

## **Newsletter January 2 2026**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025--the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Section was marked by a splendid gathering of 60 at the Tuns Sadberge, location of our inaugural meeting in 1975.

Four of the founding members attended; - Howard Duddles, Geoff Stephenson Les Wennington and Mike Wilson.

Sad to report Bill Gilham, also a founding member died, many of us attended his funeral at the end of December, remembering the company of an active motorcyclist and enthusiastic trial and trail rider.

Thanks to all 60 for contributing to the festive cheer at our Christmas party; especially compere Paul, Yvonne, Victoria, Summer, Brian and Angela for organising the entertainment and party treats, as well as Pauline Wigglesworth for preparing the lovely buffet.

A fine Boxing Day, saw a good turnout of family and friends at High Force Hotel in Teesdale. including 20 motorcycles.