

BOURNEMOUTH & NEW FOREST SECTION OF THE V.M.C.C.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 9th FEBRUARY 2022 AT 8 PM

HELD AT THE CARPENTERS ARMS, BRANSGORE

ATTENDANCE 13 members attended.

OPENING The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.05pm and welcomed all attendees.

APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Nigel Holt, Howard Mackenzie-Cook, David Stokes, Steve Parrish.

MINUTES The minutes of the last AGM held on the 11th February 2021 were presented by the Hon. Secretary. It was proposed that these were accepted by Bernie Kuroпка , this was seconded by Tony Townsend and agreed unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING Pete Keeping raised the issue of the missed Cidery visit - see below.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT A copy of the Chairman's report is attached.

TREASURER'S The year ended with a balance of £ 887 with £150 to be paid as per last year's **REPORT** charity proposals, leaving £737 available this year.

It was proposed that donations be made as follows:

Hampshire Air Ambulance	£125
Julia's House	£125
British Legion	£125

This left a balance in the account of £362 available for expenses and social events.

The Treasurer's accounts were offered for inspection by any member, and it was then proposed by Tony Bristow that they be accepted. This was agreed unanimously and the accounts signed by the Chairman

SECRETARY'S REPORT A copy of the Secretary's report is attached.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The follow officers were elected:

Chairman	Bernie Kuroпка
Hon. Secretary	David Bowmer
Hon. Treasurer	Rodger French
Committee	Ian Barr, Peter Keeping and Richard Hutson
	Bill Humphries agreed to join the committee
Social Secretary	Tony Townsend

The above officers were thanked for their contributions to the section by Pete Keeping.

TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION

Meeting dates and venue

The Carpenters Arms has proved a pleasant and popular venue and will continue as our monthly (2nd Wednesday) and ad-hoc meeting place for the future.

Programme of events and run organisation

The programme of events was compiled by David Bowmer in October 2021 in order to meet the VMCC printing deadline for the Yearbook etc. The committee were contacted (via email and phone calls) to confirm the programme in the absence of an AGM. The final 2022 programme was approved but issues were raised of possible contentions and it was agreed that in future we would hold a Special General Meeting in October to consider the following years programme.

It was highlighted that Ian Barr is no longer able to take runs. The NY run was managed by Bernie and the Good Friday run will be managed by Bernie or Dave unless another volunteer comes forward (*action: David Bowmer*).

A general call was made for extra run and meeting organisers by David Bowmer who pointed out how easy it was and how much support was available. While no one came forward directly, informal follow up was agreed – (*action: David Bowmer and Bernie Kuroпка*). Richard Hutson proposed organising some runs to the same midway venues as other sections – (*action: Richard Hutson*).

Speakers and presentations

No presentations or other events took place last year due to pandemic restrictions so it was proposed that we make extra efforts this year to make up for lost time.

The following actions were agreed:-

The trip to Richard Frampton's Cidery will be re-arranged for as soon as practical and it was suggested that combined transport arrangements might be made - (*action: Bernie Kuroпка*)

Bernie suggested that he may be able to arrange a presentation on the Triumph Thruxton - (*action: Bernie Kuroпка*)

Richard Hutson agreed to provide a further presentation on his 2019 trip to Tasmania – (*action: Richard Hutson*)

OTHER BUSINESS

Rodger French has produced a Buy, Sell and Wants list just for the section. This was well received and Richard will develop and maintain this list and publish it regularly thru Bernie's email list – (*action: Rodger French and Bernie Kuroпка*)

A new sign-on form is now available showing the new VMCC logo and revised wording to indicate that **every** participant on our runs should sign on thereby agreeing our terms, regardless of motorcycle age or club membership.

CLOSE OF MEETING There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.22pm.

Signed.....(Chairman)

Bournemouth & New Forest Section (2022 AGM)
Chairman's Report 09.02.2022 - Bernard Kuroпка

What a relief to be able to say with some degree of certainty that we can have a 2 year overdue AGM !

My report nonetheless is positive and we were able to meet during 2021 for many Section Runs and have been gathering at the Carpenters since restrictions have been lifted.

This year we have a comprehensive list of Section Run dates and Events on our programme, you should have received a copy via my monthly emails. It would be nice to hope that one or two more of you will step up to the plate and say "Yes, I'll take on a Run and organise a Route for us". It is much easier than most would think. You can prepare a route from the comfort of your armchair with Google Earth. It's that simple ☺, 30-50 miles or so, a comfort break stop along the way and a great day out can be had. There is nothing to stop us or you, in organising mid-week Runs, if preferred ?

Our Fund raising activity got underway again during 2021, participating riders on our organised Runs have been generous in contributing to our Charity pot. I shall not spoil the report of our Treasurer, Rodger French, who will deliver the Section Accounts at our AGM.

