

AGM and Branch Meeting Minutes – 12th November 2024

Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.

1. Chairman (Russ Ward)

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

2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)

Apologies for absence – Gary Standley, John Oldridge, Bob Nabozny and Barry Crosby.

Andy welcomed a new member to the meeting (Ian Bannister), Ian has an 850 Mk3 Commando and lives in the Shelf area.

The monthly meeting was also the branch 2024 AGM, no responses came forward regarding new nominations for any of the branch officers roles, as the existing officers (Andy Lodge, Russ Ward and Peter Holland) had stated that they were happy to continue in their roles if no new volunteers came forward, the existing officers were re-elected to their positions.

Thursday 19th September was the the third Thursday of the month day time meeting at Squires cafe, 7 branch members turned up on their bikes on the day that was blessed with sunshine after lunchtime. The October 3rd Thursday meeting occurred on 17th October and 5 bikes attended the meet up that was again held in good weather, this was the same day as the East Yorks Quiz night.

The East Yorkshire branch hosted their annual quiz night on Thursday 17th October with the Nottinghamshire and Yorkshire branches being invited to compete at the Bowmans Hotel in Howden, two teams from each branch competed in the quiz and the Yorkshire branch came out on top taking the top two places. Steve Webster (multiple sidecar world champion) was the special quest and he had photo's taken with our winning team. The evening was good fun and thanks go out to Harry, Malcolm and team for their efforts to make the quiz evening another success.

The branch Christmas party event has been booked for 23 people at the Cedar Court Hotel, Bradford on 13/12/24. The timings are 6.30pm start where an all inclusive Bar opens up to 7.15pm (House wine by the glass, prosecco, selected lager or soft drinks. Only one drink per person allowed at one time), at 7.30pm a 2 Course Meal is served then for the rest of the evening festive novelties and DJ entertainment are provided. The evening concludes at 1.00am. Dress code - Smart casual.

NOC 2025 Calendars – 10 orders for calendars were taken on the night, Andy has placed an order with the NOC at the discounted price of \pounds 5 per calendar. These will be supplied in time for distribution at our December meeting.

The Bristol Branch may be hosting the 2025 NOC National Rally, they are proposing to hold the event at the Keynsham rugby club between the 4th and 6th July, apparently this has been the location of an NOC rally in the past.

Ian Jayne has visited Barrie Blayney who has now been diagnosed with vascular Alzheimer's disease, Ian reports that he's quite fit but still just sits in his chair and that his memory is poor.

3. Ride Outs 2024 (Andy Lodge)

The last scheduled ride out for the year should have occurred on Sunday 15th September, the destinations was going to be the Snaith Bike Day, 7 riders met at Squires Cafe but due to the rain falling the riders stopped in the cafe and made their way home after deciding it was too wet to continue.

4. Treasurers report (Peter Holland)

Peter reported that the branch funds stand at £584. Peter confirmed that the claim for the branch attendance at the Hebden Bridge Vintage Weekend for the sum of £100 has been paid by the NOC.

5. Any Other Business (Andy Lodge)

Don brought some branch logo branded baseball caps to the meeting which had been ordered by members, Don paid £18 to the supplier in addition to the price of the caps (which has not yet been set) for the artwork used on other garments to be made smaller to fit onto the caps. Don was reimbursed for this expense by the club treasurer on the evening.

Nigel gave out some small flexible funnels which were surplus to requirements, these were originally intended for medical purposes!

Peter Holland was congratulated on his recent articles published in Roadholder and the Real Classics magazine, both were well written and entertaining.

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 10th December 2024.