



## Yorkshire Branch



### **Branch Meeting Minutes – 8th September 2021**

**Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.**

#### **1. Chairman (Russ Ward)**

Russ opened the meeting at 8.30 pm and welcomed all 15 attendees on the evening.

#### **2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)**

Apologies for absence – Bob Nabozny, Bob Brown, Bruce Senior, Ian Barnes, Gary Standley.

A new branch member attended the meeting for the first time and was welcomed by the group, Laurence Scott (Lozz) lives in the Halifax area and has recently purchased a 850Mk2 Commando that has been reimported back from the USA.

The East Yorkshire Branch have invited both the Yorkshire Branch and the Nott's Branch to their quiz night on Thursday October 21st. Meet about 7.30ish for the quiz to start at about 8.00. The venue is as before, the Bowman's Hotel in Howden, (on the main street, directly opposite the Market Place).

Since the national NOC membership officer has been sending out notification of new members in branch areas to branch secretaries, the Yorkshire Branch has been informed of 19 new members since May in our catchment area, a welcome e-mail has been sent to these new members by the branch secretary, just under 50% of the individuals concerned have responded to the e-mail, hopefully we'll see some new faces at our meetings or events in the future.

A classic bike meeting has been organised in Snaith for this coming Sunday (12<sup>th</sup> September) from 10am to 4pm, the event takes place in the market place. The advert for this was seen on the notice board at Squires Cafe and has been jointly

organised by the towns of Snaith and Cowick. Snaith is located approximately 6 miles south of Selby on the A1041 or alternatively by leaving the M62 at junction 34. If anybody wants to meet up at the event a few branch members aim to be there for 11am (only if the weather is half decent!!).

### **3. Ride Outs 2021 (Andy Lodge)**

The branch ride out scheduled for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Aug 2021 was cancelled due to bad weather on the day, this was only the second time in 15 years of organising ride outs that we had to cancel!

A short notice ride out was organised on the Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup> August) after the cancelled ride out using the WhatsApp group messaging system, 7 bikes met at JEMs Speedshop in Batley, from there the group rode over to Standedge Canel tunnel cafe in Marsden, Huddersfield via Emley Moor, Holmfirth and Meltham. After refreshments we rode over the Pennines to Delph and visited Saddleworth Classic Motorcycles which is a proper old school business with a good selection of classic bikes and spares for sale. The return route went through Denshaw and Outlane, the ride covered 66 miles and was conducted in dry bright weather leading to great views of the Pennines and the local towns, ideal for motorcycling.

If you are not already using WhatsApp on your Smart phone and want to be included on this messaging system contact Andy who should be able to add you to the group.

Next ride out will be a Yorkshire Dales run on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September, the meeting place will be at the Trawlerman fish and chip shop car park just off the Kildwick roundabout (the last roundabout on the dual carriageway between Keighley and Skipton at the Skipton end), this roundabout is where the A629 joins the A6068. Meet at 10.00am for a 10.30am prompt start. In case of bad weather the ride out will be cancelled, if you want to check on the morning of the ride that it's still going ahead, contact Andy between 08.00am and 09.00am on 07810 658994.

Following the discussion at last months meeting a vote was held to see if members wanted to pay a £2 or £3 sum per head at each meeting, to have some food put on by the Landlords of the Marsh Inn. The vote was overwhelmingly in favour of not having the food provision.

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

Peter advised members that the branch funds now stood at £530.18.

## **5. Any Other Business (Andy Lodge)**

Tony and Russ Ward attended the Essex Branch camping weekend recently, both were very complimentary about the guys from Essex and the good time they had down there. Camping facilities were said to be basic, but never the less they recommended that people attend future events.

Note the NOC Yorkshire Branch AGM will be held at our November meeting.

The meeting was formally closed.

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 13th October 2021