

Regional AGM at The Angel, Alton, Nov 14th 2015, Opened 16:07

Welcome (or not from the Angel)

Tim Poole & Deb are NC observers from South West Region.

A minutes silence was held in remembrance for friends no longer with us.

PLEASE NOTE -

These minutes are provisional Annual General Meeting Notes.
Official minutes will follow when ratified.

Apologies - None proferred

Present - See attendees list

1) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous AGM were unanimously approved as distributed.
(Approval proposed by Jim Dyson., seconded by JC.)

2) Regional Rep's report.

Mag is growing fast. Leon and Lembit are representing us well at the political level. Mag is run by volunteers. MAG's Structure was explained, Local groups, Regional, National, & NC. Central office is an administrative function run by two staff members. MAG is volunteer led. There are national officers and directors to run the business side of the organisation. Anyone with skills who is interested in volunteering, either as officer or director can do so. Anyone standing for director must put in a manifesto by end of December.

The AGC is being held in Barnsley next April, where members can stand for national office. The AGC is hosted by a local group. A tender needs to be put in to host this function, and is voted on by the NC.

The regional rep thanked members for attending, and officers for their work in the region.

Mag has become involved now in local Road Safety fora on Hampshire CC safety groups. Hampshire County Council see MAG as a valuable interested party.

Two years ago the Region invested in a new strong gazebo which is held in a trailer, and is used to attend many of our local events, helping to raise awareness of MAG.

John Baker sits on Southern HCC Road Safety forum, and Tim attends the Central forum.

Tim Peregrine has observed at other local regional AGMs. Tim has attended many other organisation events, including a national Scooter rally. Vespa and Lambretta clubs are looking to affiliate to MAG.

In Southampton - Balfour Beatty have engaged with Southampton MAG on parking issues. Another issue in Southampton is an increasing use of Armadillos to separate cyclist and other traffic lanes.

At a national level, there is a document "Pathways to Progress" with five key objectives which we can use when contacting local authorities. Also available are powerpoint presentations. Road furniture affecting road safety, Bikes in bus lanes, Parking facilities, Consideration to the same level as that given to cyclists, Local authorities need to be pressured to appoint a motorcycling officer, in the same way as they have cycling and pedestrian officers.

Numbers of memberships locally are down, but those there are still very active.

Salisbury have had great success with their show.

Four Marks are showing interest in a possible group.

Locally, we need to particularly have a drive on new memberships.

3) Deputy Rep's report

John has spent a lot of time supporting Tim as Rep, and kept in touch with local groups. Has been leading out many runs and attending local events. His local group is Portsmouth, and has acted for a while as treasurer there.

He has enjoyed meeting up with Groups outside and in the region.

He received £165 from the winding up of The New Forest MAG and handed it over to the Regional Treasurer.

Attended remembrance service in Portsmouth where a wreath was laid on behalf of MAG.

Attending HCC Southern Road Safety forum.

4) Treasurer's report

Regional have been sending funds up to Central on a quarterly basis - £1500 has been sent to the fighting fund.

Funds received from the local groups:

Basingstoke £164

Portsmouth £292

Salisbury £500

Southampton £500

Winchester £150

Regional funds stand at £2024.98

Nick proposed to send £1000 to the fighting fund at Central. Tim P seconded.

Central monetary situation is now very stable.

Tim mentioned about directorship elections at the next AGC. If anyone wants to stand will help with manifestos.

5) Products Officer's report

Apologies for shortage of report. Vicki is still fighting with suppliers to obtain some items. Financial details to follow. More boxes for leaflets are needed.

6) IT Officer's report

Mark appealed for anyone with local events to let him know so he could publicise on the web-sites. Listed duties undertaken during the year as keeping group meetings and contacts up to date on local, regional, national web-sites and in our magazine The Road. Also maintaining trailer diary and local, regional and regional officers mailing lists.

Ongoing updates of the Regional, Basingstoke, Salisbury, Winchester and Portsmouth web-sites for any important events or other relevant information.

Also recently taken over Southampton web-site, and learning how to use it.

Given IT advice to anyone in region who required it.

