

REIGATE & REDHILL NORTH DOWNS MOTOR CLUB REIGATE & REDHILL NORTH DOWNS MOTORCYCLE CLUB

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 22nd MARCH 2016 AT THE RED LION, OLD REIGATE ROAD, BETCHWORTH

Present

Mike Blackman, Simon Canacott, Chris Chappell, Dave Charman, Tom Charman, Eric Clarke, Malcolm Coles, Richard Coles, Carol Dark, Chris Dark, James Dark, Scott Dark, Colin Don, Debbie Don, Ben Edwards, Luke Edwards, Robert Edwards, Mike Hammond, Charlie Harris, Stuart Haysom, Tracey Haysom, Peter Jenkins, Neville Lewis, Rachel Measures, Robert McKenzie, Rick Parish, Antony Read, Stuart Read, Gary Williams.

Chairman's Welcome

Richard welcomed everyone and explained that RRND comprised of two different Clubs, ACU and AMCA, and normally we would have two different agendas, but for ease we had decided to have one combined agenda.

Apologies for Absence

Keith Cross.

Minutes of AGM held on 12th February 2015

Posted on the website and approved unanimously.

Matters Arising (during the year)

- Richard brought to everyone's attention recent changes in ACU rules. Engine kill cords are now compulsory for youths and there are new requirements for riders suffering concussion.
- Compulsory wearing of crash helmets – a vote by members resulted in all except three in favour of this.
- Committee members standing down – Richard invited members to come forward to join the committee. Stuart Read and Colin Don are standing down.

Committee Reports:

Editor's Report

Those of you who were at last years' AGM will recall that after 6 years I stood down as Editor.

I have remained on the Committee, and continue to run the Club's Facebook Group and Facebook Page. I am pleased to report that we now have 182 members of the Facebook Group (up from 114 last year) - pity they haven't all joined as Club members!

Since no-one has come forward for the Editor role, your Committee are now using the website, FB and MailChimp e mails to keep you all informed of what is going on.

The FB Group is a very vibrant group and I would encourage you all to post all things bike related there to share with members of the Group.

I wish to give particular thanks this year to Rob Edwards who has set up and run with the MailChimp E Mail service, alongside his Club duties as Membership Secretary, Vice Chair, organising practice and training events and being captain of a laying out team.

Thanks as always to Bruce Deacon for his work on the Club website, which is a marvellous resource - I would encourage you to send articles, photos etc. to Bruce (bruce@rond.co.uk) for inclusion on the website.

Lastly I would encourage you all to join easyfundraising (link on our website) - the Club raises funds from this at no cost to yourselves - and the money received can help towards containing entry costs and membership fees.

Richard thanked Debbie for all her hard work.

Treasurer's Report for year ending 31st January 2016

2015 was an interesting year for the club from a financial point of view. On January 6th 2015 RRND Motor Clubs limited was formed as a limited company. The rationale for doing this was to protect the committee from potential unlimited claims against individuals, should any participant at a club activity suffer serious injury.

Due to the incorporation the accounts for 2015 have been prepared slightly differently this year, and cover the limited company trading period. Our thanks go to Rick Parish of Ellis Atkins for his help and advice in setting up the company, and also for preparing the accounts.

The accounts presented at the AGM cover the period 6th Jan 2015 to 31st January 2016. The company made a profit of £15,323 in the period, of this £14,812 was the value of funds held by the legacy club and gifted to the limited company on set up. Aside from this, the club made a profit from activities of £506.

Highlights from the management accounts for the period show that club trials made a profit of £149, member's subscriptions were £1,199, and that social events made a loss of £459, mostly coming from the camping weekend as usual, however this year's event was well attended and we incurred additional costs through the hire of the luxury toilets. The long distance trial made a good profit, and helped to subsidise the running costs of the club, allowing us to keep the membership fees down. We also discontinued the enewsletter subscription in 2015 and have started to use mail chimp instead. This is saving the club £360 per year in costs.

Looking forward to 2016, I expect the club to continue in good financial health. We are able to hold the membership fees at the same level as 2015, and plan to run a similar program of events in 2016.

