

Wakefield & District MAG

Minutes of the 18th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held at 8:00pm on Wednesday 15th January 2020, at the Grey Horse, Kirkgate, Wakefield

1) Welcome by chair and introduction of Yorkshire Region / National Observer

Steve Travis, Branch Chairman & Rep opened the meeting at 20:15 hrs. Richard Manton, Yorkshire Regional Rep and Andy Foody, Yorkshire Region Vice-Rep in attendance as Region observers.

All members in the branch area had previously been notified via the December 2019 mailshot (emailed or posted), of the date, time, venue and agenda for the 2019 AGM. The details of the AGM were also publicised on the branch website (wakefield.mag-uk.org) and the MAG website (www.mag-uk.org).

2) Apologies

Apologies received from Lorna Jaques for non-attendance at the AGM.

3) Minutes of previous AGM and matters arising

The minutes of the previous AGM (for the 2018 year), held on Wednesday 16th January 2019 were circulated. These minutes had also been published on the branch website following the 2018 AGM. The minutes were Proposed (Martin Burgess) and Seconded (Allan Archbold) and voted on by all meeting attendees as being a true and accurate account of that meetings proceedings.

No Matters Arising

4) Committee Reports

[Branch Reps Report](#)

FINANCIAL

Covered in Finance Officers Report

RUNS, RALLIES & OTHER SOCIAL EVENTS

- Hosted our 15th Post Christmas Auction in March raising £240, with the proceeds split (2/3 to MAG & 1/3 to Charity) as follows:
 - MAG Fighting Fund donation (via Yorkshire Region) - £160
 - Yorkshire Air Ambulance (Registered Charity: 1084305) - £40
 - National Association for Bikers with a Disability (Registered Charity No. 1040907) - £40
- Bingo night (in October)
- Held monthly rideouts (April to October, incl. One evening one to Huddersfield MAG)
- Celebrated our 17th Birthday with a night at the dog racing in March (we can now legally ride a 125 on the road !!!)
- Annual Bike Show at the Wakefield Gala on May Day Bank Holiday - Lots of coming and goings throughout the day with around 40 bikes in the show at any one point. The MAG stand did very well and we gave out huge amounts of literature and back copies of the Road magazine, fielded countless queries, joined up a new member, sold a few Wakefield MAG products and sold 3 Yorkshire Pudding Rally tickets and 2 Farmyard Party tickets. The tombola was particularly successful pulling in £101, all of which goes towards the MAG fighting fund. Separately, donations also raised a further £34.50.
- Went Clay Pigeon Shooting
- Members attended Wakefield's Fleur de Lys Classic Vehicle Show
- Continued our regular monthly social nights (replacing one business meeting a month with an organised social event instead) – held numerous quizzes and other social events.
- Attended and marshalled at all 3 MAP rallies (ITV, FYP, YPR)
- Supported other Yorkshire MAG Branch Events: Leeds MAG Evening with Ed March, Leeds MAG Comedy Night, Huddersfield MAG at the Tolson bike show, plus attendance at social events wherever we can
- Helped our local charity (Wakefield Hospice) with their annual 10K Race (Wakefield MAG providing Mobile Race Marshals) - something we have done for a good many years now

- Attended the City of Wakefield Remembrance Sunday Parade & Service, and the Royal British Legion Riders on a parade and service at Mirfield
- Hosted the now legendary Biker Quiz Nite (Leeds MAG won yet again)
- Held a well attended Christmas Do at the Smokehouse BBQ, then a pub crawl round Wakefield and ended with the Wakefield Pie Shop
- Held our 4th Christmas Toy Collection for Kidzaware, a local Wakefield based charity

POLITICAL

- Attended all the Region Meetings (Rep and/or delegate), plus co-hosted the MAG AGC in Dewsbury with Leeds & Huddersfield
- Members attended the Yorkshire MAG AGM
- Supported National Campaigns by contacting MP's / signing petitions etc
- Covered in detail in the Political Officers Report

