New Forest Cycle Rally AGM 26 July 2021 8.15 – 9.30

Attendees Committee :	Floor:		
Chair Sharon Clifford	Bob Cooper	Andrew Newey	Helen Scholes
Secretary Anna Russell	Becca Petrie	Mark Collins	Martin Scholes
Treasurer Rupert Harris	Richard Haworth	Phil Barnes	Peter Rudd
Site Organiser David Haward	Claire Haworth	Maureen Flint	Nick Horne
Social Sec Anita Williams	Bill Edwards	Chris Chaman	Judy Atkinson
Social Sec Joy Nixon	Ann Burden	Morgan Field	Claire Packwood
Web master Alastair Petrie	Dan Montgomerie	Carole Russell	Sue Appel
	Jan Montgomerie	Mick Simmons	

Apologies Marie Cook (Committee member)

The Chair welcomed everybody to the Rally and talked about another difficult year with Covid uncertainty and how delighted we are to be back in spite of everything.

Reports

Rupert gave the Treasurers report and made the accounts available the Rally has a solid financial footing and no concerns were raised.

The Treasurers report acceptance was proposed by Richard Haworth and seconded by Phil Barnes.

David gave a Site report and told us that in spite of the reduced availability due to social distancing everybody who wanted to book had been able to do so; however numbers are less which is probably at least in part due to the uncertainty around whether a new lockdown could be announced at any time.

The Site report acceptance was proposed by Phil Barnes and seconded by Bill Edwards.

Alastair spoke about the website and new cycling shirts – more shirts will be offered for sale before next year's rally.

The Webmasters report acceptance was proposed by Mark Collins and seconded by Becca Petrie.

Anita and Joy talked about the activities planned and encourage participation – they thanked the volunteers who make these activities possible.

Anna advised that the 2020 minutes had been published with a newsletter and asked for any questions – there were none.

The previous minutes were proposed for acceptance by Bob Cooper and seconded by Anita Williams

All reports were accepted by the meeting

Elections

All existing Committee members were willing to stand, and nobody stood against:

Chair Sharon Clifford proposed Rupert Harris seconded Becca Petrie

Secretary Anna Russell proposed Anita Williams seconded Becca Petrie

Treasurer Rupert Harris proposed Richard Haworth seconded Alastair Petrie

Site Organiser David Haward proposed Mark Collins seconded Rupert Harris

Social Sec Anita Williams proposed Rupert Harris seconded Claire Haworth

Social Sec Joy Nixon proposed Rupert Harris seconded Claire Haworth

Web master Alastair Petrie proposed Becca Petrie seconded Carole Russell

Committee member Marie Cook proposed Sharon Clifford seconded Anna Russell

The Committee also needed a new Auditor and Richard Haworth volunteered to stand nobody stood against so he was proposed by Becca Petrie seconded Claire Haworth

The Treasurer, then Chair, thanked the outgoing Auditor Pat Mitchell on behalf of the Committee and all members for the many years she has supported the Rally as Auditor and Treasurer.

All the above, were accepted by the meeting.

Any other business

Mick asked about the rally fees – how much does this raise compared to the previous rebate mechanism.

Rupert advised that the previous years rebate was £275 while the rally fees were estimated to raise £225.

- Mick asked if this was necessary with the rally in profit.

Rupert replied that it was prudent to retain a buffer against future charges.

Carole wondered if it was time to look at other potential sites.

Richard felt that the site offered good facilities and activities, Helen agreed it is a lovely venue to bring the family with Judy Claire and Mark adding they feel it remains good value.

David said that this had been discussed by the Committee and he has done some research and this site is very favorable overall, compared to local alternatives. Becca thanked the Committee for their continued support.

- Alastair asked the rally attendees to volunteer to lead rides – membership of Cycling UK is necessary for this but members can support non members to jointly lead. More leaders leads to greater choice and enjoyment as well as spreading the load so that it isn't always the same leaders.

Martin asked if route maps could be publicised, perhaps using GTX/Strava.

- Martin highly recommended the Brockenhurst cycle shop
- Anita asked for a second information board for the information tent as it is needed.

The meeting ended with no other business.