## **Shropshire and Powys Advanced Riders**

## Minutes of Committee meeting 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019

	Item	Minutes	Actions
1	Attendance	Robin Padgett, Helen Parker, Ken Swinton, Bryan Murphy (left early), Tina Kelly, Stuart McMillan, Sally McMillan, Charles Bridgeman, Bill Croxon, Glyn Jones (arrived after start).	
2	Apologies	David Rogers, Mike Kinna, Stuart Edwards, Kevin Fletcher.	
3	Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising.	Stuart has liaised with the BMF and they can do an advertisement in the Rider Magazine or we could provide an article about the group. Stuart liaised with James Boyle re prices, 1/8 <sup>th</sup> page is £115.00, 50% discount for new customer and the rate could be fixed for 3 consecutive adverts. BMF also have their own in house design team who could assist with the advert at no additional charge. A discussion took place and it was decided not to advertise at this time but Stuart to speak with James regarding next year and also about an article for the magazine.	Stuart to speak to BMF.
		Charles stated why do we not advertise in parish newsletters? He was tasked with finding out the prices.	Charles to deal.
		Mike Kinna has sourced a Tail End Charlie vest and if the quality is okay he will get it printed up.	Mike to deal.
		Stuart said he would update on the Associates in his report.	
		No update from Kevin re Paul Collier and the joint advert.	Kevin to deal ASAP.
		Ken has updated the Meet and Greet posters. Two were produced for discussion and it was voted that the one with the blue banner at the top was the best. Committee members to print off as required and place in their local bike stops, cafes etc.	All to deal.
		Ken has had no additional responses regarding ride leaders since the last meeting.	
		Bill has not yet spoken to Amy at RoSPA re the RoSPA art work.	Bill to deal.

		Bill has sent the letter to North Wales graciously declining any further involvement in their intended bike section at this time.  The new A1 posters are now on wooden backing, thanks Bill (Mr measure twice cut once!).  Bill to be added to the members assisting on the Sunday at Bike4Life.	
		Stuart to take the trailer to Glyn's on Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April.	Stuart to deal.
		Kevin had sent an e-mail stating that the prices for advertising the Meet and Greet in the local papers were high. If necessary he would be prepared to sponsor the advert via his company Trotfield Windows. All agreed this would be okay.	Kevin to deal.
	Stuart said he would cover the members on the holding list in his report.		
		Wistanstow school have not been paid the money as yet for our stand at their event as we are awaiting a reply from Molly regarding details of who to pay.	
		Sally stated that from the newsletter she has received one name for help at the Meet and Greet, Alan Fowles, and one name for Weston Park, David Rogers.	
		It was agreed that Stuart was to buy the sand for the gazebo leg weights.	Stuart to deal. (Done)
4	Chairman	Bill had some leaflet holders, both wall mounted and free standing if people wished to take some as required to use at their local venues.	
		A discussion took place on the frequency of committee meetings. Bill proposed that they be bimonthly and the alternate months being used as a Tutor training evening. A question was asked would there be the commitment from the Tutors, who are not on the committee, for that frequency of meetings. It was decided to keep the committee meetings as they are at present and have a separate Tutor meeting on a quarterly basis.	Stuart and Bill to come up with dates etc.
		An e-mail needs to go to the Tutors asking for firm commitments to the Meet and Greet.	Stuart to deal.
5	Secretary	Snailbeach village hall has been booked for the AGM in October, for 4pm at a cost of £30.00. Help will be needed from people who are not engaged in the meeting for the teas, coffees etc or there may be none!	

		A ride leader is required for a shortened ride concluding at Snailbeach village hall.	
6	New RoSPA branding	It was agreed the new boards look smart.	
7	Bike4Life / Meet and Greet	We need committee members to indicate if they are prepared to commit to Bike4Life and the Meet and Greet. General members would be more than welcome to come and assist.  Bill is going to do a talk with Paul Collier at 10.30 for 15 minutes on Biker Down and 13.30 for an hour!	Sally to put in newsletter.
		Robin to contact Jo at Air Ambulance re setting up details.  A3 poster required for Bike4Life regarding our Meet and Greet. Stuart (big mouth!) said he would print one.	Stuart to print.
		Posters to be printed by committee members and distributed to locations that they know of.  Helen will take the trailer to Montford Bridge as Sally and Stuart are away. Stuart to take the	-
		trailer to Helen's.  Help will be required to staff the stand as the Tutors will be busy with assessed rides. The following are known of as of the meeting: Helen, Tina, Alan Fowles.	Stuart to deal. Stuart to e-mail Tutors.
		Kevin to check with Paul Collier are they doing a poster and also to liaise re a joint advert.	Kevin to deal.
8	Training Officer	Associates in training – 11  Holding list – 15  Active Tutors – 11  Inactive Tutors – 4 (Martin Powell, Simon Laithwaite (knee injury), Marion, Ken (ill health), David Lawson is marked as active and has two Associates allocated to him, however he has a shoulder injury and Stuart may need to reallocate the Associates.  Robin has now been signed off as a Tutor and RoSPA have stated that his certificate in on route to him. Robin has been allocated an Associate.  E-mails have been sent to members on the holding list.	