MEMBERSHIP

- 2019 Membership (as @ December 2019) was 78 current members (same as previous year but 33% lower than highest ever membership in 2008)
- Previous stats:
 - 78 members in 2018
 - 85 members in 2017
 - 85 members in 2016
 - 88 members in 2015
 - 82 members in 2014
 - 93 members in 2013
 - 83 members in 2012
 - 99 members in 2011
 - 105 members in 2010

- 113 members in 2009
- 116 in 2008 (highest ever membership)
- Average membership over past 12 years: 92
- Membership retention figures no longer available
- Meeting attendance has maintained steady throughout the years (10 - 15), despite underlying membership stats
- 11 Monthly newsletters produced (combined one covering Jun/Jul) covering local, regional and national news & updates (published on the website and plugged on Facebook too (website stats show these are widely read)
- Annual mailshot letter sent in December to advertise AGM and plug membership renewal

OTHER ACTIVITY

- Website regularly maintained with current content & events reports for all of the events and activities we get involved with. Site is regularly looked at (39,833 hits over the last 11.5 years). Site gets a lot of praise at the NC and is held up as a model MAG Branch web site
- Facebook site maintained with current content & currently 453 members of the Wakefield MAG Facebook Group (unfortunately, they are not all MAG members)

ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST 2019 PLAN

- Continue with our active involvement politically in West Yorkshire, by working alongside Leeds & Huddersfield MAG with the WY Combined Authority **[ACHIEVED]**
- Continue with our local campaigns in Wakefield:
 - Provision of free secure bike parking by working with Wakefield Councillors to ensure the WYCA award provision is spent 'wisely' and in alignment with MAG's aims and objectives **[ACHIEVED]**
 - Pot Hole Reporting Campaign **[NOT ACHIEVED]**
- Continue to support Wakefield Hospice events:

- Marshal Wakefield Hospice 10K road race [**ACHIEVED**]
- Initiate a major recruitment drive to reverse the trend of falling membership figures within WF postcode area (Target: 10% membership increase i.e. 8 new members, to take total membership at end of December 2019 to 86) [**NOT ACHIEVED** – but maintained previous years membership figures]
- Forge stronger ties with Wakefield based Bike & Scooter clubs (where possible) [**NOT ACHIEVED** – although few active Wakefield based clubs]
- Maximise Fund raising for MAG fighting fund – Target: £1,600 (to exceed the 2018 donation) [**NOT ACHIEVED** – but still raised significant amount for MAG]
 - Look to introduce a new fundraising initiative in 2019 (TBA) [**ACHIEVED** – Christmas Raffle]
- Continue to support other local MAG groups with their activities [**ACHIEVED**]
- Continue to host our annual events:
 - Post Christmas Auction [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Birthday Bash at the Dogs [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Bike Show (at Wakefield Gala) [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Camping Weekend (venue TBA) [**NOT ACHIEVED**]
 - Bingo Night [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Remembrance Day Services / Parades [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Biker Quiz Nite [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Kidzaware Christmas Toy Collection [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Christmas Do (Christmas Meal & Pub Crawl) [**ACHIEVED**]
- Continue to support the major Yorkshire MAG rallies (ITV, FYP, YPR) – at least one marshalling shift p.p. for every Wakefield MAG member attending [**NOT ACHIEVED** – but vast majority of Wakefield Members did marshal]
- Hold formal organised rideouts:
 - monthly Sunday ride-outs (March-October) - (including a memorial run for our dearly departed members) [**ACHIEVED**]
 - Summer weekday evening ride-outs (Speedway et al) [**ACHIEVED**]
- Get regular coverage in Wakefield Express and/or other local papers e.g. Cas & Ponte Express etc [**ACHIEVED**]

SUMMARY

We now celebrate 18 consecutive years as an active MAG Branch (we are old enough to drink !!!). In those 18 years, we haven't had to reform / re-launch to keep going. Membership numbers remained same as previous year at 78 but we have seen a steady decrease over the years, since the heady days of 2008 when we recorded our highest ever membership (116). However, Meeting attendance has remained very strong throughout the year and the majority of meetings have around 10-15+ members in attendance (circa. 20% of MAG Members in the area attend their local branch meetings – Nationally, 10% is considered an excellent figure) .

