

MINUTES FOR THE AUK BOARD MEETING HELD ONLINE ON 04 SEPTEMBER 2025 STARTING AT 1900.

PRESENT:

Andy Cox (AC) – Chair Nigel Armstrong (NA) Caroline Fenton (CF) Ian Hennessey (IH) Grant Huggins (GH) Arabella Maude (AM) Paul Renshaw (PR) John Ward (JW) Andy Yates (AYa) Anne Young (AYo)

APOLOGIES:

(none)

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 2025 meeting

The minutes of the 22 July 2025 meeting were approved.

4. Actions arising from minutes of previous meetings

Refer to Action Tracker.

5. Review of LEL 2025

The Board noted its disappointment that severe weather had required the curtailing of this year's LEL event, and agreed that this was the correct decision on the grounds of rider safety.

The positive attitude from the vast majority of riders to a very difficult and fast moving situation was particularly highlighted.

Some issues were noted which are being reviewed by the LEL team, AUK and LRM to improve future events.

6. Draft AGM Resolutions

6.a Amendments to Regulations

AYa presented the Board Paper 'Potential Board Resolutions for Feb 26 AGM'. This presented a list of potential amendments to the regulations based on recommendations from the Strategy Group, and other matters which have been raised in previous Board Meetings.

The Board reviewed the proposals and provided comment. The majority of the proposed resolutions were agreed, but updated wording is required to some matters.

Actions:

• **AYa** to review comments and update the proposed amendments to regulations for review at the next meeting.

6.b Amendments to Articles (Special Resolution)

AYa referred the Board to the 'Potential Article amendments v1' paper. The Board were requested to review these proposals after the meetings and provide comments to **AYa**.

Actions:

• **All** to review potential Article amendments and provide comment.

7. 50th anniversary

7.a Membership renewal offers

 $\pmb{\mathsf{CF}}$ raised a question as to whether we want to offer a discount for renewals as part of the 50^{th} anniversary arrangements. It was agreed that

this would not be implemented. However, potentially a free year of membership could be implemented, to be announced at the AGM.

8. General Secretary

8.a Safeguarding consultancy

AYa referred the Board to the two proposals obtained for Safeguarding consultancy services. The Board agreed to proceed with NSPCC Consultancy.

IH, **AM** and **AYo** agreed to lead on this piece of work

Actions:

• **AYa** to advise NSPCC and pass on contact details for IH, AM and AYo.

9. Membership Secretary

9.a Online Arrivée proposal

CF raised a question of whether we should make Arrivée available to members electronically only, i.e. that members could opt out of receiving the paper copy. It was agreed to implement this proposal.

Actions:

• **CF** to work towards enabling members to opt out of paper copy of Arrivée and to receive it electronically.

9.b Audax.uk / aukweb switchover

CF updated the Board that the switchover of calendar event finishing and validations will be occurring over the next couple of weeks.

10. Any other business

10.a Mileater

It was noted that Graham Brodie (GB) has taken over the role of Mileater Secretary and is managing claims going forward.

It was noted that the Female Mileater Award for 2022 and 2023 is pending on the results pages.

Actions:

• **GH** to check with GB if he can confirm the recipient(s) of the 2022 and 2023 Female Mileater Award.

10.b Strategy Group update

AM noted that the Members' survey is ready and plans to send to members at the end og the season.

AM noted that a 'Women in Audax' group had been set up (with **AM** and **AYo** leading) to look at women's participation in AUK.

Closure

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