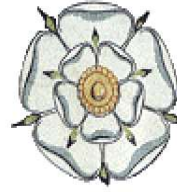




Yorkshire Branch



Branch Meeting Minutes

– 9th April 2024

Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

1. Chairman (Russ Ward)

Russ welcomed all 10 attendees and opened the meeting at 8.30 pm.

2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Bob Brown, Gary Standley, Ian Barnes, Peter Holland, Bruce Senior, Martin Holdsworth, John Oldridge and Barry Crosby.

The NOC branch secretaries meeting occurs this coming Saturday (13th April) with the club AGM taking place the day after at the British Motor Museum at Gaydon. Andy will be attending both events to represent the Yorkshire Branch. At the AGM, 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.

Our Chairman Russ Ward ran a half marathon in London on Sunday 7th April attempting to raise £500 for the Sue Ryder charity, at the time of writing Russ had raised £985. Well done Russ.

The East Yorkshire branch 'Classic Gathering' takes place on Sunday 12th May between 10.30am and 3.00pm at the Mile Cafe on the outskirts of Pocklington (YO24 1TW), this is normally well attended by branch members and occurs before our next branch meeting.

3. Ride Outs 2024 (Andy Lodge)

The first ride out of the year took place on Saturday 6th April, originally this was planned for Sunday 7th but a late change was made due to the forecasted bad weather on Sunday. From the meeting point the group rode through Kettlewell and stopped at Berries cafe on the road between Aysgarth and Leyburn for drinks, then moved onto Masham for lunch in the market square. The rain kept away but there were plenty of puddles on route to keep the group on their toes, high winds also set in during the afternoon session. From Masham the group split up with 2 riders returning on the same route home, the other riders returned on the easterly route passing through Ripley and Pool. Five Norton's were present on the ride out and the only incident occurred when one of the Commando's ran out of fuel 3 miles from home, the riders wife rescued him with a can of petrol! 118 miles were covered on the day.

The next branch ride out will be on Saturday 25th May, the destination will be the East Coast. Meet at the Greggs car park on the east bound A64 (formally the Little Chef) in the Tadcaster area at 10.00am for a 10.30am prompt start.

4. Treasurers report (Peter Holland)

It is estimated that the branch funds now stand at £400 as the treasurer was away on holiday.

5. Any Other Business (Russ Ward)

Leeds city council have a website where pot holes can be reported, it was stated that once reported the council then becomes responsible to ensure the hazard is dealt with appropriately. Members were encouraged to report pot holes on the system when seen.

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 14th May 2024.