We have been successful again in our fund raising for the MAG fighting fund, with the new Christmas Raffle raising a hefty profit of £351.50. We have remained very active, and packed an awful lot of activities into the year and laid on some very successful events. It is fair to say, that in spite of our size, we really do punch well above our weight in terms of active members, activities we hold and the funds we raise for MAG.

As a branch we all greatly felt the loss of our much loved Finance Officer and founding member, Justine Travis, and it is fair to say it put a significant damper on our morale during the latter half of the year. She is always in our thoughts and certainly with us in spirit.

Despite the obvious setback however, all in all, another highly successful year for the branch. A huge thanks to all our meeting regulars and all those who have supported the branch in all our activities. Hip Hip .. Hooray.

Steve Travis (97513)

Branch Rep

[Deputy Rep Report](#)

- Attended ride outs acted as back marker
- Helped Yorkshire Region host A.G.C plus attended region meetings
- Social events called bingo set quizzes night ride out to Huddersfield MAG
- May Day Gala Bike Show
- Laid wreath at Wakefield Cenotaph, then attended RBLR at Mirfield parade with other wakefield MAG members
- Christmas meal and pub crawl
- Deputised for branch rep when necessary
- HAPPY TO STAND AGAIN

Chas Milner, Deputy Representative

[Finance Officer Report - Financial Report & Audited Accounts for 2019](#)

Having stepped into this role part way through the year I spent some time going through various issues with Steve Travis to make sure our 'account spreadsheet' matched our actual bank balance and petty cash amount.

This was eventually settled as being:

Cash: £426.94
Bank acc: £572.22

With the only query being a plus £19.27 in petty cash (plus is better than a negative).

From 1st August 2019 I've kept an accurate record of all transactions (cash and bank account) and these are detailed on the account spreadsheet which has been audited and verified by:

Ian Whittaker & Terry Scott

As of 31st Dec 2019 we have a balance of: £26.44 cash
£600.22 bank acc

| Notes: | Cash | Account |
|---|-------------|----------------|
| Balance carried forward from last year | £140.70 | £267.22 |
| Branch heroes | -£28.87 | |
| Helmet sale (pre-auction) | £5.00 | |
| Donation to Central Ladies (Hudd & Leeds) | -£16.66 | |
| | -£40.00 | £40.00 |
| Auction | £201.00 | |
| | -£265.00 | £265.00 |
| Bike show tombola | £101.00 | |
| Donations / sales | £34.50 | |
| Rideout raffle Willy Woods | £5.00 | |
| Rideout raffle Whitby | £4.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | £19.27 | |

Weekly Raffle

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|------------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| | 09-Jan-19 | £7.00 |
| AGM no raffle | 16-Jan-19 | - |
| | 23-Jan-19 | £7.00 |
| | 30-Jan-19 | £6.00 |
| | 06-Feb-19 | £7.00 |
| | 13-Feb-19 | £4.00 |
| | 20-Feb-19 | £14.00 |
| Martin's music quiz | 27-Feb-19 | £12.00 |
| | 06-Mar-19 | £8.00 |
| | 13-Mar-19 | £9.00 |
| | 20-Mar-19 | £9.00 |
| | 27-Mar-19 | £9.00 |
| Auction raffle | 03-Apr-19 | £35.00 |
| | 10-Apr-19 | £5.00 |
| | 17-Apr-19 | £8.00 |
| Chas' names quiz | 24-Apr-19 | £11.00 |
| | 01-May-19 | £13.00 |
| | 08-May-19 | £8.00 |
| | 15-May-19 | £11.00 |
| | 22-May-19 | £10.00 |
| Darts night | 29-May-19 | £9.00 |
| No raffle | 05-Jun-19 | - |
| | 12-Jun-19 | £7.00 |
| | 19-Jun-19 | £14.00 |
| Evening ride to Hudds | 26-Jun-19 | - |
| | 03-Jul-19 | £22.00 |
| | 10-Jul-19 | £12.00 |
| | 17-Jul-19 | £2.00 |
| | 24-Jul-19 | £8.00 |
| No raffle (no Chas / informal mtg) | 31-Jul-19 | - |

