

Audax UK Long Distance Cyclists' Association Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2023/24

Held online (via Zoom) on 19th February 2025 at 19:00.

1) To record the names of those present at the meeting

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Board Members attending:

Andy Cox (Chair), Nigel Armstrong (Finance Director), Caroline Fenton (Membership Secretary), Ian Hennessey (Calendar Events Secretary), Grant Huggins (Events Services Director and Recorder), Paul Renshaw (Communications Director), John Ward (Permanent Events Secretary), Darrell Whittle (Non-Executive Director), Andy Yates (General Secretary), Anne Young (Non-Executive Director).

Other Members attending:

Gill Cooper, Chris Crossland, Ivan Cornell (AAA Secretary), Peter Davis (Awards Secretary and Reunion Delegate), Darryl Lidford, Kevin Lake, Arabella Maude, Lucy McTaggart (Reunion Delegate), Richard McTaggart, Jonathan Walters, Kevin Ward, Phil Wood.

2) To record apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from:

Robert Garvin, Richard Painter, Mark Thompson.

3) To approve the minutes of the last AGM as a true record of that meeting

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 356 discretionary proxy votes.

The Chair declared that their discretionary proxy votes be cast in favour of the resolution.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 2 votes for the resolution.
- 0 votes against the resolution.
- 1 vote to abstain on the resolution.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 909 votes for the resolution.
- 2 votes against the resolution.
- 83 votes to abstain on the resolution.
- 994 total votes cast.

The minutes of the last AGM were approved.

4) Matters arising from the last meeting (AGM 2022/23).

None

5) To approve the Annual Report

The Chair asked for any questions or comments from the floor on the individual sections of the Annual Report. No questions or comments were raised.

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 356 discretionary proxy votes.

The Chair declared that their discretionary proxy votes be cast in favour of the resolution.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 3 votes for the resolution.
- 0 votes against the resolution.
- 0 votes to abstain on the resolution.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 935 votes for the resolution.
- 2 votes against the resolution.
- 60 votes to abstain on the resolution.
- 997 total votes cast.

The Annual Report was approved.

6) To approve the Annual Accounts and the Finance Director's recommendations

The Chair asked for any questions or comments from the floor on the Annual Accounts. No questions or comments were raised.

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 369 discretionary proxy votes.

The Chair declared that their discretionary proxy votes be cast in favour of the resolution.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 3 votes for the resolution.
- 0 votes against the resolution.
- 0 votes to abstain on the resolution.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 922 votes for the resolution.
- 1 vote against the resolution.
- 67 votes to abstain on the resolution.
- 990 total votes cast.

The Annual Accounts and the Finance Director's recommendations were approved.

7) To consider resolutions

a) Resolution 1

Proposer: AUK Board

Resolution:

That Awards Regulations be amended with the following revision to appendix 1.2.4:

1.2.4 The Randonneur Award Series is for achievement in one season, except where indicated. All events of 200km or more must be BR, BRM or RM. For any distance a longer distance may be substituted. The Super Randonneur award is available to all riders; only subscribed Members are eligible for other Randonneur awards. A rider completing a Super Randonneur award is thereafter designated a Super Randonneur:

- (a) Randonneur 500: 50, 100, 150 and 200 km events;*
- (b) Randonneur 1000: 100, 200, 300, plus other events to a total of 1,000 km;*
- (c) Super Randonneur: 200, 300, 400 and 600 km events;*
- (d) Randonneur 2500: 200, 300, 400, 600 & 1000 km events;*
- (e) Randonneur 5000: BR, BRM or RM events totalling 5,000 km;*

- (f) Randonneur 10000: BR, BRM or RM events totalling 10,000 km;*
- (g) Ultra Randonneur : riders completing ten Super Randonneur series shall be eligible for the award of Ultra Randonneur. Only one series per year counts. The series do not have to be consecutive;*
- (h) Randonneur Round The Year: riders completing one 200km or longer event per month, as listed in the Audax UK event results;*
- (i) Randonneur 25,000; within any period of time, BR, BRM, ACP or RM events comprising a total distance of at least 25,000 km at randonneur standard;*
- (j) Randonneur 50,000; within any period of time, BR, BRM, ACP or RM events comprising a total distance of at least 50,000 km at randonneur standard;*
- (k) Randonneur 75,000; within any period of time, BR, BRM, ACP or RM events comprising a total distance of at least 75,000 km at randonneur standard; and*
- (l) Randonneur 100,000: within any period of time, BR, BRM, ACP or RM events comprising a total distance of at least 100,000 km at randonneur standard.*

The Chair asked for any questions or comments from the floor on Resolution 1. No questions or comments were raised.

