**2022/23 Chairmans report**

It has been another successful year for TCOS. Our membership numbers have remained stable (at circa one hundred), as we have sought to grow the club modestly and without any targeted recruitment given the limited resources at our disposal.

As a community-focused cycling club we have raised further funds for the three local charities we support; a total of £4,500 to be donated in equal amounts to Second Helpings, Mind Space and T-21.

Following your input at last year's AGM, we launched monthly Beginner's rides - for those prospective members who have never ridden a bike, or did so in the distant past, and need a helping hand to get started. My thanks to Sharon for getting this initiative off the ground.

We have organised several events, including a weekend (two nights) in the Yorkshire Wolds, a 100-mile charity ride to Lincoln (where many of our members completed their first century ride) and the Fred Whitton challenge ride in Cumbria (that included training rides in the Peak District and the Yorkshire Dales).

We have plans to organise further events in the year ahead and shall be asking for volunteers in due course. In that regard I wish to extend my gratitude to everyone who was involved in organising and supporting last year’s events.

I'd also like to extend my gratitude to Doug and to Jamie, who are standing down from the committee next year. As PR/Comms officer Doug has effectively promoted the club through the course of the year liaising with external parties and the Media and has launched the quarterly club newsletter Spoke. And as treasurer Jamie has improved our transaction recording processes and simplified our financial statements, making it an easier task for any prospective new treasurer taking up the role.

In 2023 we first aid trained thirteen members, increasing the number of ride leads to keep you safe on the roads.

We are looking forward to more Fitness, fun and camaraderie next year.

Paul McCormick, Chairman