£267.00

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|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Weekly raffle running total | £267.00 | |
| Sub totals | £426.94 | £572.22 |
| Total currently held | £999.16 | |
| Accounts handed over: | £426.94 | £572.22 |

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|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Contribution to A.G.C. costs | -£400.00 | |
| Donation to Air Ambulance | | -£40.00 |
| Donation to Air NABD | | -£40.00 |
| Donation to Yorkshire Region | | -£500.00 |
| Pay cash into bank | -£50.00 | £50.00 |
| Pay cash into bank | -£50.00 | £50.00 |
| Pay cash into bank | -£60.00 | £60.00 |
| Sale of Mugs | £50.00 | |
| Products sales (patch & stickers) | £4.00 | |
| Bingo | £79.00 | |
| Wreath for remembrance | | -£17.00 |
| Quiz | £30.00 | |
| Quiz prizes | -£24.00 | |
| Xmas Draw | £386.00 | |
| Xmas Draw ticket cost | -£34.50 | |
| Pay cash into bank | -£465.00 | £465.00 |

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| | 07-Aug-19 | £9.00 |
| | 14-Aug-19 | £7.00 |
| | 21-Aug-19 | £10.00 |
| Evening ride CANCELLED no raffle | 28-Aug-19 | - |
| | 04-Sep-19 | £7.00 |
| | 11-Sep-19 | £2.00 |
| | 18-Sep-19 | £5.00 |
| Steve West Quiz | 25-Sep-19 | £10.00 |
| | 02-Oct-19 | £8.00 |
| | 09-Oct-19 | £6.00 |
| | 16-Oct-19 | £6.00 |
| | 23-Oct-19 | £11.00 |
| Bingo | 30-Oct-19 | - |
| | 06-Nov-19 | £7.00 |
| | 13-Nov-19 | £8.00 |
| | 20-Nov-19 | £10.00 |
| Annual Quiz | 27-Nov-19 | - |
| | 04-Dec-19 | £7.00 |
| | 11-Dec-19 | £13.00 |
| Chas' Xmas Quiz | 18-Dec-19 | £8.00 |

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| Weekly raffle running total | £134.00 |
| Sub totals | £26.44 £600.22 |
| Total currently held | £626.66 |

If anyone has any queries regarding the account spreadsheet, I'm happy to discuss.

I am also willing to be put forward for this role in 2020.

Martin Burgess, Finance Officer

Auditors concurred - Ian Whittaker, Terry Scott (interim until ratified at AGM)

Press Officer

E-mails were sent to Ridings FM & Wakefield Express for the following events:

- 15th Post Christmas Auction in April
- Bike Show at the May Day Gala
- Bingo night in October
- 16th annual bikers quiz in November

I had replies from all emails from Ridings FM saying they would gladly give us a mention, but no reply from Wakefield Express.

Sharon Scott

Political Officer

Overall its been a quieter period in Wakefield with secure parking funding approved, sites identified and the delays apparently due to contractors employed by the Council.

The bus lane access on Dewsbury Road continues, on what must be the longest trial ever recorded! On the positive side it does continue which has got to confirm all our assertions as to why motorcycles should be allowed access into bus lanes. I think we must be alert when new bus lanes are proposed which are suitable for motorcycle access ,we lobby the Council to ensure we get it.

On the broader front I think we are all aware of councils proposing low emission zones/limited access to city centers, that we ensure motorcycles are seen, as part of the solution not part of the problem in regard to congestion and poor air quality.

Ride free

Ian Whittaker, Political Officer

Products Officer

I wish to report that 2019 has broken all known records for product sales....

