Centre at Warmington.

We are not sure if Little Wolford can cope with more than 50-riders, but Mike thinks we can overcome this by using a small overflow marquee, that he can source.

The future of Touchdown Café at Wellesbourne is uncertain – **Dave** will check alternatives in Wellesbourne and Charlecote.

12.2. Sunday 12th September – 100-km Centenary Challenge Ride - **Bob/Dave**: **Dave** has contacted the WI about lunch at Newnham.

Our banners should be flown at the start.

Dave will contact the Harvester in Long Itchington for use as a coffee stop.

Bob will contact the Village Hall in Clifton-upon-Dunsmore for tea.

VP We are doing this from Millenium Square aren't we? I am in process of filling in form

13. Cycling Jerseys & Badges– **Bob**: We have a preliminary design for the jerseys, which was essentially approved. "CTC Coventry" had been omitted from the design and the winged wheel on the back of the jersey was too big.

Bob has asked for a sample jersey (of any design) to be sent to Vicky so that we can get an idea how jersey sizes map onto actual bodies. The badge design was approved, although a blue background was suggested instead of the design black.

14. Meriden Christmas Carol Service and Christmas Dinner – Dave: This will take the form of the regular event.
15. Date of next meeting: 26th June by Zoom at 1400hrs.
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