



# Yorkshire Branch



## Branch Meeting Minutes

– 13th June 2023

Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

### 1. Chairman (Russ Ward)

The sunny evening led to many people turning up on their bikes with a good selection of Norton's being present. Russ welcomed all 16 attendees and opened the meeting at 8.30pm.

### 2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Bob Brown, Peter Holland, Graham Backhouse and Barry Crosby.

The East Yorkshire NOC Branch held their Classic Bike Gathering at the Mile End Cafe near Pocklington on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 11 people from the Yorkshire branch attended the meeting which was again blessed with good sunny weather and was very well attended with a large selection of classic bikes attending. Credit goes out to the East Yorkshire guys for organising this popular event.

The NOC National Rally takes place over this coming weekend (16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> June) in Aberfoyle near Stirling in Scotland, the event will be well attended by branch members with 13 people having booked.

The Big bike Sunday event is taking place again at the Skipton Auction mart on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, a number of members are planning to attend the event but this year the branch will not be taking the club marquee to advertise the NOC, instead members will be displaying their bikes individually. Phil Holdsworth a new branch member from Pateley Bridge has been in touch to say he'll be taking his Commando along to the event.

### **3. Ride Outs 2023 (Andy Lodge)**

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May - 12 bikes met up at the Gregg's cafe on the eastbound A64 near Tadcaster, the group then rode over to the Seaways cafe at Fridaythorpe for the first stop, from there the next stop was the Oasis cafe on the Scarborough north bay seafront. Photo's were taken with Scarborough castle in the background with 6 Commando's in a line up (the seventh Commando and riders had left shortly before to meet up with friends who lived locally). Following the lunch break the group then rode back via Thornton le Dale, York, Cawood and the last stop at Squires cafe near Sherburn. On this last stretch of the ride some of the group came across an accident where a bike (not from our group) had hit the side of a car, causing both to crash, the bike rider was hospitalised following a delay where the police and ambulance service had to attend. The ride out was again blessed with sunshine all the way and 167 miles were covered during the day.

Due to branch activities in June there will be no formal ride out in the month as 2 of the weekends already have events planned, these are the NOC National Rally in Aberfoyle, Scotland (16th to 19th June) where a large number of branch members will be attending, additionally on the weekend after (Sunday 25th June) it's the Big Bike Sunday event at the Skipton Auction Mart.

In July Andy will be unavailable so he's looking for a volunteer to organise the July branch ride out, the date and destination can be chosen by the ride out organiser. John Oldridge has said he may be able to lead a ride out but it will be on a midweek day, if he can he will publicise it via the branch WhatsApp group.

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

In Peter's absence Andy reported that the branch funds now stand at approximately £477.75.

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

None.

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 is Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023.