



ANWCC Minutes of Meeting
held 13th May 2025
Mere and Tabley Community Club,
Warrington Rd, Mere, Knutsford
WA16 0TD



Action Summary

The following actions are summarised from the meeting minutes:

Minute	Action	
2025.22	Raise the impact of declining marshal numbers at the meeting on 19 May.	Mark Wilkinson
2025.30	Highlight the need for Safety Car Training in NW to MSUK.	Eric Cowcill.

Apologies for Absence:

John Harden (Vice-Chairman and Liverpool MC), Jon Cordery (BRMC), Dan Robinson (Malton MC), David Rainsbury (MGCC(NW)), Tracey Smith (Secretary/BRMC), Steve Johnson (CSMA, SD34MSG, U17MC(NW)), Martin Jelley (PDVCC), Martin Blackburn (Manx MSMA), Nick Stafford (MLO), Steve Southhall and Mike McKeown (Broughton-Bretton MC), Simon Bentley (De Lacy MC), Barry Wilkinson (Pendle DMC), Robert Newlove (North Humberside MC) and Chris Brown (Lindholme MSC).

Present were:

Gareth Roberts (Broughton-Bretton MC), David Gregory (Quinton MC), Chris Winstanley (Longton DMC), Eric Cowcill (PaN), Paul Goodman (MGCC (NW)), Steve Kenyon, (Garstang and Preston MC), Roger Hopkins and Mike Lawson (Knutsford DMC), Oz Phillips (BMMC NW), Colin Lester-Jones (North Wales CC), Phil Howarth (Liverpool MC), Richard Murtha (Lancashire AC) Ann McCormack (Warrington DMC), Jerry Lucas (Wallasey MC), Jonathan Armishaw (AMRO) and Nancy Russell (Stockport 061).

Officials present were:

Mark Wilkinson (Chairman/Stockport 061/Motor Sport (North West)/2300 Club), Jack Mather (Vice Chairman/MSNW/BLMCC), Dave V Thomas (Championships Co-Ordinator, North Wales CC), Jim Spencer (Treasurer/BRCA and Hagley) and Katy Mashiter (Training and KLMC/Morecambe CC).

2025.19 - Welcome

Mark Wilkinson welcomed delegates to the meeting.

2025.20 - Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes were proposed by Jack Mather and seconded by Eric Cowcill.

Actions from the previous meeting:

2024.37 (Championships) Dave Thomas to make the ANWCC logo and Championship adverts available to download from the ANWCC website. *Complete.* ANWCC Logo is now available on the website for those who need it for their publication.

2025.02 (Actions from the previous meeting) All Clubs to support consultation on the addition of a fifth category to the definition of autotest. *Complete.*

2025.06 (Sustainability) Tracey Smith to submit ANWCC application for sustainability accreditation to MSUK. *Complete.* See minute 2025.24 – Sustainability.

2025.08 (d) (Volunteer Recognition) All clubs to identify suitable nominations for 2025 MSUK Club and Volunteer Awards. *Complete.*

2025.09 (Treasurer's Report) Dave Thomas to chase unpaid 2025 club subscription fees. *Complete.* 4 clubs have not paid their subscription fees. See minute 2025.26 (b) – Secretary's Report.

2025.10 (Championships) Dave Thomas & Tracey Smith to agree date and venue for 2025 awards night. *Complete.* Tracey has provisionally booked Village Chester St Davids for 31st January 2026 and Mercure Chester for 7th February 2026.

2025.12 (Training) All clubs to map marshal training needs for both grade maintenance and progression. *Ongoing.*

2025.12 (Training) Oz Phillips and Katy Mashiter to form a working group to develop collaborative training opportunities. *Ongoing.* BMMC has a national training meeting in a few weeks, then they are going back to Motorsport UK (Claire Kirkpatrick) to see what they can do and whether they can cross-train across multiple disciplines.

2025.14 (Route Liaison Officer Report) All organising clubs to apply for event permits and submit routes for approval in accordance with agreed timetables. *Complete.*

2025.16 (Any Other Business) Tracey Smith to request guidance from MSUK on how to implement Martyn's Law. *Complete.* There is nothing to be done regarding this new Law for two years. MSUK will be issuing full guidance when the requirements are fully interpreted.

2025.21 - Matters Arising

None received.

2025.22 - Motorsport UK Reports

National Motorsport Week will run from 10th to 20th July. Cannock and District Car Club are running the Wheelspin StreetCar AutoSolo at Curborough Sprint Course on Sunday 13th July 2025.

Regional Association Development Plan-it is recognised that Regional Associations are key to supporting clubs. MSUK have used 2024 club survey data to design bespoke continual development plans for each Regional Association with the aim of strengthening links between clubs, Regions and MSUK. All Regions will have their own plan by Q3 2025 and progress will be measured via future club survey feedback.

Regional Meeting (met 3rd April 2025) - Mark Wilkinson tasked with raising declining number of volunteer marshals at meeting on 19th May. A review of single venue rally permit structure is happening by 10th June.

