

Yorkshire Branch



Branch Meeting Minutes – 12th March 2024 Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

1. Chairman (Russ Ward)

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

2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Gary Standley, Ian Barnes and Barry Crosby.

In response to the branches request for our attendance at the Hebden Bridge Vintage Weekend (HBVW) on Sunday 4th August to revert back to the arrangements we enjoyed when Dave Bell was organising the event, ie the club pays for the 2 pitches and members displaying their Norton's enter free of additional charges on the day Richard Holborow HBVW stall co-ordinator sent the following response:-

We will be glad to welcome you and your Club members back this year. As far as I am concerned it went well. We were pleased that you kept to the arrangement about numbers and keeping to the footprint of the two stalls and I know that the public were glad to see you and your bikes. Two people per bike will be OK, for up to 10 bikes, as long as passengers enter at the same time as the rider (there will be one entry card per bike).

The branch has now booked for the event at a total cost of £66.24 and the event will be advertised in Roadholder and on the NOC website.

The NOC directors have agreed to pay mileage expenses for Branch Secretaries to attend the NOC Branch Secretaries meeting on Saturday 13th April, in an attempt to increase attendance at the meeting, in previous years our branch has reimbursed the secretary for fuel costs out of the branch funds.

The club magazine (Roadholder) is presently produced in an A5 format, the directors have agreed to ask Mark Woodward (editor of Roadholder) to look into producing it in a larger B5 format, this is halfway between the existing size and the A4 size.

At the NOC AGM in April, club members will be asked to vote on the planned increase in the club subscription fee, as an example of the increase, presently the fee for annual membership when paid by direct debit is £22, the proposed new amount would be £23. When compared to other similar clubs fees this still represents very good value.

3. Ride Outs 2024 (Andy Lodge)

The first ride out of the year is planned for Sunday 7th April 2024, the meeting place will be the fuel station adjacent to the Trawlerman fish and chip restaurant which is located off the roundabout at the Kildwick end of the dual carriageway between Keighley and Kildwick. The ride out will go north into the Yorkshire Dales, meeting time will be 10am for a 10.30am prompt start.

4. Treasurers report (Peter Holland)

Peter reported that the branch funds now stand at £459.30.

5. Any Other Business (Russ Ward)

Russ Ward will be running a half marathon in London on Sunday 7th April when he's attempting to raise £500 for the Sue Ryder charity, he's already raised close to that amount. A number of club members have already contributed to his fund raising activity via the Just Giving page on the internet. If you would like to contribute, go to Just Giving and on the search line type in Russell Ward to make a donation.

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 - <u>http://yorkshire.branches.nortonownersclub.org</u>

Date of next meeting is Tuesday 9th April 2024.