

MINUTES FOR THE AUK BOARD MEETING HELD ONLINE ON 05 SEPTEMBER 2024 STARTING AT 1900.

PRESENT:

Nigel Armstrong (NA) Andy Cox (AC) (Chair) Caroline Fenton (CF) Ian Hennessey (IH) John Ward (JW) Andy Yates (AYa)

APOLOGIES:

Grant Huggins (**GH**)
Paul Renshaw (**PR**)
Darrell Whittle (**DW**)
Anne Young (**AYo**)

1. Opening

The Chairman reported that due notice of the meeting had been given and that a quorum was present. Accordingly, the Chairman declared the meeting open.

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. Minutes of previous meetings

3.a Minutes of July 24 meeting

The minutes of the July 24 meeting (11/7/24) were approved.

4. Actions arising from minutes of previous meetings

Refer to Action Tracker.

Business

5. Brevet card printers

It was agreed for **JW** and **GH** to proceed with the purchase of new brevet card printers (capable of managing 200 gsm card).

Actions:

• **GH** to proceed with purchase of new brevet card printers.

6. LEJOG 1400 event routing

The Board discussed correspondence from a member regarding routing on the LEJOG 1400 calendar event. **IH** had previously responded to the correspondent highlighting that AUK has a robust system in place for approving and risk-assessing routes, but, as AUK events are on public roads, ultimately it is for each rider to decide whether they are comfortable riding any given event.

It was confirmed that the Board agreed with the comments and response made by **IH** to the member.

It was also reiterated that event fees are the responsibility of the event organiser.

7. DIY events – new systems and processes

JW reported that the new DIY system had been successfully rolled out and was working well.

CF confirmed that if manual entries are added to the DIY system by DIY organisers, a report can be provided to JW to enable the validation fees to be billed to the organisers.

JW noted that DIY brevets will have an expiry date applied (the end of the season following the season in which they were purchased).

Actions:

• **JW/CF** to review how expiry of DIY brevets will be managed, and to update DIY event entry terms to note this time limit.

8. Mileater award

AYa advised that claims for the Mileater award are still being processed and medals have been ordered. He is continuing to liaise with the Mileater Secretary.

9. Annual Reunion

The Awards Secretary had requested that the Board consider moving the Annual Reunion to Mar/Apr. The Board discussed the relative merits of both the current Nov timing for the Reunion, and a Mar/Apr timing and agreed the next Reunion should preferably be held in Mar/Apr 2026.

Actions:

• **AYa** to advise the Reunion Organisers to target a Mar/Apr 2026 date for the next reunion.

10. Any other business

10.a AUK Clothing

It was noted that a long-sleeved AUK jersey should also be made available for members.

Actions:

 PR to proceed with making a long-sleeved jersey available for members.

10.b Pauline Porter Populaire Event

IH noted that the organiser of the Pauline Porter Populaire calendar event (which was previously run as a 600 km BP event) has been advised that the event should split into separate events if it is to be run as a BP event (or $3 \times 200 \text{ km}$ BR events).

10.c External examiner

NA proposed and it was agreed that the same external examiner as previous years would be used to exam the annual accounts.

10.d PI Partners

It was agreed to increase the fee paid to PI Partners for managing the accounts and book-keeping to £300 per month.

Closure

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed.