

Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 17th January 2023.



Present: 34 members plus 4 guests

1	Welcome, Apologies and Minutes
	<p>Mike Suggitt, Chairman of the 2022 Group Committee opened the meeting at 8:20pm, welcomed members and guests (especially those from RoADAR HQ) and thanked them for their attendance.</p> <p>Apologies were received from a number of members.</p> <p>An AGM handout was made available to all.</p>
2	2022 Chairman's Address
	<p>Mike Suggitt outlined something of his route into joining the group (via his essential motorcycle commute and IAM) and then becoming chair. The group only a short time ago was car only and he's pleased that the motorcycle group has flourished and is now an integral part of the group.</p> <p>Covid clearly caused great disruption to meetings, but motorcycle training was recommenced as soon as possible, with car similarly.</p> <p>We recently achieved reaccreditation with RoADAR HQ.</p> <p>He is sure the new committee under the chair of Jon will continue to do the good work and he wishes them all the best.</p>
3	Treasurer's Report
	<p>Peter drew upon the printed financial figures in the handout available to explain that last year's expenditure was greater than income (income was fairly stable).</p> <p>Extra expenditure this year involved equipping members with the new Highway Code, expenses for Bike tutors (pre course tests etc) and tutor training fees- a course was delivered to them.</p> <p>Next year it is expected we would break even despite increased overall hall fees (as we are back to having more group meetings) We have good reserves.</p> <p>The account's approval was proposed by Andy Richardson and seconded by Martin Jones. This was accepted by all the meeting.</p>
4	Secretary's Report
	<p>Nigel outlined activities to support the committee in their work and managing administration aspect of the group's operation- helping keeping roads safer places.</p> <p>His recent contact to all regarding subscriptions used Mailchimp (email) system, but contact was maintained with those who have no email address.</p> <p>The membership numbers in the AGM handout were confirmed whilst pointing out that overall numbers remain largely static with new members equating those who do not renew.</p> <p>Prospective members come via a variety of routes from online, phone, and personal contact with our members' enthusiasm for our values.</p> <p>Non-essential communications (i.e. over and above legitimate) are encouraged to allow more to benefit from member group meeting communication and Torque.</p>
5	Car Training Officer's Report
	<p>Mike Bell has managed the car group since 2012 and reminded us that last year had been quite different with 9 to 10 months of no training being allowed. Covid restrictions have only just been relaxed in his ambulance (work) environment to remind us it is still here.</p> <p>The restrictions on training were also reflected in similar for tests which explains why test dates did at one point have a delay/ lead time of 3 months. Mike is pleased to say that this seems to be relaxing.</p>

	<p>We are very rich with tutors by having 15, but despite this some members did take tests independently- it is hoped those who may have therefore dropped a grade would seek to recover- he reminded all that we do not have to wait 3 years for a retest.</p> <p>Mike thanked the leaving chair for keeping the group going in the right direction.</p>
6	Motorcycle Training Officer's Report
	<p>Richard explained he took over from Pete Fenlon during the pandemic after shadowing him for some time. Working from home was beneficial in giving time to coordinate motorcycle training, but sadly as work now demands more travel, he is handing over to Dave (Green).</p> <p>Never the less he is pleased to highlight activities of the group involving 2 open training sessions per month, several social rides (which were well attended and gave experience to many who had limited exposure to group riding). Some of these residential were over a weekend.</p> <p>Test results through the year have been very good with additionally adding 5 tutors to the tutors' team.</p> <p>With Dave's help a slow riding course was also organised and taught.</p> <p>All this was only possible with a great team of motorcycle tutors with his thanks being given to them and others closer to helping with detail behind the scenes.</p> <p>He then outlined his route through advanced motorcycling which included Bikesafe which he hopes might be re-started and then thanked all for the support given to him in 2022</p>
7	Vote of thanks for 2022 Committee
	<p>Kevin recognised that there are a few new members with us this evening and he reminded them that this is a good time to pick brains and take advantage of all the free training hours. A good Yorkshire "Owt for Nowt" philosophy.</p> <p>It's hard to quantify how many accidents we have helped prevent. Many times it was Kevin's work with traffic police and knowledge of Roadcraft that kept him out of trouble.</p>
8	President's Address and Dissolution of the 2022 Committee
	<p>Kevin thanked the 2022 committee and formally dissolved it.</p>
9	Nomination and Election of the Chairman and Officers for the 2023 Committee
	<p>Jon announced the nominations and gave details of proposers and seconders for the committee as detailed in the handout.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Chairman – Jon Taylor; Secretary – Nigel Storey; Treasurer – Peter Stirk; Car Training Officer – Mike Bell; Motorcycle Training Officer – Dave Green</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p>
10	Nomination and Election of Members for the 2022 Committee
	<p>Jon read the nominations for Members of the Committee and gave details of proposers and seconders as detailed in the handout.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Rob Hall; Andy Twaites, Peter Fenlon, Martin Jones, Steve Harker Andy Richardson, Bob Everick, Lee Wilson</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p>
11	Address by the 2023 Chairman
	<p>Jon thanked Mike Suggitt for his commitment to the group and mused at his (Jon's) rapid promotion from tea boy to chair.</p> <p>He reminded us that Mike had done a splendid job of running and keeping us all together for 9 years especially recognising car and bike users of the road.</p> <p>We are a strong group. It's the skill of individuals that brings things together.</p> <p>A big thank you for everyone's hard work and we are encouraged to help spread the word.</p> <p>He invited all present to enjoy the refreshments whilst getting to know fellow members better.</p>
12	Any Other Business
	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15pm.</p>

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