2025.23 – Discussion

a) Racing

Nothing to report.

b) Rallying

Nothing to report.

c) Karting

Nothing to report.

d) Cross-Country

Nothing to report.

e) Autotest/Autosolo

Autosolo/PCA/Autotest site area was discussed and the new regulations explained. Organisers can request dispensation from MSUK to increase the test area from 200m x 200m.

f) Sprint/Hillclimb

Proposed regulation changes for speed events relating to practicing on events to equate practicing rules for speed events with the qualifying rules for racing. It was suggested that only the competitors who haven't been to the event for 2 years should need to practice.

2025.24 - Sustainability

Mark announced that ANWCC had been successful in their application for MSUK sustainable club accreditation. ANWCC will be undertaking a travel survey later in the year to measure our carbon footprint.

Mike Lawson presented an outline of progress towards sustainable club accreditation for Knutsford DMC and the Plains Rally 2026. The club and event organisers are liaising with Motorsport UK. Accreditation will be achieved mainly through carbon offset.

2025.25 – Safeguarding

Nothing to report.

2025.26 - Secretary's Report

a.) Correspondence

Proposed regulation changes have been circulated to all member clubs.

Minutes received from ASWMC, AEMC and ANEMMC.

b.) New Member Clubs

Applications to join ANWCC were received from Bristol Owners & Drivers Association Ltd, Morgan Sports Car Club, Isle of Man Four Wheel Drive Club Ltd and Motorsport Isle of Man. No objections were received and all clubs were welcomed as full members of ANWCC.

Mark Wilkinson wished the clubs every success with their events.

ANWCC Membership for the following clubs has now lapsed: British Crossfires, Glossop & District CC, High Moor MC and Lightning MSC.

We now have 136 member clubs.

c.) LARA

Eric Cowcill stated there was nothing notable to report. Eric reported that he keeps seeing rally routes that are being restricted access, particularly in National Parks, still concerned about the illegal off-road activities. However, other than policing, not a lot can be done.

2025.27 - Treasurer's Report

Nothing to report.

2025.28 – Championships

Dave Thomas reported that to date, we have 292 championship contenders, slightly down from this time last year. Ages range from 13 to 82, the average being 47.

Rallying is healthy except for the Historic series, where we only have a possible 4 events. In the off-road disciplines, autotests are suffering and we have not had any championship trials yet (first one in a couple of weeks). Dave suspects there won't be many contenders.

Speed championship is underway with a revised scoring system, which does seem to even things out a bit, but too early to make a good comparison. Jonathan Baines is assisting Dave Thomas with compiling this Championship.

To date, we have had 46 championship rounds, plus an extra 5 all-rounder events, which have seen a total of 243 contenders start at least one event. 15 have started 3 disciplines to qualify for Allrounders, one having started in 5 disciplines.

All the championship charts are on the website and change with every event.

Google statistics – MSUK provide monthly reports stating the number of hits, average time spent on the website and where the users are based.

Dave asked clubs to let him know when event regulations are published and entries are open so that he can publicise the event on the ANWCC webpage.

Marshals Monthly £30 Prize Draw-the winners were:

- February- Maurice Ellison (Clitheroe & DMC)
- March- Steve Hallmark (ERO and Stockport 061)
- April-Jim Livesey (U17MC(NW))

Mark Wilkinson congratulated the winners of the prize draw. Dave Thomas reminded clubs to promote the marshal championship at their events. Downloadable promotion materials are available from the ANWCC website.

2025.29 - Press

Post vacant.

2025.30 – Training

Katy Mashiter reported that Motorsport UK have written a Deputy Stage Commander and Stage Safety Officer course, but only two people can deliver it currently. Interested delegates need to apply to attend the training. If ANWCC can get the course on, we will. Jack Mather also raised the lack of training support for Safety Car Officials, even though some clubs still need them. Response from Motorsport UK was 600 currently registered officials and they are looking into that and not currently planning on delivering more training. Eric Cowcill agreed to raise this with Motorsport UK.

2025.31 - Forestry Liaison Officer Report

Nothing to report.

2025.32 - Route Liaison Officer Report

Nothing to report.

2025.33 - MOD Liaison Officer Report

Nick Stafford has agreed to help MSUK with access to Military infrastructure on a trial basis. He is also working with other non-military sites that may be suitable for some disciplines.

2025.34 - Any Other Business

National Motorsport Week will run 10-20 July.

North West Stages will take place 20-21 March 2026 at Garstang. The organising team are asking for volunteers to help with planning the event.

Potteries and Newcastle are running a motorsport demonstration event on Saturday 1st June at Uttoxeter race course and are appealing for marshals to help. Contact Darren Fox at darren@powerofmotorsport.co.uk.

Dave Thomas raised that Motorsport UK have held a 12-car rally for electric/hybrid cars only, with 3 more rounds coming up and a final in Scotland at the end of the year. Entries for the first three events were 4, 4 and 1. Nancy Russell raised that the promotion was poor and that not many people were aware of these events.

Jim Livesey suggested that the use of Facebook was drastically dropping and that clubs should consider going back to emails or other social media.

Katy mentioned that the Malcolm Wilson completes a competitor survey of how much money was spent in the local economy for hotels/fuel/food/drink and presents it to the local council.

2025.35 - Date of next meeting

Tuesday 12th August 2025 from 7.30 pm at Mere and Tabley Community Club, Warrington Rd, Mere, Knutsford WA16 0TD.

2025.36 - Meeting ended at 20:45 hours.