We have sold 1 x patch and 2 x misc stickers giving us a total sales figure of £4.00 for the year.

We have also used 2 of our "Wakefield" stickers for flowers and poppy wreath.

A revised stock list is attached.

Note, the stock list and sales figure above does not include the sale of AGC mugs which are shown separately on the accounts spreadsheet.

No new stock was purchased in 2019 as there hasn't been any demand.

Product stock/sales are probably at their lowest (certainly in my memory).

If anyone has any suggestions or wants to help with this role, I'd welcome this.

| Wakefield MAG | | | Products Stock List | | | | | | | 01-Jan-19 | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|----|-----------|----------------|--------|
| Shop bags | | | | | | | | | 18 | £2.74 | | £49.32 |
| Bike flag | | | | | | | | | 2 | £14.10 | | £28.20 |
| Patch | | | | | | | | | 7 | £2.50 | | £17.50 |
| Sticker | | | | | | | | | 42 | £0.26 | | £10.92 |
| Old stock from 2017 | | | | | | | | | | | £105.94 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New stock purchased 2018 | | | | | | | | | | | £0.00 | |
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| Total cost of stock held | | | | | | | | | | | £105.94 | |

Products sold throughout 2018

| | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Patch | | 1 | £3.00 | £3.00 |
| Stickers (Yorkshire) | | 2 | £0.50 | £1.00 |
| Stickers | Used for wreath and flowers | 2 | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| | | | Product sales for 2018 | £4.00 |
| | | | Profit on product sales | £0.98 |

| Wakefield MAG | | | Products Stock List | | | | | | | 16-Jan-20 | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|---------|---------|----|-----|------|-----|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| Item | Gender | Colour | S 8-10 | M 12-14 | L 16-18 | XL | XXL | XXXL | Qty | Cost | Code | Sub total |
| Shop bags | | | | | | | | | 18 | £2.74 | | £49.32 |
| Bike flag | | | | | | | | | 2 | £14.10 | | £28.20 |
| Patch | | | | | | | | | 6 | £2.50 | | £15.00 |
| Sticker | | | | | | | | | 40 | £0.26 | | £10.40 |
| Total cost of stock held | | | | | | | | | | | £102.92 | |

Martin Burgess, Products Officer

[Social Committee](#)

The Social Team helped at Wakefield MAG events by:

- Collecting money and booking for the birthday bash at the dogs in March, and the Christmas meal and drinks around Wakefield in December.
- Collecting items for the 15th Post Christmas Auction in April, keeping tally of buyers and collecting money at the end of the auction.
- Organising the Clay Pigeon Shooting day out in April.

- Helped with the set up and clear up at the May Day gala. Collecting prizes and doing tickets for the tombola stall, manning the stalls and helping with the bike show entrants.
- Donating prizes for the bingo and raffle, selling bingo and raffle tickets and calling and checking the numbers at the October bingo night.
- Donating prizes and selling raffle tickets at the 16th Biker Quiz night in November.
- Donating toys for the Christmas Toy Run and taking them to the charity.

And to the people that have put on our monthly social evenings and bought prizes, and all members for all donations and prizes given throughout the year .

Sharon Scott and Lorna Jaques, Social Committee

[Rideout Coordinator's Report](#)

As one of the ride-out co-ordinators I lead rides to Ripon, Willingham Woods, Whitby and an evening ride to Huddersfield MAG meeting as well as attending Mick's ride to Thirsk and Clare's ride around Derbyshire.

Sadly, I must report that ride out attendance this year has been poor for various reasons and we also had to cancel a ride or two, due to bad weather forecasts.

On a positive all rides were enjoyable and completed without any major issues. Just the usual wrong turns and odd riders going astray which adds to the entertainment value.

Last year's proposal to classify rides as "learner friendly" and "more experienced riders" never came to fruition but was never really called for in 2019.

