

Dr Bike report for the 2022 AGM.

Firstly, I would like to thank all the volunteers who turn up each week to support our Dr Bike surgeries without their support Dr Bike could not function. So, thanks to my amazing wife Donna, Charlie Ireland, Jamie Simmons, Dave Sutton, Roger Lambert, Kate and Ricki Carver, Paul Sandles, Mick Wightwick, Sarah and Mike Winser, and our newest member Steve Philips. The work you have all done to support Dr Bike during Covid has been amazing.

I'm stepping down from the Committee and Dr Bike this year. I've put a lot of time into Dr Bike and it's time to concentrate on other interests. My time leading Dr Bike and the team has been very rewarding.

Dr Bike puts on 3 surgeries a month from March to October with the same group of volunteers offering their support. I'm pleased with what the volunteers and I have achieved. Special thanks to the lady's that have stepped in when we have been short of help.

I want to say a huge thanks to Charlie Ireland for all the fantastic work he has done in promoting the club with the Facebook page and all the posts advertising and supporting Dr Bike.

So here is a summary of what we the Dr Bike team has done since the last AGM;
We have added 2 more gazebos to protect our volunteers from the elements. Sign written with words Dr Bike run by club volunteers.
The volunteers are now easier to identify in new Dr Bike polo shirts and caps.
We are the largest Dr Bike pop up group in the country. Cycling UK support over 600 Dr Bike Groups.
We operate from 3 sites per month from March to October.
All Dr Bike volunteers are now provided with hot and cold beverages, hot snacks again the cost of this is covered by the Grant funding.

Dr Bike has received £2,775 in funding from Cycling UK in 2021.
Due to the Grant funding Dr Bike no longer needs to charge for the parts used All we ask for is just a small donation to our chosen charity, Seaford Downs Syndrome and Special Needs Group for the repairs and safety checks done by Dr Bike team. If people are not able to make a donation due to financial hardship, we are happy that these people leave with a safe and functioning bike. Of course, you do get a few that abuse this system but the majority are more than happy to donate to the charity.
We have fixed 218 bikes this year.
We have held 21 Dr Bike surgeries 4 surgeries have been cancelled due to Covid restrictions and one due to bad weather.
We have had 13 bikes donated to Dr Bike and all fixed by our volunteers, sold and the proceeds added to the charity fund. I would like to thank Donna for all her efforts in cleaning these bikes, advertising them and dealing with the new owners when coming to our home to view the bikes and the volunteers for offering their time to go and collect the bikes once donated.
We received a £150 donation from the Newhaven Scott's group for repairs done to the Scott's bikes. Thanks, Ricki, for volunteering with Dan to do this over a couple of evenings.

This year we have raised a massive £2,069.92. And I hope you all agree that this is a fantastic amount of money raised by the Dr Bike team.

I wish you all well and that Dr Bike and the team continue their amazing work.
Thank you and I hope to join you out on a ride in 2022.
Lee