

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 21st January 2020



Present: 46 members plus 6 guests

1	Welcome and Apologies
	<p>Mike Suggitt, Chairman of the 2019 Group Committee opened the meeting at 8:15 pm, welcomed members and guests and thanked them for their attendance.</p> <p>Apologies were received from a number of members.</p>
2	2019 Chairman's Address
	<p>Mike opened his remarks with an apology from the Group President, Kevin Sharp. Kevin was unable to attend the meeting because of a serious family matter.</p> <p>Mike spoke of Group activity during 2019, making particular mention of the contribution made by Group tutors and committee members. He thanked the 2019 committee for their support and hard work.</p> <p>Mike also thanked Martin Jones for successfully taking over the editorship and production of Torque magazine, turning it into an interesting and varied electronic publication.</p>
3	Treasurer's Report
	<p>Peter Stirk presented the accounts for 2019 and drew attention to the very healthy balance and reserves. He said that the increased balance was to some extent the result of no longer paying for printing of Torque magazine.</p> <p>Proposed by Allan Wragg and seconded by Jon Taylor that the accounts be approved. Carried.</p>
4	Secretary's Report
	<p>For his last report as Group Secretary, Allan Wragg looked back over a few of the events of the last six years as well as informing the meeting of the very healthy position of Group membership.</p>
5	Car Training Officer's Report
	<p>Mike Bell spoke about a successful year for the car section with continued achievement of quality advanced driving passes as a result of the dedication displayed by the Group car tutors.</p>
6	Motorcycle Training Officer's Report
	<p>In the absence of Pete Fenlon, Colin Clark read a report provided by Pete ... again. As well as outlining motorcycle activities and achievements during 2019, Colin paid tribute to Pete Fenlon's commitment to his rôle as Motorcycle Training Officer citing his taking the time to provide a report for the meeting even though he is out of the country.</p>
7	President's Address and Dissolution of the 2019 Committee
	<p>In Kevin's absence, Mike Suggitt spoke of Kevin's continued support for the Group and extended the heartfelt best wishes of the meeting and of the Group to him. Mike thanked the outgoing Committee for their service and formally dissolved the 2019 Committee.</p>
8	Nomination and Election of the Chairman and Officers for the 2020 Committee
	<p>Mike Suggitt announced the nominations and gave details of proposers and seconders:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Chairman – Mike Suggitt; Secretary – Nigel Storey; Treasurer – Peter Stirk;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Car Training Officer – Mike Bell; Motorcycle Training Officer – Pete Fenlon.</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p>

9	Nomination and Election of Members for the 2020 Committee
	<p>Mike Suggitt read the nominations for Members of the Committee, noting that it was pleasing to see new names listed and in particular a return of female representation, and gave details of proposers and seconders:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Jon Taylor; Rob Hall; Andy Twaites; Dave Green; Tony Baker; Richard Hirst; Andy Richardson; Sue Speight.</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p>
10	Address by the 2020 Chairman
	<p>Mike spoke of the varied programme and events already prepared for the coming year. He invited all present to enjoy the buffet, tea and coffee whilst getting to know fellow members better.</p>
12	Any Other Business
	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:05 pm.</p>