

## **Sussex & Surrey 2025 AGM – 24/01/25**

### **Attendees:**

Natascha Whitehead, Nicole Carroll, Mark Clowes, Gary Baker, Geoffrey Peckham, Jennifer Donaghy, Neil Jinks, Mark Clowes

### **Apologies:**

Mark Ordon, Kitty Ford, Diane Eggleden, Allen Browne

### **Meeting notes:**

Initial issues getting into the Teams AGM as the meeting was not opened on time (15 minutes delay) Due to the delay in starting the meeting (and several committee members not able to attend the AGM), the meeting became a very quick, tick box exercise.

Discussed branch activities from last year, we had two events, one virtual and the joint southern branches event at Windsor racecourse.

Re-elected the committee for 2025 – everyone was keen to stay in post apart from Brian Hurrell. Delighted to welcome new committee members – Gary Baker & Kitty Ford.

Positive feedback regarding clearer HQ communications to branches via regional rep Jon Swan. We were able to submit our 2025 budget on time, due to Jon advising us of the process and sending paperwork. Also got our AGM done in January.

Brief discussion around 2025 calendar with a commitment of putting a committee meeting in the diary for February to discuss further.

### **Confirmed members on 2025 committee:**

Natascha Whitehead – Chair

Diane Eggleden – Vice Chair

Nicole Carroll – Secretary

Mark Ordon - Member

Mark Clowes – Member

Allen Browne – Member

Kitty Ford – Member (new)

Gary Baker – Member (new)

Brian Hurrell removed – no longer able to serve on the committee due to new job commitments.

### **Events / Budgeting**

- Joint event, Brands Hatch in Sussex (date agreed for 18<sup>th</sup> September)
- £1,500 into joint event
- £500 for breakfast event in March and £500 for another breakfast in May,
- Potential to run another event in July / November – maybe social