

Canterbury Group Annual Report Sept 2016

Overview

The last twelve months have been filled with ups and downs with some key members dealing with a variety of personal, health, home and work issues so overall I feel we have maintained a status quo in regards to numbers.

Membership

Membership is steady with approx. 15 members and 8 prospects in the wings covering both car and motorcycle divisions. We have had a few of the crown limo drivers not renew membership but gained new members along the way from a variety of places, which is encouraging.

Roles

Trainee Car observer – Jo Mitchell

Car Examiners Patrick Fergusson, Paul Butell, Duncan Seed

Motorcycle Observers – Mike Kemp, Jo Mitchell, Dylan Rogers

Motorcycle Trainee Observer – Keith Morgan

Motorcycle Examiner – Duncan Seed

Membership/Ride Coordinator – Dylan Rogers

Secretary – Mike Kemp

Treasurer – Jo Mitchell

Chair – Duncan Seed

Achievements and work this year

2 motorcycle advanced tests passed this year

3 trainee observers became full observers

1 new trainee observer motorcycles and 1 trainee observer for cars

We have continued with monthly rides except for the last couple of winter months with varied numbers supporting this and had some interesting collaborative rides with TOTS members meeting in Murchison and Kaikoura.

Our motorcycle examiner went to Nelson for their observer-training day and was involved in some peer-to-peer work there.

We are hosting this year's annual conference and AGM in Christchurch and special thanks go out to our stalwarts Dr. Joanne Mitchell and her husband Dylan Rogers who have worked extremely hard to make this event happen.

We are involved in Canterbury's annual motorcycle event Kick-start at the A & P showground next month (2/10) with our new gazebo to try and promote road safety and the IAM program. We are expecting around 2000 riders at this event.

Future

The next twelve months we hope build on a good foundation and to consolidate our observer base for motorcycles and develop our prospects into full members.

We will continue to run our monthly rides/drives, promote them on our Facebook page and through our membership and attend events as they arise.

Our car division needs some TLC so we plan to do some development work there engaging with local car clubs and trying to develop current members into observers.