I am proposing a slight change to the ride out organisation for 2020 (separate issue) and am willing to share the ride out responsibility with others. I understand that Mick Culpan and Tracy Wheldon have also expressed an interest in leading/organising rides.... Thanks in advance to both Mick and Tracy.

Finally, a big thank you to Chas for consistently riding as back marker.... Hope to see you all in 2020.

Martin Burgess, Rideout Coordinator

[MAP Consultative Committee Representative](#)

Attended MAP meetings and sold Rally tickets.

Lorna Jaques, MAP Consultative Committee Representative

[Clubs Liaison](#)

Posted Wakefield MAG event information on Wakefield club Facebook pages

Terry Scott, Clubs Liaison Officer

[Fund Raising Officer](#)

Acting as one of the auctioneers

Organise weekly and rideout raffles

Called bingo

EVENTS:

1. POST CHRISTMAS AUCTION
2. MAY DAY TOMBOLA
3. BINGO NIGHT
4. QUIZ
5. WEEKLY AND RIDE OUT RAFFLES
6. CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

THANK YOU TO ALL

HAPPY TO STAND AGAIN

Chas Milner, Fund Raising Officer

[Membership Secretary](#)

Covered in Reps Report

[Webmaster](#)

Covered in Reps Report

5) Election / Re-election of branch officers for 2020

The following officers were elected / re-elected onto the 2020 branch committee, unanimously in all cases:

- Rep: **Steve Travis** [Proposed: Dave Roantree; Seconded: Martin Burgess] (Re-elected)
- Deputy Rep: **Chas Milner** [Proposed: Steve Travis; Seconded: Sharon Scott] (Re-elected)
- Treasurer: **Martin Burgess** [Proposed: John; Seconded: Allen Archbold] (Re-elected)
- Products Officer: **Martin Burgess** [Proposed: Steve Travis; Seconded: John] (Re-elected)
- Political Officer: **Ian Whittaker** [Proposed: Steve West; Seconded: Allen Archbold] (Re-elected)
- Auditor x 2: **Ian Whittaker, Terry Scott** [Proposed: Sharon Scott, Seconded: Pete Taplin] (Re-elected / Elected respectively)
- Social Committee: **Lorna Jaques, Sharon Scott** [Proposed: Allen Archbold; Seconded: Dave Roantree] (Re-elected)
- Rideout Coordinator: **Martin Burgess** [Proposed: Chas Milner, Seconded: Dave Roantree] (Re-elected)
- MAP Consultative Committee - Wakefield Rep: **Lorna Jaques** [Proposed: Steve Travis; Seconded: Martin Burgess] (Re-elected)
- MAP Consultative Committee - Deputy Wakefield Rep: **Steve Travis** [Proposed: Martin Burgess; Seconded: Allen Archbold] (Elected)
- Press Officer: **Sharon Scott** [Proposed: Martin Burgess; Seconded: Allen Archbold] (Re-elected)
- Membership Secretary: **Steve Travis** [part of Reps role]
- Clubs Liaison Officer: **Terry Scott** (via Social Media) [Proposed: Chas Milner; Seconded: Pete Taplin] (Elected)
- Fundraising Officer: **Chas Milner** [Proposed: Steve West; Seconded: Sharon Scott] (Re-elected)

6) Motions

Motion One

Proposed changes to monthly ride-outs

I wish to propose the following change to the monthly ride out arrangement:

Currently we set the dates early in the year and these are pretty much stuck to.

Under my proposal we will select a date per month (April to October) approx 1-2 weeks prior to the actual ride out.

Disadvantages of the proposed “new system” are:

1. The ride out dates are only advertised for a short time.
2. Web site will need updating, unless web site simply reads “see our Facebook page for dates”.

Advantages of the proposed “new system” are:

1. We can work around the weather forecast much better.
2. We can take into account events happening such as bike shows, gatherings, etc which are potential ride out destinations.
3. We can work around who is available and when (we all have other things in our lives) and maximise ride out participants.
4. As dates are set and these are advertised on Facebook etc this will remain fresh in people’s minds so we don’t get the “I thought it was next week” scenario.

