

Southern Region MAG

AGM 9th NOVEMBER 2013 Meeting Minutes

- The AGM of the Southern Region MAG was held at THE CHURCHILLIAN PH PORTSDOWN HILL and was opened at 19:00 hours by Rep TIM PEREGRINE.
- See separate list for members present.
- Apologies from:- Chris LUXTON (Salisbury), Hannah and Dock, and Ed GILLIES (Southampton) Ed from NEW FOREST MAG, Lee, Rob, Kit, Captain from WINCHESTER Bandit from PORTSMOUTH, Phil JENNINGS and Simon WAY from ISLE OF WIGHT.
- Minutes of the 2012 Southern Region MAG AGM were unanimously approved as distributed. Approval proposed by Jim DYSON and seconded by John BAKER.
- **ANNUAL REPORT FROM OFFICERS Regional reps report**:- As a brief summary, Membership in the Southern Region is up by 5%.
Hampshire Council have invited MAG to sit in on SAFETY PLANNING MEETINGS, cyclist and horse riders have historically been included in these meetings, it is new for Motorcyclist to be consulted.
SALISBURY MAG were reported to have a strong relationship with SALISBURY Council over Bike Parking. The City Council are keen for SALISBURY to hold a bike show in the City Centre / Market Square.
The purchase of the New MAG gazebo which was approved in the last AGM was realized and has been successfully used in shows throughout the summer with its debut at the PORTSMOUTH MAG BIKE SHOW at PORT SOLENT. A thank you from Tim to those organizing the order and collection of the new gazebo. The older gazebo and the trailer in which it is stored is to be passed onto the ISLE OF WIGHT MAG.
The reduced membership price for under 25s has been taken up by one member in the PORTSMOUTH area.
The Mailman facility is up and running and facilitating communications with members, individuals are encouraged to use this. It is recognised that less formal communication is facilitated through individual MAG facebook groups and reports of events in THE ROAD magazine.

GROUPS:-

- **SOUTHAMPTON MAG** had another successful show at STONEHAM this year. Their next show will be on 8th June 2014. The group continues to ensure that MAG are represented in a wide variety of events.
- **PORTSMOUTH MAG** Group have made a good start and membership numbers have been kept - Their Launch meeting took place in MAY and a bike show was held at PORTSOLENT in July. A new group badge has been designed.
- **NEW FOREST MAG** has started and membership is growing.
- **BASINGSTOKE MAG** numbers are still very low and ideas are needed for how to reinvigorate the group.
- **SALISBURY MAG** has hosted the Regional activist THINK TANK which has allowed that regional team and other interested members to get together to discuss various aspects and how to approach different issues and as mentioned above has developed good relations with the City Council and maintaining pressure for them to fulfil their commitment to providing secure bike parking as part of a City Centre redevelopment. The Salisbury Spring bike show is likely to take place in the City Centre Market Square rather than in the Cattle Market.
- **WINCHESTER MAG** attendance numbers are low however as a group has put forward an initial proposal to host the 2015 AGC at the WINCHESTER RUGBY CLUB.
- **ISLE OF WIGHT MAG** were not represented at the meeting but apologies were given, they have continued to engage closely with Royal British Legion Riders and planning a Wightona event and Absent Friends Ride in 2014
- **Issues:** The SUPER MOT and Roadworthiness testing are still issues to face MAG in the future.
Tim then asked members to speak to their representatives if they want any matters raising and that regional rep's meetings were held monthly. Points raised at the regional meeting are then taken to Central.
- **Other Officer's reports**
Products - VICKI GILES - A trailer has been donated and this now houses the new gazebo. There is to be a products SALE at the beginning of the season and new products will then be ordered in. MAG in a box has been made up for each group. PORTSMOUTH

GROUP has a new woven badge that is available for sale.

- **I.T. - MARK YOUNG** - 6 websites managed for MAG by Mark this includes the central website. He has also been involved in setting up and managing MAILMAN. Tom has taken on the management of the SOUTHAMPTON MAG website. Mark said that he is very happy for sites to be managed locally and said that if any member had an event which they wanted advertising he requested that they were sent to him and that he would post them. Tracey is involved in MAG UK FACEBOOK PAGE - Mark made a request that events are publicised, FACEBOOK being a popular media currently. 12,000 people currently see the MAG FACEBOOK PAGE and as an example of the power of facebook Mark said that the DIESEL SPILLS POSTER got 166,000 views. The bike show in ILFRACOMBE was advertised on FACEBOOK, the show had attendees from considerable distances due to riders seeing the event advertised on FACEBOOK.