Dealt with Basingstoke web-site hack, and got it back to normal within an hour of finding out.

Posting out reminders for regional and local AGMs.

7) Dealer Liaison report

Jim is still enthusiastic and enjoys doing this job. Jim been getting around to dealers even more, and is willing to continue if elected.

8) Local Reps reports

Basingstoke - Have recently done a run out on the Ring of Red. They have restructured their meetings to fortnightly. They had a stand at the Royal British Legion event and signed up 3 new members. Michael thanked JC & Vicki for help with stand at the Festival. Some new faces have been turning up to meetings. Michael has received an email from a group of voluntary Basingstoke organisations asking MAG to attend meeting to support them. Toy run coming up on 12th Dec.

Salisbury - Still here! Haven't been able to be quite so active, but with support from Nick are managing to keep going. Show in Square attracted 5-6000 bikes and went well. Seems to have raised awareness, but on the downside has increased risks. Financially it is a risk, but it has been worthwhile. Having another go next year. The show is run by 5 or 6 dedicated members. The Council are getting cautious, because of the show size, and need risk assessments, and at least 20 marshals (Some trained) will be required. New bus lane in the pipeline.

Southampton - Attended a large number of events, and tried to get at least a couple of members to each. Had a good year, with new events and venues. Some praise to a very helpful new member which helps spread the load. Planning the events for the next year. Have been asked to take part in a new event next year because 3rd party likes what they see.

Portsmouth - A PCC councillor membership lapsed, but has now renewed - He contacted Portsmouth MAG re the proposal to reduce MC parking in Portsmouth run car parks. The Councillor has objected.

Winchester - Still trying to recruit new members. Difficult area in getting members, but those we have are very loyal & dedicated. Need to find a new venue for next year's bike show.

Break -----

9) Current committee stand down

The current committee stands down from their posts prior to the election of the new committee. Tim Poole (NC observer) takes the reins to conduct the election.

10) Election of new committee

The results of the election follow:

Post	Standing	Votes
Rep	Tim Peregrine	Not contested
Dep Rep	John Baker	Not contested
Treasurer	Nick Hancock	Not contested
Secretary	Vacant	
Political Officer	Vacant	
Clubs Liaison	Vacant	
Products Officer	Vicki Giles	Not contested
IT Officer	Mark Young	Not contested
Dealer Liaison	Jim Dyson	Not contested

11) Hand back reins of meeting to re-elected Rep.

AOB - Raffle being run, and products on sale. Proceeds from raffle to fighting fund. Thanks for winding up New Forest MAG for providing some of the raffle prizes. JC Vote of thanks to regional team for efforts over last year.

12) Awards -

Dougie Nugent 125 rider for efforts to MAG. (Award not present)

Paula nominated by JC, seconded by Rose Saunders.

Sophie nominated by Fin, Nick seconded. Sophie has been working as Salisbury Treasurer and events organiser.

Vote: Paula won the vote

Gareth award - Klutz of the year

Rikki nominated Anna Whitehead who dropped bike and broke her leg.

Shortly after getting better she has now dropped the bike and injured her foot.

Seconded by JC

Carried

Group award - To group of the year (Trophy disappeared in IOW)

JC proposed Winchester, John Baker seconded.

Carried.

Regional award - Nominations:

JC

John Whitehead

Finbar Colson

Vote: JC won the award for all his efforts with the trailer, gazebo & products.

Piston broke - Landlord of the year - Permanently with Bold Forresters, but a new trophy to be created.

Fin Colson proposed Jane at the Three Crowns at Whaddon, Seconded by Mark Young.

Jim Dyson proposed Colin at the Fox & Hounds at Fair Oak, Seconded by JC

Vote: won by Fox & Hounds 8:6

Reps award - Decided by Rep.

Difficult decision. A group started up and folded within the year.

Awarded to Mark Young

13) Setting date of next AGM

Next regional AGM will be September 24th 2016 at 15:00 proposed by John Whitehead and seconded by Fin Colson 2016. Venue TBA

Carried

14) AOB

Donation from Winchester - £250.

£41 raised from raffle & donations.

Closed 17:43