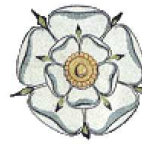




## Yorkshire Branch



# Branch Meeting Minutes – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

### 1. Chairman (Russ Ward)

Russ opened the meeting at 8.00pm and welcomed all 18 attendees on the evening.

### 2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Ian Jayne, Don Tovey, Peter Driver, Gary Standley, and Bruce Senior.

The Yorkshire Branch of the NOC will not be represented at the Branch secretaries meeting (Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April at Donington Hall), this is the first time in many years we have been unable to send a representative. Some members are intending to attend the NOC AGM the day after at Donington Hall.

A branch annual report has been submitted to the NOC liaison officer, this has to be completed every year in advance of the AGM. A copy of the report will be circulated with these meeting minutes.

Andy had requested and received from the NOC a complete list of 271 NOC members who live in the Yorkshire area and were in post code districts that would fall within the catchment area of the Yorkshire Branch, 37 NOC members on the list who live relatively locally have been sent letters informing them about branch activities so they can choose to get involved or not as the case may be. At the time of writing this has resulted 5 people getting back in touch and providing e-mail addresses so that they are kept informed about branch activities.

The branch has officially been invited to the Sowerby Bridge bike show that takes place on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May, the show will take place in the normal canal basin location, again branch members plan to take the club marque and put on a display of Norton's.

Andy was contacted by a guy who lives in Barnsley and recently purchased a 1975 850 Interstate, the bike is 65% restored but needs finishing, he has purchased a number of spare parts but is looking for someone locally to complete the restoration for him. Andy requested more details and possibly some photo's so people could see what the bike requires. Can anybody recommend a professional classic bike restorer local to Barnsley?

### **3. Ride Outs 2017 (Andy Lodge)**

The first planned ride out of 2018 will take place on Saturday 7th April, meet at 10.00am for a 10.30am prompt start. The meeting place will be at the Trawlerman Fish and Chip shop car park at Cross Hills (At the end of the dual carriageway that runs from Keighley towards Skipton (Next to the petrol station)). The planned route will run through the Dales with a stop at Teesdale Motorcycles in Thirsk (Norton dealer).

### **4. Treasurers report (Peter Holland)**

Peter reported that the branch has a balance of £557.06 in the bank account at the present time.

### **5. Any Other Business (Russ Ward)**

John Oldridge thanked members for their recommendation at the last meeting, he was able to purchase the same amount of metal he required from Metal Supermarkets (Gildersome) at a saving of approximately £45 from his alternate supplier.

John also informed members about the Waterwheel Tearoom and Italian Bistro he recently visited in Howden, opening hours were 09.30 to 17:00 for the tea room, John said the owners was a 'Petrol Head' and ex TT racer and the tea room was worth a visit, it's 3 miles away from the M62 junction 37 (post code DN14 7JP).

The NOC AGM (Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April) will be attended by John Oldridge who will represent the Yorkshire Branch, John will be travelling down by car to Donington. John discussed giving a lift to other members wanting to attend, if you would like to go with John please contact him on 01423 870008.

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 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018