



Yorkshire Branch



Branch Meeting Minutes – 12th September 2023 Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

1. Chairman (Russ Ward)

Russ welcomed all 12 attendees and opened the meeting at 8.30pm.

2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Bob Brown, Gary Standley, Bob Nabozny, Don Tovey, Barry Lodge, Stephen Roxbrough, Ian Barnes, and Barry Crosby.

A new branch member attended for the first time, Bob Smith was accompanied by his wife (Jean). Bob has recently purchased a 650SS that is on the road but he's still fettling it.

Tony and Russ Ward attended the NOC International Rally in Sweden that occurred over the weekend of 12th and 13th August, They reported that the event was very well (fantastic was the word used) organised with good food and good weather, they also said that the area of Sweden was very sparsely populated and the large organised ride out saw very little traffic out on the route making it great for biking. 14 nations were represented at the rally.

The 2024 International rally will be held in Spain (Tossa de Mar) on the east coast above Barcelona on the 1st and 2nd June 2024. No further details have been released as yet.

3. Ride Outs 2023 (Andy Lodge)

Sunday 13th August – Peak District ride out.

Seven bikes met at the ride out start point, from there the group rode over to Tim Dickinson's house via Emley Moor where Tim kindly provided Tea, Coffee and buns and a look at his extensive bike collection. Following an extended stop at Tim's, Tim joined the group on his Commando and led the group down the Strines to the Ladybower reservoir area where most of the group had their lunch. Two of the bikes left the group at this point to venture in other directions whilst the remainder rode back home via Glossop and Holme Moss. Six Norton's attended the run and 99 miles were covered (probably more like 140 miles for those who has to travel further than the secretary to the meeting point!!!).

Saturday 16th September – Pennine Area ride out.

This is the last of the formal branch planned ride outs for 2023. Meet at the Co-Op fuel station next to the Trawlerman fish and chip restaurant which is situated on the Kildwick roundabout on the A629 between Keighley and Skipton, meeting time is 10.00am for a 10.30am prompt start. As per normal if the weather is bad on the day the ride out will be cancelled, if in doubt ring Andy on the morning of the ride between 08.00am and 09.00am on 07810 658994. At the time of writing the weather forecast is not favourable, if this is accurate and as this is the last planned ride out of the year the ride out will be postponed by 1-week and rescheduled for Saturday 23rd September.

4. Treasurers report (Peter Holland)

Peter reported that the branch funds now stand at £487.30.

5. Any Other Business (Russ Ward)

Five members from the branch attended the Snaith motorcycle day in East Yorkshire on Sunday 10th September, they reported that the event was again very well attended.

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 10th October 2023.