

TRIUMPH OWNERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB N.Z. Inc.

CANTERBURY BRANCH

SOCIAL CLUB STEERING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13th April 2010

In Attendance

Peter Free	Area Coordinator
Wayne Woodward	Membership Officer
Ken Forsyth	Treasurer
John Milligan	Regalia Officer
Trevor Lau	Newsletter Editor
Andy Howie	Minutes Sec.

Apologies : None

1. Approval of Minutes

With ref. to the item in A.O.B. of the last meeting concerning the approach made to Ken Spall by a member who wanted his comments on the organization of the National Rally printed in the Newsletter, it had been clarified that there was no intent to circumvent proper procedures and the member concerned was sorry if it had been construed that way, he merely wanted to offer suggestions for consideration. The Committee accepted the explanation.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Steering Committee were approved.

2. Treasurer's Report

Ken reported on the financial status, details in the Appendix to these Minutes.

All income from the Whitecliffs Overnighter plus the cash in hand had been deposited in the bank account. A further \$ 20 had been won on the Bonus Bonds

Cheques had been issued as follows : \$ 216.12 for fuel for the vehicle towing the trailer to Whitecliffs ; \$ 127.80 for fuel for towing the trailer to the March Hare ; \$ 196.64 for purchase of food supplies for the March Hare ; \$20.00 for a First-Aid Manual

It was suggested that now that the work on the trailer was substantially complete and only \$200.00 or so remained in the Trailer Fund sub-account, this money should be transferred into the main bank account, and the sub-account closed to avoid paying any further bank charges. Any further work on the trailer could be financed out of general funds.

Good progress had been made by Ken and Trevor on drawing up the Financial Report for the year ending 31st July 2009, and the end was in sight.

3. Membership Report

Wayne reported no new members since last month.

4. President's Report

In the absence of Blair, who had indicated he would prefer to step back from attending these meetings, it was agreed this item on our Agenda could now be dropped.

5. Rides and Events

All events continue to be posted on the Club web-site

It was agreed that the Whitecliffs Rally had been very successful, with good attendance, plenty of wives and partners there, good food courtesy of the new club hungi, and a very sociable and convivial atmosphere all weekend.

Now that “summertime” was officially ended, it was agreed that our end-of-month meetings would now revert to the Richmond Bowling Club. Pete will issue an e-mail to this effect.

The date for the proposed Mid-Year function was set at 30th July at the Bowling club provided this was available, and Pete would confirm.

It was discussed whether we should have a repeat of Charlie Lamb’s very successful Isle of Man talk this winter. Some members had been sorry to miss it, and it was agreed that we should arrange a suitable date with Charlie, who could probably come up with a new slant on it so that even those who saw it before would enjoy again.

6. Club Trailer

Only some minor work remains to be done on the trailer, and it was agreed the fund be closed and the work be funded out of general funds, with the sub-account being closed as suggested in the Treasurer’s Report above.

7. Monthly Social Evening Meeting

To be held at Richmond Bowling Club on Friday 30th April at 7.30 pm

8. A.O.B.

Ken had still to sort out a quote for re-furbishment of the marquee but would do this soon.

John

- Suggested that we organize something for Street and Sport in recognition of the impact their “free membership” scheme had had on Club funds.
- After discussion it was agreed we ask if they would give a talk on safety and maintenance of bikes and a display of related products they had in stock, eg heated grips, chain oilers etc.
- John stated the Club Minutes on the web-site were not up to date. Pete agreed he would deal with this and send up-dates to Les Oxnam.
- John mentioned the Vintage Car Club display being organized in September as a Child Cancer Benefit event, and suggested we join them and put on a bike display. It was agreed to sound out members’ opinions and discuss nearer the time.
- John suggested that for future rallies members be asked to bring their own plates etc. instead of our using plastic ones. After discussion it was agreed that we stay with the present system.

John had got prices for screenprinting of T-shirts etc., various quantities, design options etc. It was agreed that we would not want to hold stock, but order as needed, and design options were selected.

Pete intimated that he had now compiled lists of members due their 10 / 15 yrs. membership awards and these would be issued soon.

He had also been in touch with Living Springs re holding the 2013 National Rally there. He was very impressed with the site and the facilities, plus the proximity of numerous options for the rally ride. It was obviously very handy to Christchurch for visitors. He had not been able to get definite prices, since this depended on numbers attending, but the site was available on the dates required. Price was likely to be higher than the usual but well worth it for the quality of the venue. The Committee, some of whom were familiar with the site, agreed and it was decided that a group visit should be made to view the site, and follow up on getting quotes.

It was agreed that one big plus factor was the nearness to Christchurch, which would be a big incentive for those attending from afar, even overseas, to arrange a holiday around the Rally event.

On the matter of the constructive comments made by one of our members about the recent National rally, Wayne gave the Committee a summary of these, many of which he thought were valid and useful and should be followed up.

Date of Next Meeting

The next Steering Committee Meeting would held on Tuesday 11th May at Ken’s home as usual 7.30pm.

