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Hi,

## We're one year old!

It took a small number of individuals a lot of time and effort to get the club and website going but we think it was worth it. In our first year we recruited over 100 members, our rides were extremely popular, our training sessions were fully-booked, the website received many favourable comments and we even won a regional award for "Most Innovative Club".

We also made excellent progress with the Croft Trail which has changed considerably since we took it over and has received many positive comments from people who ride there. We're really very lucky to have such an amazing resource so close to a town centre and feel that we're well on the way to making the most of it.

Of course there has been a lot of help along the way and our sincere thanks go to the shops, supporters and members for all their assistance – whether it was funding, the donation of a raffle prize or a few hours trail-building, you made a genuine difference.

## What now?

The team recently considered the future plans for the club and the unanimous decision was to carry on doing what we'd been doing: rides, holidays, trail building, novice friendly rides, training courses and raising awareness of the club.

That said, whilst the team are all still very passionate & committed we can't do everything and there are a few things that continually hold us back: funding (we need money!), ride leaders and trailbuilding volunteers being the obvious ones. Almost anyone with an interest in the club and trail can help with at least one of those, so if you know of funding opportunities, think you can lead a ride or could lend a hand at the trail for a couple of hours then please get in touch.

Thank you for your part in making MBSwindon a success and we hope to see you soon.

Phil, Rafe & Tom and the rest of the MBSwindon Team