

Shropshire and Powys Advanced Riders (SaPAR)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 28th October 2020 at 7pm by Zoom

Agenda Item	Minutes
Attendance	Robert Hall, Helen Parker, David Rogers, Ken Swinton, Martin Powell, Stuart MacMillan, Stuart Wall, Kevin Fletcher, Howard Hughes, Barry Kimball, Ann Kimball, Jon Hepburn, Mick Hyde, Tina Kelly, Simon Plevin, Phil Noble, Robin Padgett, Bill Croxon, Alex Hutchinson-Collier, Charles Bridgman.
Apologies	Elliot Maslen, Stuart Edwards, Ian Morris, Sally MacMillan.
Minutes of 2019 AGM and matters arising.	The minutes had been circulated and no matters had been raised. The minutes were therefore accepted by those present as a true record. These will be signed by the Chairman and Secretary.
Chairman's Report	<p>Rob opened by saying that this year has been a difficult year in as much from February/March onwards life for everyone has changed.</p> <p>He said that taking over from Bill was a difficult act to follow but hopefully we are still moving forward as a group and maintaining the relationships that Bill forged.</p> <p>We continue to work with Shropshire Advanced motorcyclists albeit that has not done much due to winter followed by lockdown and the various and often confusing rules regarding socialising.</p> <p>During this time, Rob has spoken with SAM and other local chairs to see what if anything we can do to work together in the future to continue to promote advanced riding. He said that as we may be aware RoSPA have been given a grant to look at why so few riders take up post test training. Rob has contacted Amy at RoSPA to see what they plan to actually do, and whether we could become involved in some way, maybe we could have a bit of funding to help promote advanced riding. We will await a response!!</p>

	<p>As we are all aware once lockdown ended and we got clearance to begin tutoring, Stuart and Robin put together a package to ensure that we were Covid compliant when we began. All the tutors then had a check run with an advanced tutor to ensure that they were still up to speed. Rob would like to thank Stuart, Robin and all the tutors for their hard work in completing this task.</p> <p>Rob is now an examiner with RoSPA is aware of the issues regarding how tests are carried out. This is something he has spoken with Martin, our regional co-ordinator about, and he is pursuing the issue.</p> <p>Moving forward Rob hopes that at some time, in the not too distant future, we can begin rideouts again. That said given the current various lockdowns regionally and nationally he does not see that happening this side of Christmas. Obviously, this also means he cannot see that there will be a Christmas gathering this year.</p> <p>Despite everything the group continues to thrive and achieve its purpose to promote safe better riding.</p> <p>Rob said he would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee for their hard work and support throughout this turbulent year.</p>
<p>Training Officer</p>	<p><u>Robin Padgett</u></p> <p>19 tests since last AGM (against 15 in the previous period). Of which:</p> <p>9 new 10 retests and 9 of the 19 have taken place after lockdown</p> <p>Grades achieved were:</p> <p>1 - level 3 1 - diploma 8 - gold</p>

	<p>9 - silver</p> <p>Training stats: 13 in training 3 waiting 15 holding</p> <p>av. 7 sessions per week since lockdown</p> <p><u>Stuart McMillan</u></p> <p>Stuart thanked the Tutors for their willingness to partake in the riding assessments prior to returning to Tutoring. We currently have nine active Tutors, three who are undertaking their Tutor training with two of these close to finishing that process and two long standing Tutors who are presently not in a position to undertake that role.</p> <p>Stuart also thanked the Tutors for committing as fully as they have since lockdown ended, some being allocated two or three Associates at the same time to help bring the waiting list down. He also expressed his thanks to the Associates who had committed to the training process and seen it through to test, as, although there can be very good reasons, it is rather frustrating for a Tutor when an Associates drops out of the process.</p>
<p>Treasurer's Report and Adoption of Accounts</p>	<p>The accounts are for the year ended 30th April 2020 and are therefore mostly pre any effects from Covid. Membership subscriptions increased over the year both from new and existing members. Total income increased from £2623 to £2808. The group made a surplus for the year of £1210 and bank balances increased by £1431 to £7161. The group continued to have a very healthy financial position at 30th April and this has continued in the six months since then.</p> <p>These accounts were adopted by the committee on 8th July and all that remains is for the membership to vote to adopt the accounts. David was hoping to take any questions on the accounts prior to the formal vote to adopt the accounts but there were no questions.</p> <p>David asked the members to adopt the accounts</p> <p>The members voted to adopt the accounts</p>

Glyn Jones Award	<p>Three people were nominated, the person with the most nominations who won the award for supporting the club was:</p> <p>Ken Swinton</p>																														
Election of Officers /Committee Members	<p>The current committee stood down. Nominations were for all existing committee members to remain in office.</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="450 416 1361 767"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Position</u></th> <th><u>Name</u></th> <th><u>Seconded by</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Chairman</td> <td>Robert Hall</td> <td><i>Bill Croxon</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secretary</td> <td>Helen Parker</td> <td><i>David Rogers</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer</td> <td>David Rogers</td> <td><i>Stuart MacMillan</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Training Co-Ordinator</td> <td>Robin Padgett</td> <td><i>Helen Parker</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Membership Secretary</td> <td>Tina Kelly</td> <td><i>David Rogers</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Social Secretary</td> <td>Charles Bridgman</td> <td><i>Simon Plevin</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Public Relations Officer</td> <td>Kevin Fletcher</td> <td><i>Tina Kelly</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clothing and Website</td> <td>Ken Swinton</td> <td><i>Rob Hall</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rideout Co-ordinator</td> <td>Charles Bridgman</td> <td><i>Ken Swinton</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All the above were proposed, seconded and voted in individually by the members present and the nomination form completed and held by the Secretary.</p>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Seconded by</u>	Chairman	Robert Hall	<i>Bill Croxon</i>	Secretary	Helen Parker	<i>David Rogers</i>	Treasurer	David Rogers	<i>Stuart MacMillan</i>	Training Co-Ordinator	Robin Padgett	<i>Helen Parker</i>	Membership Secretary	Tina Kelly	<i>David Rogers</i>	Social Secretary	Charles Bridgman	<i>Simon Plevin</i>	Public Relations Officer	Kevin Fletcher	<i>Tina Kelly</i>	Clothing and Website	Ken Swinton	<i>Rob Hall</i>	Rideout Co-ordinator	Charles Bridgman	<i>Ken Swinton</i>
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AOB	<p>Rideouts were discussed, Charles will be setting up another ride soon.</p> <p><u>Martin</u></p> <p>Martin said that RoSPA are working from home and certificates are a problem. A few tests coming through.</p> <p>Surprisingly numbers don't seem to be falling and motorbike sales are up. Things are ticking over and all waiting to come out of lockdown. Some groups are making a WhatsApp group for rides so that the ride is outside of RoSPA and the first five to respond go on the ride. Charles asked Martin for help with the technical side so that we can use this. It was generally agreed that this was a good idea.</p>																														

	Martin said that it is hard to get a timeline on what are the most current guidelines. Hopefully when RoSPA get going properly we will have more clarification on the guidelines. Rob has tried to contact Amy about this. It was agreed that we need consistency
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Meeting closed at 20.07 hours

Signed.....

Date:

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