



## **Branch Meeting Minutes 11th March 2025**

### **Venue – The Marsh, Pudsey.**

#### **1. Chairman (Russ Ward)**

Russ welcomed all 17 attendees then opened the meeting at 8.30 pm.

#### **2. Secretary (Andy Lodge)**

Apologies for absence – Ian Bannister, Bruce Senior and Barry Crosby.

A new branch member attended the meeting for the first time, Eddy Hill from Huddersfield introduced himself to the the group, Eddy has a 1972 750 Combat Commando that he's owned for approximately 40 years, but the bike has been 'in bits' for the last 37 years! Eddy's in the process of restoring the Commando but plans to take it to Bridlington this year to compete in the sand races prior to completing the restoration.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February was the the third Thursday of the month day time meeting at Squires cafe, 6 branch members turned up (5 on their bikes), the temperature was much warmer than our January meeting, so it was a nice day for a ride (if you got home before the afternoon downpour!). Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am will be the next time we meet.

The NOC AGM and Branch Secretaries Meeting is taking place on 5th/6th April 2025 at the Gaydon Motor Museum.

The branch has now confirmed our attendance at the Hebden Bridge Vintage weekend on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. A double pitch has been reserved at a cost of £70.74. Andy has been in touch with the organisers who have confirmed they are happy with the same arrangements as last year (10 free admissions for those displaying their Norton's along with our double pitch being close to the general motorcycle display area).

Peter Holland has returned from Valencia, Spain after helping Martin Bernert to put things back in order after the recent storm that caused Martin's workshop containing 13 Norton's to flood. Peter spent a lot of the 2-weeks putting a Model 50 back together. Peter is going to do a write up that will be circulated to members.

### **3. Ride Outs 2025 (Andy Lodge)**

Sunday 13th April - Yorkshire Dales ride out (Tan Hill, weather permitting)

Meet at the CO-OP fuel station which is next to the Kildwick roundabout (on the A629 between Keighley and Skipton), at 10.00am for a 10.30am prompt start. Note if the weather is bad on the day the ride out would be cancelled

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

Peter reported that the branch funds stand at £630, but a cheque for £70 has been issued to cover the pitch costs at the Hebden Bridge Vintage Weekend in August, so this means the balance will be £560.

### **5. Any Other Business (Andy Lodge)**

Phil Robertson explained that he's setting up a business in Pudsey where he's going to offer his services servicing classic and modern bikes, completing restorations, suspension work, etc. As more details become available these will be circulated to members.

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 8th April 2025.