

OLD FORT YORK SECTION, CVMG

Minutes of a Meeting held on 1 February 2017 at the Madison Avenue Pub.

In the Chair: Ray Boorman, President.

In attendance: 20 members (in January, OFY had 106 members).

Minutes compiled by Secretary Berry.

- 1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting** were described as verbal diarrhea by one member and so were declared unfit for human consumption.
- 2. New Members.** No new members attended. The National Membership Secretary of CVMG recorded no new members for OFY for January.
- 3. Lucas Push.** Matthew Manton gave an account of planning for our signature event to be held Saturday 18 Feb. The annual recce produced the decision that the Push would be limited to two establishments this year, the Madison and the Duke of York, in the absence of other suitable options. Gabor Sos will lend his Triumph as the Push bike and John Muir will transport it; the section agreed to pay expenses. T-shirts, with a sterling design by Stephanie Ramon, were handed out to those who ordered; 32 were sold, not enough to generate a profit. Manton closed by recommending that we return to our Push roots by holding the 2018 event on King Street, starting at the Wheat Sheaf. Volunteers to organize are needed for 2018.
- 4. Treasurer's Report.** Alex Loizou, Chancellor of the Exchequer, reported that the first month of the Trumpf presidency has created market uncertainty but no appreciable effect on Section finances. We remain solvent.
- 5. Movie Night.** Alan Hall reported on the recent event at Moto Revere, hosted by him and the proprietor, Andrea Lothrop. *On Any Sunday* was enjoyed by 20 persons, with a yuge total of seven from OFY. Despite the low attendance by members, Alan is committed to the Feb. and March showings, seeing it as valuable "Outreach" to younger riders. Also proposed for OFY at Moto Revere were some Tech nights.
- 6. Spring Ride.** Planning has not yet begun, but several suggestions were received for this year's ride. One was to make the Spring Ride's destination what we have

previously used for the Fall Ride; and Ursula Foster volunteered to look into organizing a Fall Ride to the Wolf's Den Hostel in Algonquin Park.

7. OFY Website. Matthew Manton led a very detailed discussion concerning the new, totally reformatted website.

<http://oldfortyorkcvmg.org>

a) The delivery of ID#s to all OFY members is complete. b) OFY members are encouraged to post photos of their bikes in the Members' Bikes section. c) OFYers are also encouraged to participate in the forum, especially given the Banter retirement (see below, No 8); there is a *public forum* in which *non-OFYers* may view but not post and an *OFY-only private forum*. d) There will likely be a For Sale/Wanted section. e) Ray Boorman will maintain the Events page.

The members present offered a hearty round of applause for Matthew's efforts on our behalf in creating and maintaining this new resource.

8. OFY Banter. With the advent of the new website plus increased traffic on the OFY Facebook page, the Banter email channel is becoming less active. One member raised the issue of "unauthorized" use of material from the Banter in a motorcycle magazine. Another spoke of Banter monitoring and complaints about content by non-OFYers. Some non-OFYers use alternative email addresses to hide behind.

President Ray Boorman thus moved (seconded, Cam Plunger) "That the OFY Banter email channel cease to exist within 90 days." The motion was passed *nem con*. The Banter channel will be extinguished by 30 April 2017.

9. New Business. The main item of new business was the old problem of insurance for our summer BBQs. Ian Cooper volunteered to seek a legal opinion on the vexed question of liability at these events.

Motion to Adjourn. At 8.38 pm President Ray Boorman moved (seconded, although he preferred being first, M. Hailwood) that the meeting adjourn; the members agreed. The next meeting will be 1 March 2017.

President Boorman then put on his overcoat and, with a sidelong glance to the remaining members, departed. With the inherent grace of motorbike riders, others followed and the Top Dead Centre room at the Madison was soon empty.