

MINUTES OF THE WESTERN REGION AGM 2022

Rangeworthy Village Hall. 13 March 2022.

1. Apologies

Claire Bryant. Tim Derrick. George Legg. Mark Kirkham. Andy Dempster.

2. **Election of Chair for the meeting.**

Eddie Garnier Proposed. Carried.

3. **Minutes of the last AGM (2020)**

Had been ratified by the Committee over email. A copy was held at the registration desk for perusal if required.

4. **Reps report for the past year – George Legg**

Due to illness I have not been at all active over the past few months, and have decided not to re-stand as the Regional Rep

I did manage to attend the Weston & North Somerset MAG AGM, where the majority of the members decided that the group should be made dormant. To that end Bill Pugsley and Julie Saunders are looking into winding up the group account.

I have managed to attend NC and Regional meetings via MS Teams or Zoom.

George Legg.

5. **Treasurer's Report**

Eddie Garnier, Regional Treasurer, has picked up the accounts, cheque book, etc., etc., from Den Powell, the previous Treasurer.

Things are a bit confusing at the moment, however, Eddie and Anne plan to go to the local branch of Santander to try and sort things out. Meanwhile, a cheque is being made today payable to Eddie for the cost of the AGM venue. This will ensure that Santander know the account is still active.

Post meeting note:- E & A went to Santander the following week with all the documentation. They were very helpful and we came away with the relevant paperwork to change or confirm the signatories and the holder of the account to be changed to Eddie.

It appears the account holder was never changed to Den Powell during her tenure as elected Regional treasurer.

Also, due to the cheque for the AGM venue going through the account an up to date statement was received by Andy Kerr (Regional Treasurer prior to his resignation and Den being elected) and forwarded to Eddie so we now have an up to date amount of what is held in the account which is circa £2k (sorry at the time of typing I don't have the exact amount).

6. Political Report

Geoff's report is extremely long because of all the work he does and if anyone would like a copy please email aine@mag-uk.org requesting one. Subject heading:- AGM Political Report.

7. Brief Group Reports

Bristol:- is very well attended. Some camp weekends are planned for the forthcoming year together with some runs planned.

The Group will be concentrating on condition of the roads locally and bike parking. It was noted that the once bike park on Park Street is now a cycle parking bay.

There should be a council map for bike parking.

South Glos MAG:- attendance at the monthly meetings is consistent. Dan and Stacey are getting married imminently.

Glos MAG:- seems stagnant. Anne mentioned it would be great if some of the original Glos MAG people could take it over and run with it.

Trace told us that Bev Hearn, as one of the signatories for the Group account had been contacted by the holding bank to say the account monies would be transferred into a holding account as the Glos account would appear to be inactive. Bev contacted Trace who was another signatory and after discussion all the monies were transferred to MAG Central to avoid losing the monies involved.

8. Election of Officers

Regional Rep:- Anne Gale

There were no offers from the floor to take on this role. After a stunned silence, Anne Gale said she would take on this role only to ensure the Region had a voice on the National Committee and a vote around the table. Being already busy with other MAG jobs she emphasised she would be 78 in a couple of months. Eddie said she must delegate.

Prop:- Geoff Mills

Sec:- Trace

Vice Rep:- Eddie Garnier volunteered to take over this role

Prop:- Anne Gale

Sec:- Joe Thomas

Regional Treasurer:- Eddie Garnier.

Prop: Anne Gale

Sec:- Trace

Regional Political Officer:- Geoff Mills, re-standing

Prop:- Anne Gale

Sec:- Eddie Garnier

Regional Webmaster:- George Legg, re-standing

Prop:- Trace

Sec:- Geoff Mills

Regional Admin Officer:- Anne Gale, re-standing

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Sec:- Trace

9. The National Committee would welcome any suggestions for celebrating MAG's 50th in 2023

No suggestions were forthcoming.

10. Any Other Business

- a) A cheque was drawn to Eddie Garnier for the hire of the AGM venue.
- b) Calne is being held on 30 July and stand space has been booked for us to be there.
- c) Gordon Wilkinson mentioned that membership numbers were not what they could be. To help with letting people know what MAG was about he would like a supply of the small folded handouts. Eddie has these and will give Gordon a supply.
- d) As a result of the MAG stand being at The Classic Bike Show in Shepton at the end of February we had been invited to take the Stand to the Kickback Custom and Stunt Show in Malvern on the 2/3 April.

Tickets for attendance must be purchased in advance.

- e) The date of the 2023 AGM was suggested as 12th March, however, it has since been established that this was not convenient and the date would be confirmed at the first Regional Committee Meeting due to be held in early June.

Meeting ended at 14.30.

POST MEETING NOTE:- IT WAS DECIDED AT THE JUNE COMMITTEE MEETING TO HOLD THE 2023 REGIONAL AGM AT THE SAME VENUE IN RANGEWORTHY ON 26 MARCH.

