

MINUTES OF RRND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9th January 2014

Present

Mike Blackman, Dave Charman, Richard Coles, Carol Dark, Colin Don, Debbie Don, Rob Edwards, Trevor Howell, Pete Jenkins, Neville Lewis, Stuart Read.

Apologies for Absence

None.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulated by e-mail and approved.

Matters Arising

- Limited company status- having looked into this Mike feels that further advice should be sought and whether this is now necessary. The matter will be raised again at the AGM with the benefit of Rick's advice.
- A charity donation of £45 has now been made to Cancer Research following Joan Westbrook's ride in the Jack Thompson Trial.
- Colin presented to the committee a proposal to pay Gervais the sum of £1000 for unlimited use of Beare Gill for this year. We currently run two group trials and two club trials there costing around £700. This year in addition to this we have planned two evening trials and the LDT and could add some practice/training events. The committee agreed, with the only concern being parking so, when confirming this, Colin will ask if we can use two metres of the field adjoining the track.
- LDT- the route and route book have been done. Richard will be the Secretary and arrange the permit and entry into TSM and Pete will be the clerk of the course. The start will be from Tilburstow. Neville requested more information for club members so **Pete** has agreed to do an article for the e-news.
- Club Chairman- after some discussion and persuasion Richard has agreed to stay on as Chairman despite his concerns about not being active in trials and not always being able to attend meetings. Rob has agreed to be Vice-Chairman and chair committee meetings in his absence. Richard thanked Debbie for covering this in the past.
- Camping weekend-despite fears being expressed that this event may not take place this year nobody has yet come forward to take over organisation. However, with Antony organising the marquee and Saturday evening entertainment, a fish and chip van planned and toilet arrangements the same as last year, most things are covered. Subject to confirmation of the use of Roy's land (**Neville to ask**) it will go ahead and possibly with a trial on the Monday if there is anyone willing to lay it out.

Secretary's Report

Carol has received the documents from the BMF following the renewal of our subscription.

Treasurer's Report

A good profit was made at the last club trial. As we did not see Gervais on the day, Mike paid him £180 in cash from his own money. The £45 charity donation and £3.84 for stamps was also paid by him. After taking some reimbursement from cash held, Mike has issued a cheque in favour of himself for £182.84 which was checked and approved by the committee.

Mike will arrange for the accounts to be done for the AGM.

Editor's Report

Debbie needs more articles. Colin suggested 'Top Tips' articles from anyone who can give advice and possibly a tool loan scheme. **Pete** will be doing the article on the forthcoming LDT.

Membership Secretary's Report

So far 35 members have renewed. We ended last year with 80 members. It was agreed that anyone who has not renewed at the next club trial will have to pay the guest fee.

Competition Secretary's Report

Next year's venues have been booked and only May's is awaiting confirmation. There will be four evening trials probably with less routes set out. Colin can do the two at Sparticles and Ockley except in August. **Stuart** will check to see if Antony can do this one as it follows the South Coast Trial. There may be a separate championship for the best three out of four rides.

Social Secretary

Nothing new to report.

Any Other Business

- At the AGM there will be a card for everyone to sign for Doug (Reel Hall Farm) .Our last trial there will be in February will Antony be able to lay this out?- **Stuart** will check.
- In view of Stuart's continuing work commitments he will be standing down as Assistant Competition Secretary but will stay on the committee as an ordinary member.
- Neville will be standing down as he does not agree with having committee meetings on the same night as club nights. If this changes in the future and he is asked he will consider returning. Richard thanked him for his hard work and promised to seek the member's views at the AGM. **Carol** to add to agenda.
- Members who take the advantage of the practice days will only be charged enough to cover the cost of permits and insurance.
- AGM- It was voted that Grace should receive the Committee Cup this year for doing the signing on at trials. Bruce and Brian will also be thanked for their work throughout the year. **Carol** will add asking for members nominations for charity to the agenda. Debbie will send out formal notice of the AGM to members. £100 will be spent on nibbles.

Date of Next Meeting

AGM Thursday 13th February 2014.