



VMCC Cotswold Section - Minutes of 69th Annual General Meeting held at Churchdown Club at 7.45 pm on Wednesday 23 October 2024

Members Present:-

Peter Whitestone, Graham Rowcliffe, Rob Rendell, Ken Hill, Brian Keeling, Peter Butcher, Mark Bradley, Tom Harris, Roger Bassil, Mike Borrie, Peter Kent, Will Craswell, Adrian Shawcross, Steve Trant, Gwyn Jones, John Donovan, Glenn Simpson, Bill Black, Pete Cole & Roy Plowman

1. Chairman's Welcome
 - 1.1 Mark welcomed all of the members present and thanked them for attending
2. Apologies
 - 2.1 Apologies received from:- Dennis Beale, Chris Roberts and Chris Day
3. Remembrance of past members
 - 3.1 A moment of reflection was taken to remember Brian Greening
4. Minutes of 68th AGM
 - 4.1 Approved
5. Matters arising not covered by other agenda items
 - 5.1 None
6. Treasurer's report
 - 6.1 Treasurer issued a summary of the 2023-24 accounts. The bank balance stands at £6,210.47 and shows an operating deficit of £681.90 on the year.
The presentation diner over spent by £399.80
The Felix Burke overspent by £52.66
The Sign Post Rally over spent by £57.94
The over spend on general operating expenses was £171.50
The meeting was reminded that it had been agreed to gently run down our account by providing subsidies and such over a period of time. It was agreed that the committee will continue to regularly

monitor the account to ensure sufficient funds are held.

All of our banking is now done electronically and the method of accounting is now by means of an active spreadsheet. This means that as Treasurer I am able to present to the committee each month our current bank balance and a draft account on our operating costs.

6.2 A full set of the accounts for 2023/24 will be passed to Brian Keeling for checking.

6.3 A donation of £50 is to be made to the Headway Charity following the sale of the effects of a deceased VMCC member.

7. Programme Secretary's Report

7.1 Mike is hoping to be able to have 1 event each month throughout the winter season. A request was made for members to help out this by offering to do talks to the membership.
Mike is still hoping to generate sufficient interest to arrange a trip to the Triumph factory and also to BSA.
MAC Motorcycles have been contacted and they are keen to pay us another visit as soon as they have finished their programme of testing.

8. Chairman's Report

8.1 Mark reviewed the past years activities.
The presentation dinner was very much enjoyed by all those who attended. However, consideration is to be given to whether we continue with the same format or look at a different style of event. This will be reviewed by the committee at the next meeting.
The Felix Burke was a great success again with approximately 100 entrants, thanks go to all who helped organise it; do the marshalling and to Brian for the social run. It is confirmed that Jonathan Hogg will be the FB secretary for 2025 with the support of officers and committee.
Graham has now retired from the catering business which means for next year we will have to use outside caterers. (See item in AOB regarding the provision of food stuffs)
The Sign post attracted 30/40 entrants and went off very well and thanks to the organising team.
We held a motto gymkhana event at Peter Whitestone's place. It was a fantastic event and was enjoyed by all those who attended. It is a great shame that so few of our members supported it so it is very unlikely we will do another. Thanks go to Peter and his family for their generosity and incredible amount of work they put into it.
Finally thanks to Brian for running his Thursday café ride outs, details of the rides are published in Rob's emails together with the web page and Face Book.

9. Election of Temporary Chairman

9.1 By mutual agreement Graham took the chair for the election of the new Chairman.

10. Election of Officers and Committee Members for 2023/24

10.1

Post	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded	Elected
Chairman	Mark Bradley	Roy Ploughman	Brian Keeling	Unanimous
Vice Chairman	Graham Rowcliffe	Mark Bradley	Mike Borrie	Unanimous
Secretary	Ken Hill	Peter Butcher	Mark Bradley	Unanimous
Treasurer	Ken Hill	Peter Butcher	Mark Bradley	Unanimous
Programme Secretary	Mike Borrie	Brian Keeling	John Donovan	Unanimous
Awards Secretary	Tom Harris	Ken Hill	Mark Bradley	Unanimous
Committee	Peter Butcher Brian Keeling Rob Rendell Adrian Shawcross Peter Whitestone			Unanimously Elected En bloc

10.2 Tom was going to stand down this year but in the absence of a volunteer he has agreed to carry on.

11. Appointment of Club Captain 2023-2024

11.1 Peter Cole was proposed by Mark Bradley and seconded by Brian Keeling. Peter was duly appointed to the role.

12. Appointment of Cotswold Section Webmaster

12.1 Roger Bassil has agreed to continue as Web Master

13. Appointment of coordinator for Cotswold Section Mid-week Rallies 2023/24

13.1 Graham Rowcliffe was proposed by Rob Rendell and seconded by Mark Bradley; unanimously elected

14. Appointment of coordinator for Cotswold Section Sunday mid-day

meetings 2023/24

- 14.1 Peter Kent has again agreed to continue in this role. Many thanks for all of your efforts to date.
- 15. Appointment of Cotswold Section Accounts Examiner 2023/24
- 15.1 It was unanimously agreed for Brian Keeling to carry out this task.
- 16. Nominated Charities for 2024/25
- 16.1 Agreed that we will continue to support Headway as our nominated charity
- 17. Any Other Business
- 17.1 Peter Kent informed the meeting that the VMCC has LARA associate membership and is dealt with by the main organisation. A vote was held on the matter of LARA donations from the Felix Burke. It was agreed that a voluntary collection will be held at the village hall after the event.
- 17.2 A vote of thanks was given to Rob Rendell for his email newsletters.
- 17.3 Roger Bassil has some ideas on how we can engage with the members that come within the Cotswold Section area. A separate meeting is to be held next week to discuss.
- 18. The meeting Closed at 9.30 pm