- **TREASURER'S REPORT - Nick** - reported that as a region we are solvent and thanked members for all the hard work in fund raising over the past year. He reported that some of the big National fund raisers during the year 2012 - 2013 had not been as profitable as in previous years so that the local fund raising achievements are of particular importance. Over the course of the year SOUTHERN REGION have taken £4,633.57 in donations and paid out £3728.66 with the most notable expense being the new gazebo costing £1483.56

Group donations in alphabetical order are as follows:-

BASINGSTOKE - £324.67

PORTSMOUTH - £500.00

SALISBURY - £2400.00

SOUTHAMPTON - £ 1130.00

WINCHESTER £100.00 + £150.00

£78.90 miscellaneous donations - i.e. collection made during the FRED HILL RUN - otherwise known as "THE SOGGIEST FRED HILL RUN IN YEARS" .

So far £2,045.10 has been donated to the fighting fund with £200.00 incurred in expenses. The target had been to donate £3,500.00.

The Current balance in the regional account is £1,712.91

REPS were asked to complete and return account details to ensure that records are fully up to date.

- **CURRENT COMMITTEE STAND DOWN** - The current committee stood down from their posts prior to the election of the new committee - NC OBSERVER Tracey SMITH (SW Regional rep) takes over the meeting to conduct the election.

- **ELECTION OF THE NEW COMMITTEE** - The results of the election are as follows:

Post	Standing	Proposed	Seconded	Votes
Rep	Tim Peregrine	Vicki Giles	Jim Dyson	Unanimous
Dep Rep	John Baker	John Whitehead	Keith Lovelock	Unanimous
Treasurer	Nick Hancock	Robert Vincent		Unanimous
Secretary	Anna Whitehead	John Baker	Vicki Giles	Unanimous
Political Officer	<i>Vacant</i>			
Club Liaison	Chris Luxton	Mark Young	Jim Dyson	Unanimous
Products Officer	Vicki Giles		John Whitehead	Unanimous
IT Officer	Mark Young	Guns	Rose Neale	Unanimous
Dealer Liaison	Jim Dyson		Vicki Giles	Unanimous

- **HAND OVER TO THE NEW REP**

Tim took over the meeting and thanked TRACEY SMITH

- **AWARDS**

Rose from SOUTHAMPTON MAG brought along a new award - This is to be presented to 125 riders who *put* in the miles in support of MAG. Please let Regional reps know nominations for worthy recipients of this award.

- i. The GARETH AWARD - Awarded to the KLUTZ of the year for having the most unfortunate bike related incident of the year. TOM won the prize for an unfortunate incident with his kill switch. He had knocked it whilst adjusting his mirror. On finding that he could not *restart* his engine, called out the AA who were happy to point out the problem. This is the second year in a row that TOM has been awarded this trophy! - (TOM had the trophy engraved *on* the day of the meeting!)
- ii. The GROUP AWARD - To be awarded to a group in the REGION.
The PORTSMOUTH GROUP was voted for unanimously
- iii. The REGIONAL AWARD: Awarded to a deserving individual or group.
A unanimous vote for JOHN WHITEHEAD who has been steering the PORTSMOUTH GROUP as DEP REP due to REP'S absence and has put on a successful Motorbike Show at PORT SOLENT
- iv. PISTON BROKE AWARD: Awarded to the most supportive landlord.
A unanimous vote for JIM at the BOLD FORESTER.
- v. REPS AWARD: Decided on by the Regional Rep.
Tim is awarding this to JEFF 'TROOPER' for his suggestion of PORT SOLENT as a venue for the BIKE SHOW and for finding out if this would be possible as well as his efforts in securing raffle prizes for the bike show.

- **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

REMEMBRANCE RUN led by JOHN BAKER, a reminder of THE MARY ROSE RUN, THE FRED HILL RUN and a request for volunteers to marshal at MAG events.

- **Setting the Date of the next AGM.**

This is to be discussed within individual groups. It can be any time up to 15 months away.