

Minutes of 37th Committee Meeting of the Boundless
Thames Valley Group. Meeting Nr 05-2025

Venue – The meeting was held at The Bird-in-Hand, Knowl Hill, RG10 9UP.

Date Wednesday 29th October 2025. The meeting opened at 12.10pm

1. Present

Allan Goddard	(AG)	Chairman
Nick Palumbo	(NP)	Vice Chairman
Paul Christian	(PC)	Treasurer
Roger Greenwood	(RG)	Secretary
John Barnes	(JB)	Visor Editor
Derek Cheesman	(DC)	Committee Member
Richard Shymansky	(RS)	Committee Member
Albert Jones	(AJ)	Committee Member

AG welcomed those present.

2. Apologies were received from:

Martin Down and Geoff Bowen.

3. Minutes of previous meeting nr 04 / 2025 on 31. 07. 25

The minutes of the meeting notated 4-2025 held on the 31st July 2025 were read and approved.

4. Matters Arising from previous meeting 04-2025

There were no matters arising from the last meeting.

5. Chairman's Report: (AG)

The Chairman's report is attached, and AG thanked all those involved and which has taken us into the Clubs 103rd anniversary and TVG's 9th Anniversary. It was noted that the monthly noggin and natter had varied attendance and AG hoped for double figures to attend more often!

6. Secretary's report (RG)

All minutes were up to date and circulated to members and head office no other matters raised.

In regard to Head Office John raised the point that we needed more new/ younger members and that we perhaps needed contact with H/O for them to promote our group if possible.

Holly and Jack are our links with H/O and it was suggested we advise them of our meetings and AG said he would invite them to our next meeting and perhaps they could promote our group on the Website. RG noted that he had discussed lack of motorcycle items in the CSMA magazine with Benita at the national AGM as this was raised in previous TVG meetings.

7. Treasurer's Report (PC)

a) Paul confirmed that funds were within budget, largely because activities such as the Devon Dawdle had not taken place and therefore saved expenditure.

8. Past Events

a) Motoring

The Retro run in Wales was successful, and AG attended a well-supported event.

The Kent and Sussex run was also successful with around 30 cars, some with 3 occupants making for healthy attendance numbers.

8b) Motorcycling.

- The twice monthly runs March to October had been very successful with AG leading the majority and supplemented by runs planned by Nick, John and Martin. More Committee members encouraged to plan runs for 2026.

c) Social events:

- The national CSMA AGM and awards Dinner was held on 16th October and AG, Paul John and Roger attended in Stratford on Avon. AG was awarded a richly deserved Gong as Membership champion and John was awarded a literary award for producing our superb visor magazine.
- Noggin and Natters - Generally the 1st Thursday of the month at the Bird in Hand- Attendance encouraged; and next meeting, 6th November. As noted earlier, attendance is erratic and alternative venues are still under consideration.

Unofficial meets every Tuesday at Pinewood - For those able to attend.

9. Future events

Refer to the table of events attached to minutes as included in Visor; thanks to JB for this.

- The Annual Dinner so far has 15 names confirmed and which is too low to be viable for the BIH and TVG. RG undertook to issue a general round robin by WhatsApp to encourage attendance and to include a menu which may help. Whilst issuing this RG also undertook to circulate a second reminder and chase up for the skittles event on 6th December.
- Ride-outs reminder- To recommence on 2nd Thurs and last Tuesday from March to October 2026.
- First ride is 12th March and to be AG's 80th Birthday bash.
- Skittles booked for Saturday 6th December.
- Thames valley vultures Easter Egg Run on 3rd April 2026 11.30 gather for 12.00 start at Tilehurst rugby Club. (DC for more details)
- Refer to upcoming Visor for full details of a further trip to Spain organised by JB from Monday 13th to Monday 27th April'26 with 3 nights in Benicassim and 4 nights in Javea with travel from Portsmouth to Santander and return for a maximum of 8 bikes, there is healthy interest and it is likely to be a great event.
- New year car run to be held on Sunday 11th Jan and meet at the Taplow House Hotel in Maidenhead.
- Devon Dawdle for the spring was raised by JB for MD with potential venues at CSMA Hotel Bournemouth or Torquay; AG noted National Group not keen so it would be a TVG event – to be further discussed.
- NEC Motorcycle show visit on 18th Nov was confirmed and all to meet at Loddon hall at 9.30 and depart around 10.00 for NEC.
- Reading Toy run Sun 7th Dec to meet at Java café 12.00 and then join the run at Foster Wheeler. Return to Jave café after the ride.

10. The Visor Editor's Report (JB)

John confirmed that the next visor would be targeted for issue in December in time for a Christmas read with a contribution deadline of 12th Dec. Two more reports needed and DC and MD are to provide and AG to organise report for yesterday's run. Martin is again providing a Quiz – fine fellow!

11. AOB

A new member from Oxford area is to join by the name of Simon Ruff; JB is to send him a visor in the next issue.

Albert announced he is standing down from the Committee with immediate effect and not at the AGM. AG thanked Albert for all he had contributed and his service and that we all hoped to see him from time to time socially.

12 Date/Venue of next Meetings

The next meeting was proposed to be at the Bird in hand Wednesday 28th January 2026 at 12.00pm.

13. Meeting closed.

This the 37th meeting of the TVG Committee (notated 05-2025) closed at 2.21 pm.

Appendix 1 Boundless by CSMA – Schedule of Events dated October 2025

Event Dates for your Diary				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Group(s)</u>	<u>Description / Notes</u>
8/11/25	Annual Dinner	Bikes / Cars	TVG	The Annual dinner will take place at the Bird-in-Hand, Knowl Hill, RG10 9UP. Meet at 6.30pm for 7pm Dinner. The dress code will be smart/casual. AG has arranged this event and issue more information and menu options in due course. Contact AG for more information
18 th Nov	Motorcycle Live at NEC	Bikes / Social	TVG	15th - 23 November Visit Date to be advised nearer the time by AG
06/12/25	Skittles Night	Social	TVG	Date is now confirmed - Our organiser is Roger Greenwood. The event will be held at the 4 Horseshoes Sherfield on Loddon. RG27 0EX. Further details to follow.
07/12/25	Reading Toy Run	Bikes / Charity	TVG	Details to be provided nearer the time by AG
11/1/2026	New Year Run	Cars	CCG	Details above

Events Being Considered				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Group (s)</u>	<u>Description / Notes</u>
April 2026	Spain Adventure	Bikes / Cars	National	Arrangements are being drawn up for a return trip to Spain—likely to be a 2 weeks duration and will include some Spring Mediterranean Sunshine. Want to know more contact John on 07863 044612 Also see page 6.
TBC	Spring Sorte	Bikes / Cars	National /TVG	AG is planning a long weekend—similar to the Devon Dawdle—more information to follow.
TBC	Welsh Trip	Bikes / Cars	National	The National Committee (Ron Still) is looking at options and opportunities for a trip to Wales. Possibly in September.
TBC	Autumn Social	Bikes / Cars	National	Early planning consideration is being given for 2026 Autumn Social—Watch this space.