Copies of the full accounts are available; if you want an electronic copy please contact me on mike_b_205@hotmail.com

Membership Secretary's Report

- **2015**
- By the end of 2015 the total number of members was 86, an increase of 10 from the previous year.

The 2015 membership was split into the following categories:-

- 63 Adults, an increase of 3 from 2014
- 14 Juniors, up 7 (doubled) from the previous year
- 9 Honorary as per last year including 2 non riding members that are honorary members whilst serving on the committee.
- The total number of members at the end of 2015 had increased by 13 from the figure three years ago from 73 at the end of 2012
- In 2015 there were 15 new members to the club, 13 adults and 2 children, in addition there were 2 adults that previously been members and re-joined the club.
- There were 15 adult members from 2014 who did not renew membership in 2015, this compares with 16 members that did not renew membership in the previous year.

- **Current Year**

At the time of the AGM we have 68 member slightly higher than the 61 at the time of the AGM last year, but this year we are a month later with the AGM. This includes 8 new adult members to the club.

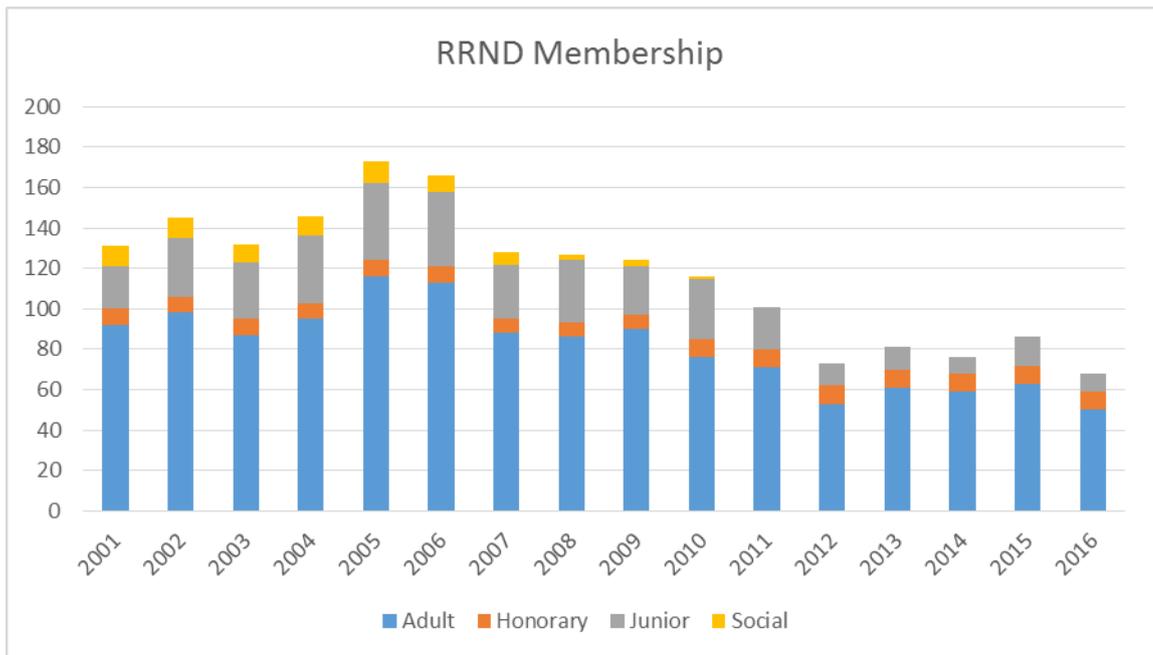
Stuart and Tracey Haysom, Alex Stone, Clare Smith, Mark Smith, Gareth & Gary Williams and Paul Silsby.

For those that have received membership cards, you'll have noticed that I have now included a list of this year's events on the reverse side of your card. For those of you that haven't received a membership card yet, please see me after the AGM

Supporting Information

- Honorary Members 2015:-
Bruce Deacon, Ron Dumbrell, Dave Figg, Ken Sherlock, Pat Lloyd-Jacob, Bruce Clarke, Antony Read, Debbie Don and Carol Dark.