As 2019’s ride outs were, on the whole, very poorly attended (one had 4 riders and only 2 of those were MAG members) and some even cancelled due to our unpredictable weather I feel the above is justified and should at least be tried for 1 year and judged on its success.

If the above change is accepted I would also propose the setting up of a “WhatsApp” group for the regular ride out participants so everyone can be kept informed. I’m not a WhatsApp user but would be prepared to look into this.

Proposed: Martin Burgess

Seconded: Mick Culpan

Carried Unanimously

Motion Two

Proposed change to memorial ride-out

I wish to propose that the annual memorial rideout, held in June, be named the ‘Justine Travis Memorial rideout’.

The rideout destination should be to Sutton-on-Sea in Lincolnshire as I think I am right in saying it held some special significance for her.

Proposed: Mick Culpan

Seconded: Steve Travis

Carried Unanimously

7) Objectives and branch development plan for the forthcoming year (2020)

1. Look to introduce a new Political Campaign (locally or to support Region / National initiatives, as applicable) – *Theft felt to be a good candidate and is an emotive subject for bikers so may well attract new members into the MAG fold*
2. Continue to support Wakefield Hospice events:
Marshal Wakefield Hospice 10K road race et al
3. Initiate a major recruitment drive to increase membership figures within WF postcode area, and encourage ‘new-blood’ to the meetings (**Target: 10% membership increase i.e. 8 new members**)
4. Maximise Fund raising for MAG fighting fund – Target: **£1,500** (to match previous 3 years)
5. As per 2019, Look to introduce a new fundraising initiative for 2020
6. Continue to support other local MAG groups with their activities / events
7. Continue to host our annual events:
 - Post Christmas Auction
 - Birthday Bash (Dog racing, pub crawl et al)
 - Bike Show (at Wakefield Gala)
 - Camping Weekend (TBA) – replacing the much loved Edinburgh MAG Rally & the Lakes Camping Barn weekends
 - Bingo Night
 - Remembrance Day Services / Parades
 - Biker Quiz Nite
 - Kidzaware Christmas Toy Collection
 - Christmas Do (Christmas Meal & Pub Crawl)
 - a.n.other (New Event for 2020)
8. Continue to support the major Yorkshire MAG rallies (ITV, FYP, YPR) – at least one marshalling shift p.p. for every Wakefield MAG member attending
9. Hold formal organised rideouts:
 - monthly Sunday ride-outs (March-October) - (including a memorial run for our dearly departed members)
 - Summer weekday evening ride-outs
10. Get regular coverage in Wakefield Express and/or other local papers e.g. Cas & Ponte Express etc

8) Presentation to branch heroes

Awards were presented for the branch heroes of 2019, based on points accumulated by members for attendance/participation in MAG/Branch events over the course of the year.

Our branch heroes for 2019 were:

- Most attendances: **Lorna Jaques** (615 points)
- Most attendances runner-up: **Martin Burgess** (590)
- Most attendances to Branch meetings on a bike: **Ashley West** (34)
- Charman's Award (Wakefield MAG membership nomination):

Wakefield MAG voted this year, for the person to receive the Chairman's award, also to source a trophy in memory of Justine. The trophy to be named: The Wakefield MAG Justine Travis Chairman's Award, to be presented each year to the person who makes the biggest contribution to the branch.

This year, on behalf of the Wakefield MAG family, it gives me (Chas Milner) great pleasure to ask the Yorkshire MAG Representative, Richard Manton, to come up and present this trophy to: **Steve Travis**

- Chairman's Award Runner-up (biggest contributions to the branch): **Dave Rowntree & Pete Taplin**

9) Any other business

none raised

10) Date of Next AGM

The date of the next AGM was set for Wednesday 13th January 2021.

The meeting closed at 21:50 hrs.

Region Observer concurred the meeting had been run in an open, professional and democratic manner.

Steve Travis

Wakefield MAG Rep (since the early Carboniferous Period)

97513