



TR Register Devon Group

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting. 2016

Held at The Dartmoor Lodge, Ashburton Friday 4th November 2016.
Starting at 8.00 pm in the Foxtor Room

Agenda Items:

1. Welcome

Alan Burgess welcomed everyone to this years AGM his first as Group Leader; especially the members from North Devon who had travelled the furthest to attend. Alan showed a selection of slides summarising the events of this year

2. Apologies for Absence

A number of apologies were received:-

Mark & Jo Radford	Dennis Hobbs	Alan & Jennie Gill
Frank Summers	Sue & Bob Ward	Alan Emery
Phil Tucker	Jo & Derek Ramsay	

3. Vote of thanks for group officers, event organisers

Alan thanked Derek Hurford for his 3 years as Group Leader and wished him well in his election for senior posts within the TR Register. This was followed by a presentation of an engraved plaque thanking him for his work and flowers for Janet for ably assisting Derek during his time at the helm.

Alan went on to thank all the event organisers for their efforts during 2016.

4. To Approve the Minutes of Last Meeting

held on 6th November 2015

Derek Hurford proposed acceptance of last year's minutes, seconded by John Vincent. The minutes were accepted.

5. Treasurers Report

Kevin Byrne showed the accounts for 2016.

An opening balance of £564.34 with a current balance as of 4th November of £550.11.

Expenditure to date of £88.68 in Gifts

Income of £74.45 received as a reclaim of Group costs during 2015.

A discussion was held around the need for generation of income during the year. It was agreed that would be achieved by collecting donations (of £1 per member) at the monthly meeting by Kevin Byrne or nominated representative.

6. Group Leaders Report

We paused for a moment for our absent friends - Laurie Flower our former Treasurer and Peter Christie, who gave so much to the club through knowledge and support of activities with wife Jane.

Alan spoke to the Group sharing how:

- We've enjoyed a lovely extended summer with many Sunday lunches and drives arranged by group members. Special thanks go to those individuals – Roger & Maureen, Derek & Janet, Dennis & Jenny, Andrew & Jenny and of course, Peter & Jane.
- We do have a couple more events in this year, namely The Butterleigh Inn (Dennis and Jennie Hobbs) and our Christmas Lunch at Hotel Endsleigh (Derek and Janet Hurford).



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- We've continued with our Friday night meetings at both The Rising Sun @ Woodland and The Halfway House @ Willand – although there are some possible changes to these events to be discussed a little later on.
- a few new and more regular faces at all of our meetings this year and I welcome these members to our meetings.
- In March, Derek, our GL, mentioned that he had been made aware of some health concerns himself and he put out a call to see if there were any willing volunteers to take on the role of GL, from 1 August – which is when Alan has stepped into the position.
- Membership numbers have remained steady, with currently 175 registered members in the Devon Group, with 6 members leave the TR Register but 3 new members joining, so our numbers are holding up quite well.
- In conclusion, Alan acknowledged the support and help from Martin Lovell as our official photographer, who has provided many of the photographs that you've been seeing on the screen this evening and was also the TR Register's official photographer at the IWE that we've enjoyed in our last TR Action magazine: and also Kevin, for working away behind the scenes, looking after our finances and making the arrangements for tonight's AGM and many other things too.

7. To Elect Group Leader and Treasurer

From the nominations received before midnight 20th October 2016

Derek Hurford stood down from his role as Group Leader during 2016.

As no nominations for Group Leader or Treasurer had been received by the deadline, Alan Burgess and Kevin Byrne agreed to remain in post for 2017.

Therefore the meeting accepted the re-election of:

- Alan Burgess - Devon Group Leader
- Kevin Byrne - Treasurer

8. Any Other Business

Members Feedback, Comments and Suggestions for 2017:

i) Alan announced that he would be introducing a new newsletter for Devon Members, entitled "In the Garage" it would enable Devon members to share their trials and tribulations 'in their garages, as we all undertake various repairs and improvements to our vehicles. This would include the opportunity for members to seek and/or offer advice and include local buys and sells too.

Andrew Willmott has kindly agreed to act as editor for the content and Devon Members are all invited to send information to Andrew for inclusion. An email with further details will be sent out.

ii) A schedule of proposed dates for Sunday lunches was put onto the screen with the request for volunteers to step forward to make arrangements – looking for some



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movement around the county. The following volunteers were gratefully adopted and will be added to the schedule.

Sunday Lunches 2017:

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| • February | Maureen and Roger |
| • March | Mo and John |
| • April | Kay and John |
| • August and December | Derek & Janet |

iii) Friday Night Meetings:-

It was raised that the current 1st Friday night meeting of each month (at the Rising Sun, Woodland) wasn't always suitable for a some members and a proposal was to change from a Friday to an alternative evening.

After some discussion, it was agreed that we would be prepared to change this meeting to the first Thursday of the month once the whole membership were given the opportunity to express their preference: Alan will issue a survey.

There was also some discussion regarding the meeting held on the 3rd Friday of each month at Halfway House, Willand and it was determined that this would remain unchanged.

iv) TR Register Flag 'Devon Group'

Currently the two Devon Flags are held in the south of the county. It was proposed that in future one flag to be held by Graham Vaggers and Andy Willmott to ensure that all events have at least one Devon flag available to organisers. The proposal was accepted.

In addition Derek Hurford was asked to research and source a new Devon design based on the Devon County Flag incorporating the TR Register logo. Derek Hurford agreed.

No further items were tabled and the meeting was closed at 9:35 pm