



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT TOFT CRICKET CLUB, KNUTSFORD ON TUESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2010

ATTENDANCE

22 member clubs were represented by 21 delegates as follows:

Accrington (John Harden & Steve Johnson), Aintree (Mike Ashcroft), BRMC (Derek Machin), BRSCC (Mike Harris), CSMA (Steve Johnson), C&A (Jim Jones), Cumbria Rover Owners (Katy Mashiter), Formula 1000 (Steve Johnson), Garstang & Preston (Terry May & Steve Kenyon), Glossop (John Buckley), Knutsford (Graham Raeburn), KLMC (Katy Mashiter & Bob Milloy), Liverpool (John Harden & Ron Hunt), Longton (Mike Ashcroft), MGCC (Paul Goodman & David Rainsbury), MS(NW) (Ann McCormack & Mark Wilkinson), Morecambe (Katy Mashiter), Newtown (Chris Tomley), North Wales (Dave Thomas), P&N (Eric Cowcill), Wallasey (Mike Harris), Warrington (Jason McCarthy & Ann McCormack)

Officials present were Bob Milloy (Chairman), Ron Hunt (Vice Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (General Secretary), Eric Cowcill (Treasurer), Dave Thomas (Championships Coordinator), Katy Mashiter (Press), John Harden (Aintree Liaison), Derek Machin (Training).

Apologies were received from Sue Sanders (Potteries & Newcastle), Martin Nield (Lancs & Ches and Motor Sport North West), Martin & Helen Fox (Wigan), Karen Spencer (Lindholme), Bill Turner (Wallasey), Jim Spencer (BRCA), Derek Lawson (Aintree), Brian Howatson (Clwyd Vale), Eve Fisher (AMSC & CSMA), Paul Maxwell (Quinton)

WELCOME

The Chairman, Bob Milloy, welcomed delegates to the meeting.

MINUTES

The Secretary reported that in the last minutes he had incorrectly reported attendance by Chris Stacey, it should have been Chris Tomley.

The minutes of the February 2009 AGM were then accepted as a true record, proposed by Steve Johnson and seconded by Mike Ashcroft.

MATTERS ARISING

Nothing that won't come up throughout the meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Bob Milloy reported that 2009 was a mixed year with the credit crunch – motorsport has turned out to be generally OK, with some events having increased entries. On the World scene, good to see the F1 Champion remaining in this country and Mikko Hirvonen giving the French electrician a good fight in the WRC and Kris Meeke winning the IRC. Mikko Hirvonen competed on Cambrian Rally in 2009, the rally then going on to win Rally of the Year. Congratulations to all award winners and many thanks to Holiday Inn, Manchester Airport for welcoming us. We were also indebted to our President Allan Dean-Lewis who flew up from Sevenoaks on Saturday afternoon and then flew back to Basingstoke at 6.30 on Sunday morning.

We moved venue during 2009 and would like to thank Toft Cricket Club for having us – the reason for the move was financial to help members attending meetings due to increasing bar prices at Holiday Inn, Runcorn.

Have to thank all officers for their work throughout the year, we had a new volunteer at the beginning of the year – Mark Wilkinson as our Secretary and he does an exemplary job, Eric Cowcill and also Ron Hunt.

Allan Dean-Lewis was at the Awards Presentation for 3 reasons – presented Scroll of Excellence to myself and MSA highly commended club to Accrington; and also awarded his cousin Dave Thomas – Services to Motorsport. Bob passed on his thanks to DVT – however as it's a lifetime achievement award, please don't give up!!

Association thrives on good events and keeping our customers satisfied so please don't give up and thanks for coming to the meetings.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mark Wilkinson reported that he would like to re-iterate his comments from 2009 that as most of the association business is now completed electronically – we need to be kept aware of any member changes within your clubs and also to email addresses.

Thank you to all the marshals, competitors, attendees at the meetings and hope you all have a good 2010.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A breakdown of the 2009 accounts was given by Eric Cowcill, an excess of £61.91 as opposed to £1257 – which is technically a loss, but not overly concerned due to the figures being rolling as still receiving subscriptions/event fees from previous years.

Registration fees were a little down, however events were slightly up (but this does include events from 2007!). Would like to thank officers for being frugal with expenses however the electronic age helps with this – the telephone is technically the internet. Photocopying has been £4000 in previous years however now nominal. Room hire has seen a large reduction this year (from £115 per meeting to £36).

Subscriptions – It was agreed to keep subscriptions at the same rate

The accounts were proposed by Steve Johnson and seconded by Derek Machin.

CHAMPIONSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dave Thomas reported that in 2009 we had 285 registrations which was 16.5% down on the previous year. We ran 124 events with no real problems. Thanks to everyone that has supported the championship. The awards night for 2009 was held a couple of weekends ago and was a very successful evening, if down on numbers.

Steve Johnson commented that we are the only association promoting 1000cc cars in their championships, and autosolo championships – which encourages new blood to the sport in a standard car.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Bob Milloy briefly handed over the Chair to Mark Wilkinson for the election of Chairman.

The following nominations have been received:

Chairman	Bob Milloy
Vice-Chairman	Ron Hunt
Treasurer	Eric Cowcill
General Secretary	Mark Wilkinson
Championship Sec.	Dave Thomas
Aintree Liaison	John Harden
Training Officer	Derek Machin
Press Officer	Katy Mashiter

The officers were proposed by Ann McCormack and seconded by Derek Machin.

Additionally, the two MSA appointments continue:

RLO	Gordon Pirie
FLO	Kevin Witton

MOTIONS

Jim Jones commented that he would like to nominate Dave Thomas as Vice President, Derek Machin seconded this and agreed by all en bloc.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 8 February 2011, Toft Cricket Club

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