As a Section we are still growing, Allen House have resumed their Monthly Section Reports to us and I comb through them to discover new Members to our area. Our Mailing list has grown. It would be really nice to see more Members turn up occasionally for a Run or a Noggin & Natter at the Carpenters. Our Meetings are a great opportunity for networking, making friends and swapping ideas, Parts or Technical Tips. If you are aware of Members who do not receive my monthly email rambling . . please let me know.

Our VMCC organisation has had a better year in 2021, the V & C monthly Journal has gone from strength to strength with regular News items, features and articles. I hope you are enjoying it ? Club Membership has stabilised, in fact there are signs of growth and the Marketing Group are hard at work developing plans to enhance the benefits, experience and value of Membership for all, ensuring continued growth for the future. The subtle rebranding exercise has brought us a more modern feel appealing to a younger audience, which is necessary for survival. Our new Club Chairman, Mario Costa-Sa, has worked tirelessly over the last couple of years and the Team that have supported him and given so much of their time, experience and skill resource, deserve our thanks.

I have to thank all our Section Committee Members for their support during the last year and all those Members who have stayed in touch throughout the Pandemic. They continue to offer assistance and their time. Dave Bowmer our Secretary and Rodger French our Treasurer have worked behind the scenes to support us all. I offer grateful thanks to them on behalf of us all.

I continue to assist when I can on the Regulatory Advisory Committee for the VMCC Board, the Committee is ably convened by Roger Bibbings. There are many avenues being pursued at present. Information of which is available on the VMCC Forum and often published in the Journal.

I believe it worthwhile to repeat that the Bmth & NF Section, continues with its "inclusive approach" to Classic motorcycling, which seems to be popular with many riders. If your 'old nail' can't make the run, drag out something else on two wheels, we won't turn you away!

We network with local Organisers of one make clubs and individuals who share our hobby. If we remain open and welcoming to all, they hopefully will join our Club or continue to participate with the B & NF Section.

I conclude by thanking you for your support of our VMCC Section and its Committee during the Pandemic; without your support there would be no local VMCC activity.

Keep smiling, keep riding, keep supporting us, we're here for you.

Best wishes,

Bernard Kuroпка - Chairman

Bournemouth & New Forest Section 2022 AGM **Secretary's Report 9.02.2022 - David Bowmer**

It is almost two years since this Covid Pandemic started and it has had a huge effect on our lives and our attitudes. We have had total lockdowns when we couldn't go out at all, then various stages of control when we were restricted to where and how many people we could meet. It has been difficult to keep our section together but I am hugely encouraged by our ability to adapt. We have been able to keep in touch with each other through controlled meetings in a variety of venues and through phones, emails and Skype calls. We have run programmed Runs whenever allowed and smaller (for instance up to 6 person) runs regularly when restrictions applied. We have met up outside pubs or in peoples gardens when necessary. We even managed a virtual AGM last year through Skype and email.

It seems that we are now out of the woods and able to restart our previously remembered lives. To that end we have produced a full programme again for 2022 which stands a good chance of happening. We are today holding our first (albeit postponed) AGM in two years.

Our section has thus not only survived but seems to have grown thanks to Bernie's efforts, and our club (the VMCC) seems to have normalised itself through the efforts of Mario Da Costa and many other stalwarts. The VMCC is well on the way to balancing its books and creating a new stable or perhaps even growth environment, with a great new magazine, an insurance scheme, a rebranding and new logo, enhanced membership benefits, and patently new attitudes.

Having said all the above, a hangover from the insularity imposed on us is that people are still minded to stay in their homes, avoiding large meetings (or even pubs), and minimising social interaction. That, tied to the age demographics of this club (or classic motorcycling in general) is an issue that we must try to address. We must attempt to encourage our membership to become more active both in socialising together and becoming more active in organising more informal ride-outs and events and supporting those who do. We need to encourage younger members to join us through greater inclusivity and support, and older members to be more adventurous in their attitudes.

To that end we are asking for more volunteers to organise runs throughout the year; I have included extra informal meets in the programme and can add plenty more if anyone wants to host or knows of a venue (for instance- Sunday meets at Mudeford Quay or Tuesday evenings at The Churchill); Rodger Francis is organising a sell and buy parts listing for the section (or in fact anyone on Bernie's email list); we are now inclusive to the point of accepting anybody and any bikes on our runs; we are also always open anytime to suggestions on broadening our appeal.

Our means of communicating with section members or in fact virtually anyone interested in Vantage and Classic biking (or really any form of biking) in the Bournemouth and New Forest area is primarily through Bernie's email list and our 'Bournemouth New Forest VMCC' facebook page. Anyone reading this or here today please take note and pass it on as much as possible.