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 179 discretionary proxy votes.

The Chair declared that their discretionary proxy votes be cast in favour of the resolution.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 3 votes for the resolution.
- 0 votes against the resolution.
- 0 votes to abstain on the resolution.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 968 votes for the resolution.
- 10 votes against the resolution.
- 23 votes to abstain on the resolution.
- 1001 total votes cast.

The resolution was therefore passed.

b) Resolution 2

Proposer: AUK Board

Resolution:

That Event Regulations be amended with the following revision to appendix 7.3.1:

7.3.1 Acceptable proof of passage requires independent evidence of time, date and control location. Acceptable forms include:

- (a) A timed signature of a controller designated by the event organiser*
- (b) A stamp, sticker or other distinct mark provided by the event organiser or a controller*
- (c) A printed receipt, with time, date and control location e.g. from a cash register or ATM*
- (d) A digital record of time, date and location using a method designated by the event organiser, e.g. e-brevet.*
- (e) Other forms may be designated by the organiser, provided they are acceptable to AUK.*

Where a rider is unable to obtain proof of passage, an alternative form may be accepted at the organiser's discretion.

The Chair asked for any questions or comments from the floor on Resolution 2. No questions or comments were raised.

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 158 discretionary proxy votes.

The Chair declared that their discretionary proxy votes be cast in favour of the resolution.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 3 votes for the resolution.
- 0 votes against the resolution.
- 0 votes to abstain on the resolution.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 988 votes for the resolution.
- 5 votes against the resolution.
- 8 votes to abstain on the resolution.
- 1001 total votes cast.

The resolution was therefore passed.

c) Resolution 3

Proposer: AUK Board

Resolution:

That Event Regulations be amended with the following addition of appendix 7.4.3:

7.4.3 Timings for intermediate controls are advisory only.

The Chair asked for any questions or comments from the floor on Resolution 3. No questions or comments were raised.

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 188 discretionary proxy votes.

The Chair declared that their discretionary proxy votes be cast in favour of the resolution.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 3 votes for the resolution.
- 0 votes against the resolution.
- 0 votes to abstain on the resolution.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 971 votes for the resolution.
- 13 votes against the resolution.
- 15 votes to abstain on the resolution.
- 999 total votes cast.

The resolution was therefore passed.

8) Election of Directors

The Chair noted it was his usual policy to abstain on elections where he had discretionary votes.

a) Finance Director

Sole Nominee: Nigel Armstrong (AUK 2585)

No questions from the floor.

Result:

John Ward declared that the Chair had 222 discretionary proxy votes.

John Ward declared that the votes cast at the meeting were:

- 3 votes for the candidate.
- 0 votes against the candidate.
- 0 votes to abstain on the election.

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 743 votes for the candidate.
- 2 votes against the candidate.
- 223 votes to abstain on the election.
- 968 total votes cast.

Nigel Armstrong was duly elected.

b) Non-Executive Directors (2 posts)

Nominee 1: Rob Bullyment (AUK 4010)

Nominee 2: Arabella Maude (AUK 5617)

Nominee 3: Darrell Whittle (AUK 5592)

Nominee 4: Anne Young (AUK 6749)

No questions from the floor.

Result:

John Ward therefore declared the following result (incorporating the mandated proxy votes received from the online voting):

- 317 votes for Rob Bullyment.
- 431 votes for Arabella Maude.
- 351 votes for Darrell Whittle.
- 643 votes for Anne Young.

Arabella Maude and Anne Young were duly elected.

9) Date and venue of next meeting

To be agreed but likely to be held online in February 2026.

10) Close of meeting

Chris Crossland, on behalf of the members, offered a vote of thanks to the board, delegates, organisers and everyone else who had contributed to AUK for their hard work.

Chris Crossland noted that the AGM usually records the names of members who have passed away since the previous AGM. Caroline Fenton apologised for the oversight of not including this within the meeting and noted that they would be appended to the minutes.

The Chair thanked everyone who had attended the meeting.

The meeting closed at 19:25.

Post-meeting note

The following AUK members were noted as having sadly passed away since the previous AGM:

John Alldred, Stuart Ball, Chris Batch, Andreas Braukmann, Chris Burton, Terence Cleary, Jim Cope, Paul Everest, Peter Hansen, Michael Kennedy, Ken Knight, Eric Millington, William Morris, Stuart Norris, Rufus Pomeroy, Mike Street, Paul West, David Woodward.