

Minutes – Boundless Motorcycle Group Committee Meeting
14.00 hours on Wednesday 15th November 2023
Held at The Bird In Hand, Bath Road, Knowl Hill, Reading, RG10 9UP

In attendance :

Ron Still	(RS)	Secretary
Martin Down	(MD)	Group Member
Nick Hoath	(NH)	Head of Member Communities

1. Apologies for Absence :

Allan Goddard	(AG1)	Chairman
Richard Ashcroft	(RA)	Committee Treasurer
Pete Gregory	(PG)	Deputy Club Leader
Ally Grant	(AG2)	Member Communities Executive

2. Minutes of the previous meeting: 17th August 2023.

The minutes were reviewed and agreed to be a true and accurate record of the meeting.
Proposed by **MD** seconded **RS**.

3. Matters arising from Minutes of the Previous Meeting (not covered elsewhere on agenda)

Nothing relevant has arisen since the last meeting.

4. Recent Correspondence

14/09/23 – Boundless, Draft Club Council Minutes 11th September 2023.
15/09/23 – Boundless Budget Reminder.
15/09/23 – Boundless, Membership Communities Communique, September 2023.
05/10/23 – BMF News 051023
03/11/23 – BMF News 021123
06/11/23 – Boundless, Membership Communities Communique, November 2023.
06/11/23 – Boundless, Draft Club Council Minutes 01st November 2023.
30/11/23 – Boundless Budgets

5. Boundless Business

Gerrard O’Sullivan was appointed as the new Boundless Chairman at the recent AGM, Geoff Gaunt was appointed as the Boundless Leader at the same event. The post of Treasurer is still to be determined.

6. Treasurer's Report

Motorcycle Group Budget is currently £1388.26.
The budget for 2024 has been submitted for approval. (30th November, Budgets have been approved).

7. ACU Business

We are to remain affiliated to the ACU, the Brighton Office is the point of contact and they will deal with future renewals.

Tim Lightfoot was elected as Chairman of the ACU Limited at its's recent AGM.

8. BMF Business

BMF Briefings have been received as shown in recent correspondence, these have been circulated to committee members.

9. Recent Events

1. The Rendevous Hotel weekend was attended by 31 people, a combination of members and their partners/friends. It was a really good weekend enjoyed by all attendees.
2. An Autumn social at the Boundless owned hotel in Bournemouth was arranged by AG1, it was held on 29th/30th September. Another good event attended by 23 people, a combination of members and their partners/friends.

10. Future Events

1. An early tour in 2024 to the Metropole Hotel in Llandridnod Wells was discussed, **AG1** said he would contact the hotel to determine availability. **RA** said he would be willing to help/lead the tour.

It was also thought that day ride outs/outings to various locations can be arranged, Facebook can be used to contact members about dates/times, etc.

From Ally Grant - Future events –

Discussion on using third party booking companies for tours/social weekends – I haven't directly discussed with the booking companies as I don't know what the group are planning, but this is a list of the group booking companies I use for the Social breaks. Either they can get in touch directly and mention that Boundless use them for Social Group Breaks, or I can get in touch and find out if motorcycle tours are something these companies can offer. I understand we would need to find hotels that are motorcycle friendly:

- Just for Groups
- Simply Groups
- Dunwood Travel
- Greatdays

I also have contacts at hotels used for the Social breaks, such as the Metropole in Llandrindod and the Royal Victoria in Snowdonia etc.

11. National Events (not motorcycle related)

Events are currently being planned, details will be in Boundless Magazine and on main website.

In addition to the already advertised Chatham Dockyard and Chester Zoo visits another one has been arranged for Brooklands Museum.

12. Member Contact (via CSMA Club Magazine, Motoring Ahead, Website, Facebook, etc.)

From Ally Grant – Member Contact

- Facebook – 494 members
- E-Shots – We had a Motorcycle Group email go on 16 August with the Hastings Direct quiz and giveaway. Well received and the quiz had over 1000 entries.
- Motoring Ahead – We have now decided to stop the Motoring Ahead Calendar and replace it with the Motoring QR Business Cards, which contains a link to the motoring events. These will be arriving soon as there was an issue with delivery. Once they arrive in the office I will send them to AG to distribute.

13. Walter Horne Spirit of Motorcycling Award

This was awarded to Ron Still the Committee Secretary, it was presented by Allan Goddard at the Skipton Weekend, Ron thanked the committee for the award.

14. Any other Business.

The possibility of a Boundless Motorcycle stand at the Thruxton round of next year's BSB meeting was discussed. The costs involved are reasonable so this will be explored by head office.

From Ally Grant – AOB

I have sent the brief in for new Motorcycle Stickers with the new branding on. Once these have been designed we will order them and send them out to AG to distribute.

15. Date and Venue of Next Meetings

It is proposed to hold the next group meeting on Zoom, the date is 21st February 2024 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at approx. 15.15 hours.

ACTION POINTS SUMMARY

Closed Action Points – None

Ongoing Action Points - **AG1** to research an early 2024 tour to the Metropole Hotel in Wales.