



**Yorkshire
Branch**



Branch Meeting Minutes – 13th January 2016

Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

1. Chairman (Barrie Blayney)

Barrie opened the meeting at 8.00pm and welcomed all 20 attendees.

2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Ian Jayne, Owen Walker, Dave Bell, Nigel Johnson, Gary Standley and Peter Fairbank.

- The following request has again been received from the NOC for branches to publicise their events during 2016:
'Roadholder and the website need your input for events in 2016 if you want them to be advertised. Please do not include things like your monthly Branch meetings/rides out, unless there is to be a special one with say a speaker/special guest. What is needed are camping weekends, rallies and Shows that your Branch is attending, that you want the Club membership to know about'.

Invites for the Hebden Bridge Show (6th and 7th August 2016) have been sent out by the organisers, branch members voted to support this charitable event again this year, Andy will contact Dave Bell to see if a similar pitch to last year can be secured for the Sunday the 7th date. If this can be arranged Andy will again inform the NOC to publicise the event.

- For information, the Norton Festival (1st to 3rd July) will be held at Merley Court Campsite Wimborne Dorset, the following details are copied from the NOC website below:

Following on from the very successful Norton Festival in 2014 the Events Team has organised the 2016 Festival to be based around the fantastic roads and scenery of the New Forest. The event is a 3 day event but you are welcome to arrive early or stay after the event to make a longer holiday of it as there really is loads to see around the Dorset/Hampshire coastline.

The rally base is Merley Court Holiday Park situated on the outskirts of Bournemouth near the little village of Wimborne Minster just off the A31 around 7 miles from the New Forest.

The campsite itself has a full range of facilities including: swimming pool, on-site supermarket, restaurants, a bar, an entertainment/games room and shower/toilet blocks, All pitches also include an electric hook up.

3. Ride Outs 2015 (Andy Lodge)

The ride out programme for 2016 will commence in April as per usual (dates to be determined), Andy asked for volunteers to plan an interesting route for one of the six scheduled runs, minimum total distance should be around 80 miles, maximum should be 200 miles.

4. Treasurers report (Peter Driver)

Peter took the opportunity to thank the branch members for the award of his 'certificate of recognition' for his long service in the role of Treasurer to the branch, Peter said that due to illness in the family he was going through a difficult time and this award really brightened up his day when he received it.

Peter went on to report that the branch has a balance of £860.77 in the bank account at the present time, this would fall slightly due to the purchase of new tools for the branch loan items.

5. Any Other Business (Barrie Blayney)

Ian Jayne could not attend the meeting, however, if anybody has any further questions about road safety and aspects of traffic law Ian would be happy to provide answers when he next attends. Questions should be sent in advance to Ian via e-mail (ianjayne@blueyonder.co.uk).

Russ Ward advised members that a new tool had been added to the branch loan items, this is a rocker spindle extraction tool, Tony Ward stated that he had used it and it works very well.

The meeting was formally closed and sandwiches were provided by the staff at the Marsh.

Andy Lodge – NOC Yorkshire Branch Secretary

Don't forget all details of the branch activities can be found on our web-site - <http://yorkshire.branches.nortonownersclub.org>

Date of next meeting 10th February 2016