

ENDURANCE GB - WESSEX GROUP BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of the AGM held on Saturday 11th November 2017 at Marston Magna Village Hall, Marston Magna, Somerset, BA22 8BY.

Rosemary Henderson, in her capacity as Chairperson, welcomed all those attending and introduced the Committee.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Liz Hinings, Heather Giles, Terry Mason and Helen MacDonald Harris.

2. MINUTES OF BAM 29.10.2016:

The Minutes had been circulated and no corrections were forthcoming.

Proposed - Sue Thompson

Seconded - Judy Hallam

3. MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Rosemary presented a full report of the year's activities and thanked the Committee for all their hard work. Janthea had stood down as Vice Chairperson and was presented with flowers in appreciation.

In 2017 Wessex had put on 7 National Rides and 2 Training Rides but once again the weather had intervened forcing the cancellation of Barbury and Phoenix. All had been extremely successful but there was a noticeable trend of riders only doing lower distances.

Both Training Rides had produced excellent funds for the Group. Many Wessex Members had enjoyed success including a 4th place at the Inter Regionals and representation on the England Team at Home International. However, this really good year had been tinged with sadness following the death of our much loved and respected Member, Val Cooper.

Rosemary concluded by saying that 2018 offered much promise but as usual many helpers would be needed to make all our events possible.

5. MEMBERSHIP:

Janthea gave a brief report. Full membership numbers were slightly up on the previous year but she was delighted we now had 18 Associates who were very active and the Group felt much stronger. She hope the good news trend would continue.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Claire presented the Accounts which had been previously circulated and gave a brief resume of income and expenditure. Thanks to the income generated the Group was in a healthy position and had been able to purchase some much needed new equipment, including new bibs, and still had monies set aside for the purchase of an equipment trailer.

7. ELECTIONS TO COMMITTEE:

Geraldine, Carol and Rosemary were all due to retire and had all agreed to re-stand. There were no other nominations.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- 8.1.** The Awards Dinner would be held at Northover Manor again and Sally Toye had kindly agreed to come and speak. Members were encouraged to book tickets early.
- 8.2.** Sam asked all Members to try and attend the National AGM and to ensure they cast their vote as this is an opportunity to express their opinion and have their say.
- 8.3.** Carol reminded everyone to get in touch if they thought they were eligible for trophies. She would not be able to chase helpers and the cut off point was imminent. Everyone was encouraged to attend the Awards Dinner.
- 8.4.** Janthea said that many more helpers would be needed for Cerne in 2018 as this would become a 2 day ride. She also thanked Rosemary for the superb food that had been provided for the evening.

There being no further business the Meeting was declared closed.