Member Type	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Adult	92	98	87	95	116	113	88	86	90	76	71	53	61	59	63	50
Honorary	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Junior	21	29	28	33	38	37	27	31	24	30	21	11	11	8	14	9
Social	10	10	9	10	11	8	6	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	131	145	132	146	173	166	128	127	124	116	101	73	81	76	86	68



- Questions

Richard thanked Rob for putting in a considerable amount of work this year.

Competition Secretary's Report

Thank you all for coming tonight; it's your Club and your chance to have some input into running it.

I think 2015 was another successful year for the Club with monthly Club trials, a Long Distance Trial and two Group trials plus numerous training opportunities.

I tried to stand down last year, but this year I'm formally standing down as Comp Sec as I feel that I've taken the Club trials as far as I can and it's time for new ideas and direction.

I think the Club's income from Club trials is in a healthy state and I can stand down happy that I've done my best. I am still happy to be part of a setting out team and help out where I can.

I would like to wish the new Competition Secretary (whoever that may be) good luck and may they take the Club forward.

Finally a personal thanks to Brian Edwards for continuing to do the scores for the Club trials.

Richard thanked Colin for putting in a huge amount including booking all this year's trials and also thanked Debbie.

Social Secretary's Report

This position is vacant but Debbie thanked Mike for organising the camping weekend and also invited members to come up with suggestions for other social events.

Chairman's Report

Thank you all for coming tonight. To support the club in events beyond just turning up and riding at the trial shows support for the committee and what has been achieved over the last year.

If you have read the minutes of the last AGM you will see a recurring theme- a plea for assistance with the committee and members wishing to stand down or at least relinquish their roles.

Considering very little has changed in the last year the committee has achieved a great deal. Without restricting themselves to specific roles everyone has mucked in and ensured that life has gone on as usual and provided a great year's sport for members.

I wish to do little more in my report than to thank them for all their hard work. I am sure that all of the committee will continue to strive to ensure that the club continues to provide great events and remains in a healthy condition to pass over to the next team.

We mustn't lose sight of the fact that we need new members on the committee. Stuart has now stood down because it is no longer practical for him to attend meetings. Our thanks go to him for his help and input over the years. Particular thanks to our non-riding members, Carol and Debbie. Members must not rely on the good nature of current committee members to stay on the committee ad infinitum and I hope that some of our members will feel able to put themselves forward as candidates for the committee at some point over the next year.

Election to Committee

Richard explained that every year it is standard practice that the whole Committee stands down and is re-elected by the members. This year all Committee members are up for re-election except Stuart Read and Colin Don who is standing down as Competition Secretary but will remain as a committee member. However, all positions are open to the members of the Club.

As nobody came forward to join the committee, all continuing committee members were then unanimously voted in en-bloc. The positions of Competition Secretary, Assistant Competition Secretary, Editor and Social secretary remain vacant.

The 2015 Committee are:-

Chairman	Richard Coles
Vice Chairman	Rob Edwards
Secretary	Carol Dark
Treasurer	Mike Blackman
Club Publications Editor	Vacant but Debbie Don (managing Facebook)
Competition Secretary	Vacant
Membership Secretary	Rob Edwards
Assistant Competition Secretary	Vacant
Social Secretary	Vacant
Committee Members	Dave Charman, Colin Don, Pete Jenkins, Rob McKenzie.

Any Other Business

- Antony thanked the committee for their hard work and Mike added further thanks to Richard for the LDT.
- The LDT will be on the 10th July this year starting from Betchworth and Richard added that we would be grateful for help with this.
- Colin mentioned the Reigate Sports Council event in Priory Park but it was decided that as in the past we have had little return from this we will give it a miss this year.

Presentation of Awards

Richard, Carol and Debbie presented the individual awards.

The Committee Cup was awarded to Luke and Ben Edwards for their continuing help setting out club trials.

The Clubman's Cup was awarded to Rob Edwards.