

# **British Cycling North West Region Off Road Workgroup AGM Report September 2020**

## **Mountain Bike**

The workgroup started out as the Mountain Bike workgroup which met in May 2019. A number of challenges were identified requiring responses from British Cycling. A follow up meeting was to be arranged when British Cycling was ready with the initial responses. British Cycling have not as yet come forward with their response.

The workgroup is now the Off Road workgroup, with a wider remit to include Cyclocross. The group has not met as an Off Road workgroup. The Cyclocross element is co-ordinated with the North West Cyclocross Association, with a report to the North West Board each year.

## **Cyclocross**

The NWCCA (North West Cyclocross Association) league successfully ran as normal in 2019. The upgraded timing system was a great improvement in producing accurate and timely results. Overall numbers of participants was about the same as 2018, whereas previous years has seen significant growth each year.

The North West hosted the National Trophy event at the Westmoreland Showground in 2019. The event is scheduled for October 2020 with entries currently rolling in. A note of thanks to Dave Haygarth for organising this event.

The NWCCA has not cancelled the league for 2020. As events depend on the willingness of organisers and the availability of venues, the league be the events that become available. The NWCCA is currently working with organisers. It is hoped that there will be a number of Cyclocross Events in the North West, supported by NWCCA and run as a league.

The NWCCA held an EGM in 2020, with the sole purpose of deferring the AGM for a year, and agreeing to continue as in 2019 with no changes.

## **Going Forward**

With the return of British Cycling staff from furlough the questions from the initial Mountain Bike meeting need to be revisited and a Workgroup meeting arranged. The workgroup will contribute to the British Cycling Regional Plan, for MTB, Cyclocross and potentially newer forms of off-road cycling activity.

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