While I know that thanking the other members of the committee is usual in these reports (so thanks Rodger, Tony, Ian, Pete and Richard) I'd like to give special thanks to Bernie Kuroпка, who having been cajoled into the role of Chairman seven years ago has put huge effort into maintaining and growing this section, and also for the huge support that he has provided to me and the other members throughout. He continues to contact every single new local VMCC member, and anyone who shows the slightest interest, building what is now a massive email list. I also see the effort he puts in to providing technical help and support to anyone who asks. I thank him profusely for everything he has done for this section, me and humanity in general. Thanks mate!

Enjoy the Riding,

Dave Bowmer

Bournemouth New Forest Section

Programme 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Organiser</u>
Jan 12	AGM	Carpenters, Bransgore,	20.00	Bernie Kuroпка, 07818 003500
Feb 09	Noggin & Natter	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Mar 06	Pre-Season Shakedown	Carpenters, Bransgore,	11.00	Bernie Kuroпка, 07818 003500
Mar 09	Noggin & Natter	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Apr 13	Noggin & Natter	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Apr 15	Good Friday Run	Carpenters, Bransgore,	11.00	TBC - For info call 07792 270537
Apr 18	Lunchtime meet	London Tavern	13.00	Bernie Kuroпка, 07818 003500
May 08	Pete's Spring Run	Carpenters, Bransgore,	11.00	Dave Bowmer 07792 270537
May 11	Bring a Bike Night	Mudford Quay	19.30	
Jun 05	Wessex Wander	Carpenters, Bransgore	10.30	Richard Hutson 01425 279681
Jun 08	Bring a Bike Night	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Jul 02	Burton Carnival	Burton Fields	13.00	Dave Bowmer, 07792 270537
Jul nn/nn	Pilford Rally – various runs	Pilford,	10.30	Mark Cradick, 01202 529865
Jul 13	Bring a Bike Night	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Jul 17	The Coastal Run	Walkford Pub BH23 5QF	11.00	Pete Keeping, 07305 514887
Jul 23	Stable Family Home Trust	Bisterne	13:00	Bernie Kuroпка 07818 003500
Aug 10	Bring a Bike Night	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Aug 14	Tony's Trundle	Carpenters, Bransgore,	11.00	Tony Townsend, 01425612458
Sep 04	Chairman's Priory Run	Christchurch Quay,	11.00	Bernie Kuroпка, 07818 003500
Sep 14	Bring a Bike Night	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Sep 25	Autumn Run	Carpenters, Bransgore	11.00	Richard Hutson 01425 279681
Oct 09	Dave's Late Run	Carpenters, Bransgore,	11.00	Dave Bowmer, 07792 270537
Oct 12	Noggin & Natter	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Nov 09	Noggin & Natter	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Nov 13	Remembrance Sunday	Elm Tree, Ringwood	09.45	Bernie Kuroпка, 07818 003500
Dec07	Noggin & Natter	Carpenters, Bransgore,	19.30	
Dec 09	Christmas Dinner	Carpenters, Bransgore	19.30	Tony Townsend, 01425 612458
Jan 01	New Year's Day Run	Carpenters, Bransgore	11.00	TBC - For info call 07792 270537

- Club Nights are the **2nd Wednesday** of each month, 7.30p.m at the Carpenter's Arms, *Bransgore*.
- Informal meets- **Thursday** - call for latest; **Monday** at Carpenters; **3rd Sundays 3pm** at Royal Oak, Fritham
- Midweek runs – Occasional - April to September – As notified by email
- Runs - open to all with bikes 25 years+. Min charity contribution of £2. Sign-on from 10.30 for 11am start.
- We operate a 2nd man drop off system on most of our runs.
- Additional regular events are run throughout the year. These and changes notified by email by the Chairman

Chairman	Hon. Secretary	Hon. Treasurer	Social Secretary	Committee:-
Bernie Kuroпка 07818 003500	Dave Bowmer 07792 270537	Rodger French 07831 425426	Tony Townsend 01425 612458	Ian Barr, 01425 610427
				Pete Keeping 07305 514887
				Richard Hutson 01425 279681



Bournemouth New Forest Section Sign On for an Event

EVENT..... DATE OF EVENT.....

VENUE..... ORGANISER

Member number or Affiliation ^	Name	Machine Details	Reg Num	Signature *

* By signing-on for this run you are agreeing that you, any passenger and your vehicle are fit for purpose and have adequate insurance as required by the Road Traffic Act to cover all relevant issues relating to this event. You must use your own judgement to identify any risks inherent to yourself and the vehicle you are using and act accordingly. The organisers of this run can provide no further indemnity.

^ All participating motorcycles must sign on regardless of motorcycle age or club membership. A charity contribution of at least £2 is welcomed from all riders.