

Stratford CC Club Rules (last updated November 2017)

Membership

- The annual subscription for Full Senior Membership is £22 and runs from January 1st to December 31st. Members joining after October 1st will be entitled to three months' free membership on the understanding that, if the annual subscription is increased at the AGM, the difference will be due to the Club.
- In order to compete for all club trophies and obtain free entry to SCC Club Time Trials first claim membership is required. • Full membership is only open to those first claim members aged 18 and over. Only Full members are entitled to vote on motions at General meetings and Annual General meetings.
- Life members are entitled to the same rights as Full members.
- The annual subscription for Junior Membership is £12.
- Junior members are eligible for Youth and Junior Club Championships as well as certain Club Championships, as detailed below. For the purpose of membership, a Junior will be considered a Junior until 31 December in the year of his/her 18th Birthday.
- Family membership of £42 will allow all family members of a single household to any level of Club membership.
- The annual subscription for Second Claim membership is £22.
- Second Claim Members are entitled to attend meetings of the Club, social events, Club runs and Club events including time trials paying the current CTT levy for that year per race.
- A Student Membership is available for those aged 18-25 either in full-time education or not employed, for £12, on production of appropriate evidence of full-time student or unemployed status.
- Members will be eligible for Club Championship Competitions from the day after they join the Club.
- A member, who intends joining another cycling Club, shall give prior notice in writing to the secretary. A member who fails to give notice will be deemed to have resigned his membership of the Club.

Club meetings

A General Meeting will be held on the first Monday of the month except when a meeting falls on a bank holiday when the meeting will be held on the following Monday. A general meeting may also change dates if the regular venue is unavailable. Notification of such a change will be circulated as soon as practicable.

Club Competitions

The Club Championships, open to first claim members only, are detailed as follows:

a. **Road Race** - won by the rider accumulating the highest points in the season based on the BCF points system. In event of points being tied the committee will adjudicate the winner.

b. **Scratch Club Time Trial Points** - won by the rider accumulating the highest points total from his/her best 6 results (but who must have ridden at least one 25 mile and one Roadmans) in club time trials. Based on 20 points allocated to the winner, down to one point for 20th place.

c. **Handicap Time Trial Points** - won by the rider amassing the highest points total on net handicap position, using the same scoring formula as for the scratch points.

d. **Veteran Standard Time Trial Points** - As for "c" above, but open to veteran riders only.

e. **Club BAR (Men)** - won by the male obtaining the highest average of three speeds (fastest 10 miles, 25 miles and 50 miles respectively). The competition will be based on rides carried out between 1st March and 1st October each year. This will be confined to Stratford Cycling Club club events; however in the event that the club 50 mile trial has to be cancelled, any Open 50 event result will qualify. Results sheets for Open events must be submitted to the Time Trial Secretary by 31st October of that year.

f. **Club BAR (Women)** - won by the female obtaining the highest average of three speeds (10-12 miles(x2) and 25 miles respectively). The competition will be based on rides carried out between 1st March and 1st October each year. This will be confined to Stratford Cycling Club events.

g. **Hill Climb** - won by the rider with the fastest time in the Club Hill Climb event

h. **Roadman's** - won by the rider accumulating the highest points total from all 3 roadman's time trials. Based on 20 points allocated to the winner, down to one point for 20th place.

i. **Most Improved male, female and junior Riders (3 awards)**. This is a discretionary award made by the Committee to the male, female and junior riders judged to have made the greatest improvement.

j. **Clubman of the Year** - a discretionary award made by the Committee to the member they consider to have made the greatest contribution to the Club over the previous year.

k. **The Robert Heenan memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the most outstanding Junior rider of the year.

Events b, e, f, g and h are open to adults and juniors.

Youth and Junior Time Trial trophies.

Youth (Aged 12-16)

a. The competition is open to all youths as defined by British Cycling

b. The competition will comprise of club time trials on the 'Quiet courses' up to 15 miles, including roadmans events and and the Hill climb.

- c. Points will be awarded to eligible riders for each event with 20 points for 1st place, 19 for 2nd and so on.
- d. The riders best 4 performances will count, the rider with the highest total being the winner.

Juniors (aged 16-18)

- a. The Competition is open to all Juniors as defined by the CTT.
- b. The competition comprises of club time trials on the 'quiet courses' up to 25 miles, including roadman events and the hill climb.
- c. Points will be awarded to eligible riders for each event with 20 points for 1st place, 19 for 2nd, and so on.
- d. The rider's best 6 performances will count, the rider with the highest total being declared the winner.

Marshalling

All members are expected to make every effort to be available when the Club promotes Open events. Members wishing to ride in the Club Open events, must secure a person to take their place as a marshal, if required to do so.

Wearing of Helmets Guidelines

The wearing of helmets for under 18's is compulsory during all club cycling events. All other club riders are strongly advised to wear a helmet during all club cycling events.

Racing Section

- a. The Racing Section Committee shall be set up under the chair of the Competition Secretary. It will consist of all racing section members.
- b. The Racing Section Team shall consist of those full, first claim, members who participate in a competitive role for Stratford CC and who are fully paid up members of the Race Section.
- c. Race Section membership will be £35 (in addition to Full or Junior Membership). This will entitle Team members to free entry for all Stratford CC race promotions (providing adequate marshalling is in place).

d. The S.C.C. shall provide funds to sponsor a maximum of 10 Racing Section members up to £35 each. At the end of the year members shall receive £10 per race (open RACE events - TTs, Road Races, Cyclocross, Mountain Bike, not Sportives) up to a maximum total of £70 (7 races). The monies shall be distributed by the Racing Section Committee. Any money left in the pot goes back into general club funds. Claims must be made by Dec 31st of the season in question.

Circulation of Club Documents

The principal means of communication shall be by e-mail. It is the responsibility of each member to ensure their contact details are kept up to date by informing the Membership Secretary of any changes. Members who do not have e-mail should provide a postal address to which all correspondence will be sent.

Reimbursement of Expenses

Volunteers using their own vehicles on Club events may claim on event mileage expenses from the organisers at a rate paid to Commissaires by British Cycling.

Members undertaking British Cycling courses, or courses approved by British Cycling, for the benefit of the Club may claim expenses at the rate defined by British Cycling or where these are not defined, at the rate British Cycling pay Commissaires.

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Signed

Print Name Club Chairman