



Leeds MAG AGM

1. Present

Richard Manny Manton, Kate Williams, Janet Smith, Sally Johnson, Chris Wallis, Marcus Houlden, Simon Binns, Martin Smith, Mik Rhodes, Chris Pursey, John Nettleship, Gavin Weiner, Keith Maven, Helen Taylor, Julie Battye, Paul Battye, Loz Williams, Andy Foody, Dave Malt, Chris Mayoh, Steve Travis, Mark Ogley

RM opened the meeting and introduced Steve Travis as the Observer

2. Officers' Reports

Group Report

January, Leeds MAG AGM

February, Fred Hill Run and Valentines Party

April, Attendance at the AGC, Easter Egg Run

May, Marshalling at ITV and Demo ride from Squires and 40th party

June, Marshalling at FYP, Attendance at MAG 40th birthday in Blackpool

July, Comedy, Curry, Cupcakes

August, Yorkshire Pudding

September, Yorkshire MAG to t' Med

October, Yorkshire MAG AGM, Leeds MAG Halloween party

December, Toy run to Lineham Farm

Throughout the year, we've supported all the local clubs and other MAG branches, group numbers are stable and we're still keeping to the mantra of always having something in the pipeline which seems to be keeping the momentum going. We've also done a run of T-shirts which have sold well.

3. Officers Reports

Richard Manton (rep)

An enjoyable year, with lots of things achieved, both personally and with the group. The MAG work has kept me very busy but it's still good fun, it can be challenging to juggle work and MAG stuff, but support from both Kate and Martin especially have been invaluable. It has been heartening to see people coming up with new ideas for fundraising and promoting and thanks must go to Helen for the comedy night and Chris Pursey for the flyer idea to promote the group. We've attracted several new attendees which is great but it would be great to see new faces. Hopefully the flyers we have produced will bear fruit. Hopefully we can push on again in 2014 and keep a good mix of political work and social fun to keep things interesting. If re-elected I'll endeavour to make Leeds MAG a fun rewarding way for people to support riders rights.

Martin Smith (vice rep)

It's been a good crack being Manny's bitch!

Kate Williams (Treasurer)

Accounts are from October to September to bring it in line with Yorkshire requirements
Current balance £623, donation to Yorkshire to be organised
Comedy night and promotional leaflets to be funded from this
£1620 donations to Yorkshire from October 2012 to September 2013
Has enjoyed being Manny's money bitch

Dave Malt (MAP Liaison)

Were rallies attended? Yes!!

Keith Maven (Membership rep)

Nothing to report

Chris Wallis (Web Master)

Updated on a regular basis, if passwords for Yorkshire website are provided he will keep the events list at least up to date. The pothole link needs to be updated and Chris would like more pictures to be forwarded to him to load up, if you have any please see the link on the website.

There was a discussion about the motorcycle parking map, this hasn't been updated for some years and a more modern version could be produced, including photos of the parking spaces.

Chris Pursey (New rider rep)

Has looked at getting new members whether new riders or not, hoping the new leaflets will increase membership with a concerted efforts on ride outs and visiting etc. All new ideas and diverse input will keep it fresh and involve different people. Concerned that many people who attend MAG rallies aren't fully paid up members, with affiliate members from clubs not joining as full members. People who join should be congratulated and thanked. If everyone at the meeting got one person to join this year, then it would be great. MAG application form will go inside the new leaflets.

Helen Taylor (Club liaison)

Team Sober have agreed to affiliate. Helen has kept them up to date with events. Suggestion that a rep from each club could be encouraged to come along to the first MAG meeting of the month. Helen will compile a list of Leeds and Bradford clubs to make further contact.

Martin Smith (political officer)

Little has been coming through from central, wanting to hear more about what is going on in Europe. MAG is heavily involved with sorting FEMA out. More has been happening with local and UK campaigns. Ongoing is bikes in bus lanes for Leeds. Leon Manning is assisting with this, there is a link with a local MP, concern that the Tour de France will delay the issue.

John Nettleship (Press liaison)

Poised and ready for action!! Would like a little more direction from the rep. Action JN and RM to consider which events to pull together press releases for. Will gain advice to create a contacts list.

4. Goals and Missions

We seem to be doing the right things in so much as keeping the group active, but we need to keep sight of the fact that we are a political organisation and we could do with building better ties with the council and transport groups, This will be important to push the bus lane campaign.

We've got a full committee but when Manny delegates things out they need to get done. Happy to lead things but other people are needed to do a bit of the spade work. Manny needs help posterung as it is a 100+ round trip. Jan Smith to pull together a system for delegation at the next meeting. Mik Rhodes will do Bradford.

Always have something in the pipeline to keep up interest in the group. We've diversified with the comedy night, changed the Halloween party by not having a band and also trying a demo ride campover. Still need more ideas for events and fundraising.

4. Events 2014

Fred Hill Run 9th Feb

Valentines Comedy, Curry and Cupcakes 11th Feb

Easter Egg Run date tbc

Demo ride and campover 24th May

Ace Café ride tbc

Halloween Party 31st October

Plus attending as many rallies as possible, supporting all the other Yorkshire groups and anything we can make up as we go along!

5. Election of roles

Leeds MAG Rep

Richard Manton, proposed Paul Battye, seconded Dave Malt, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Vice Rep

Martin Smith, proposed Chris Wallis, seconded Kate Williams, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Treasurer

Kate Williams, proposed Jan Smith, seconded Chris Mayoh, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG MAP Liaison

Jan Smith, proposed Dave Malt, seconded Sally Johnson, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Membership Secretary

Chris Pursey, proposed Manny, seconded Martin Smith, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Web Officer

Chris Wallis, proposed Manny, seconded Paul Battye, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG New Rider Rep

Marcus Houlden, proposed Chris Wallis, seconded Helen Taylor, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Club Liaison

Helen Taylor proposed Chris Pursey, seconded Martin Smith, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Political Officer

Martin Smith, proposed Chris Wallis, seconded Paul Battye, vote: unanimous

Leeds MAG Press Liaison

John Nettleship, proposed Manny, seconded Keith Maven, vote: unanimous

6. Any other Business

No other business