		Ben Amesbury – not contacted as he had recently said he did not have time and did not think he would this year.	
		David Bogan – no reply to email sent on 1 <sup>st</sup> May as yet. His renewal is due on the 1 <sup>st</sup> August and it is known that he has been undertaking training with an IAM group. It was felt that a renewal fee of £50.00 would be correct as he has made no effort to commence training with us or take his RoSPA advanced motorcycle test.	Stuart to contact nearer renewal date.
		Lois Breen – has indicated that she would like to recommence training.	
		Nigel Bright – wishes to start in May.	
		Geoff Fitchett – has had work done on his bike and wishes to start, however, he can only do occasional days. Stuart to contact.	Stuart to contact
		Chris Greenhalgh – email sent to address on our records. Reply from 'Sam' stating that Chris no longer worked for them and supplying an alternative email address. Further email sent, no reply.	
		Colin Hall – Has had an eye problem. He hopes to commence on Sundays after Easter. His renewal is due in July. Stuart to contact.	Stuart to contact.
		Stephen Kelly – Stephen was with Stu Wall and has indicated that he wishes to remain on the holding list. Renewal of £50.00 agreed.	
		Chris Taylor – had to delay tutoring due to ill health. He hopes to commence in May.	
		Stuart Belton – Bill has had no contact from Stuart for around 12 months. £50.00 renewal fee agreed.	
		Tina asked is there a way she can be told who is to pay £50.00 when their renewal is due? Stuart and Ken to sort some system or list that will do this. If Tina has any doubts she should contact Stuart for advice.	Stuart and Ken to deal.
		Mark Williams – Stuart to resend his details to Glyn.	Stuart to deal.
		Eby Chako – is booked to Howard but he is working away. Stuart to chase up.	Stuart to deal.
		Paul Salisbury – is on the waiting list and Stuart is considering allocating him to Stuart Wall.	Stuart to deal.
		We need a system that works, if a Tutor is having problems with an Associate they need to make contact with one of the senior Tutors so the matter can be dealt with. The Tutor calendar also needs to be used.	
9	Publicity	Sally asked if we should be attending the Big Breakfast at the Raven Café, Prees Heath. IAM were there, should we be? The clientele are probably more our target audience than	

		Wistanstow, we should be seen to be there. This was discussed, Bill proposed that next year we do not attend Wistanstow and attend the Big Breakfast instead. To do this we would require the date so we can liaise with the organisers.	Kevin to deal.
10	Treasurer	David sent close to the end of year accounts to Bill. £5500.00 in account which is £650.00 down from last year. The Tutor Hi Viz vests and new marketing material are the main reasons for this.	
		David had asked due to storage should we consider only keeping records for the current year and six previous complete years on a rolling basis. This was discussed and agreed.	David to deal.
11	Membership secretary	One new member.  54 Full  26 Associate  5 Honorary  11 Pillions  96 in total.  15 members have left this year and 19 have joined.  Tina queried the qualification(s) for being an Honorary member. Was it just reaching 70 years of age? This was clarified that Honorary membership is conferred on a member who has reached 70 years of age and is considered to have made a significant contribution to SaPAR. Tina stated that as this is the case she does not hold date of birth data for all members. However, she has just done this for Ken and Pat Wall.  Tina then asked who Lloyd Jones was as he is shown as an Honorary member but she has no knowledge of him. Enquiries to be made with Alan Fowles.  The question of membership cards was raised. We no longer issue them as we have no need for them. The question was raised in connection with a discount offered by J&S Clothing.	
12	Clothing	Nothing further to report	
12	Monthly ride outs	Charles is doing May August needs a leader to go to Broseley	

		October needs a leader to finish at Snailbeach village hall for the AGM.  Sally said she had received no responses from the Newsletter or Ken's direct approach for additional ride leaders. No leader – no ride.	
13	Social media	Ken stated the problem with the Web has been sorted, it was a software problem. He has made some changes to the group library, and he also stated that there was an issue with the database as it had reached it's limits. To overcome this Ken has broken the database down into a number of smaller, linked, databases.  Glyn said that as usual photographs are the most popular posts. He had 608 likes on the speed cameras.	
10.30hrs to have a procession ride, a garden walk, and a house walk at 1500hrs. The hand walk will be with Gareth Williams, the Curator, and people can purchase a light lunch in prior to the house walk. The maximum number for the house visit is 25. Ken to send at the members. The cost is £20.00 for non-members and £10.00 for members. Charles members to e-mail him direct if they are attending on <a href="mailto:charlesbridgeman54@gmail.com">charlesbridgeman54@gmail.com</a> .		Charles said that he intends to leave Montford Bridge at 0930hrs to get to Weston Park for 10.30hrs to have a procession ride, a garden walk, and a house walk at 1500hrs. The house walk will be with Gareth Williams, the Curator, and people can purchase a light lunch in the deli prior to the house walk. The maximum number for the house visit is 25. Ken to send an email to the members. The cost is £20.00 for non-members and £10.00 for members. Charles would like members to e-mail him direct if they are attending on <a href="mailto:charlesbridgeman54@gmail.com">charlesbridgeman54@gmail.com</a> . Payment is to be made to Charles by 8th May and Sally said David Rogers had already stated he wished to attend.	
		Charles to update next meeting on his ideas for a trail bike event in Leaton Woods.	
		Bill said that if Charles has any further ideas for social events, please e-mail them to the committee before the next meeting.	
14	AOB	None.	

Meeting closed at 21.40hrs.

Next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019, Riversway Conference Centre, Elim Church, Lancaster Road, Harlescott, Shrewsbury. SY1 3LE.

Signed	Date:

Bill Croxon, Chairman.