



| Present: | | Apologies Received: |
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| Chair | Steve Freemantle | |
| Secretary | | |
| Treasurer | Pete Brown | |
| Media | Dave Rodgers | |
| Events | Steve Read | |
| Member | Paul Underwood | |
| Member | Gary Bosworth | |
| Member | Catherine Bosworth | |
| Member | Natasha Brown | |
| Member | Martin Tomlinson | |
| Member | John Hodgson-Kerry | |
| Member | Paul Underwood | |
| Member | Sarah | |
| Member | Bernie Haws | |
| Member | Pat Haws | |
| MacMillan | Gemma Shaw | |
| Item | | Action |
| 1. | <p><u>Matters Arising from Minutes of Last Meeting:</u> Suggestion of Charity Car boot sale, Steve Freemantle to have a meeting with Sleaford Rugby Club which will discuss the return of the deposit money. Steve has made contact and is awaiting information from SRC. Donated book still to be sold. Donated engine has re-sold with the buyer making a donation to MacMillan as well.</p> | |
| 2. | <p><u>Chairman's Report:</u> Group still going well, with steady interest being shown on the both the website and increase in members on the face book group. Louth group were very happy with our help / appearance at their Coffee Morning as were the Spalding group with our help at their balloon race. Both groups have expressed their wish for us to attend future events.</p> | |
| 3. | <p><u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Current Balance to-date of £2050.22 Total paid in (inc donated motorcycle) from the Sunset to Sunrise is £4593.48.</p> | |
| 4. | <p><u>Chairs Statement & Resignation</u> The group has had another very successful year, as our bank account and membership list will confirm. At the beginning of the year we set out to have at least one event per month and, weather permitting, we have achieved that goal, Cleethorpes, Isle of Wight, Skeg-Vegas. Unfortunately the birthday bash we had planned to celebrate 100 years of Macmillan Cancer Support had to be cancelled, nothing to do with the organisation but purely the financial climate at the time. You are all aware that we had no confirmed bookings for the event by April and could not afford to take the risk of the event not breaking even. We are still in negotiations with the Sleaford Rugby Club Committee to see if they will refund our payment to them for use of the grounds. The Sunset to Sunrise event is going from strength to strength and still remains our flagship event. The event itself is getting easier to organise but harder to police. This is something we will need to manage more in the future years.</p> | |

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| | <p>Looking forward we need to grow our membership and offer 'more'. To that end I know the committee are looking at event clothing and greater publicity to spread the word further and increase our presence in the fundraising market. We all know that things are tight, financially, at the moment but we do need to try and ensure that we offer something that helps people to put their spare money in our buckets and that means that fundraising events we do attend we need volunteers, even if for only an hour to give the stalwarts a break.</p> <p>However we are not all about fundraising, the original aim of this group was to be motorcyclists who raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support not fund raisers who ride motorcycles and I think this is a very important part of the role of the next committee to ensure that fundraising doesn't take over from the motorcycling.</p> <p>Last months decision to look into more runs north of the country has been well received on Facebook. Again, finances will dictate but we must remember that not everyone will be able or willing to attend every event but that's not a reason for not doing it. The Isle of Wight weekend proved that! A small group who had a great time and promoted the cause in doing so.</p> <p>Pivotal roles in the coming year will be the events and media members for it is they who will play a major part in the organising and promotion of our events, not on their own but with help from all group members.</p> <p>Finally, I thank the committee for all they have done and, significantly, all that has been achieved over the year and wish the committee a very fruitful year.</p> <p>Cherish every success, learn from the not so successful and remember that every penny you raise is helping someone and a penny that Macmillan wouldn't have had had you not done what you do so well.</p> | |
| 5. | <p><u>Disolving of Present Committee</u></p> <p>Secretary takes over and asks for Volunteers for the Chairman's Post. Steve Freemantle is the only Volunteer, Proposer Pete Brown Seconded Gary Bosworth</p> | |
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| 6. | <p><u>Election of Secretary</u></p> <p>Steve asks for applicants for the post of group secretary Dave Rodgers is the only applicant, Proposer Steve Fremantle Seconded Natasha Brown</p> | |
| 7. | <p><u>Election of Treasurer</u></p> <p>Steve asks for applicants for the post of treasurer</p> <p>Natasha Brown is the only applicant, Proposer Pete Brown Seconded Dave Rodgers</p> | |
| 8. | <p><u>Election of Remaining Posts</u></p> <p><u>Events</u> Steve asks for applicants for the post of Events Member</p> <p>Steve Read is the only applicant, Proposer Pete Brown Seconded John Hodgeson-Kerry</p> <p><u>Media</u> Steve asks for applicants for the post of Media Member</p> <p>Sarah Birch is the only applicant, Proposer Gary Bosworth Seconded Natasha Brown</p> | |

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| 9. | <p>AOB</p> <p>Gemma Shaw expressed her thanks for all our hard work and that we are one of her favourite groups to work with. She particularly likes our innovation and sense of fun in everything we do.</p> <p>Steve Freemantle thanked Gemma for her support throughout the year.</p> <p>Gary Bosworth expressed his thanks to the group and to the riders who have made the effort.</p> <p>Catherine Bosworth – Expressed thanks to the group and stated that we are gaining a sizable following on Twitter at the moment.</p> <p>Steve Read Expressed his thanks for the group.</p> <p>Pete Brown – Expressed his thanks and wished good luck to the new committee.</p> <p>Martin Tomlinson expressed his apologies for his lack of attendance and hoped to resolve this in the future.</p> | |
| 11 | <p><u>Next Meeting:</u> To be held on 29th Nov 2011 at the Jolly Scotchman, Sleaford, at 19:30 hours.</p> <p>Business as Usual</p> | |

Original signed and on file
 Dave Rodgers
 Group Secretary
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