



## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT TOFT CRICKET CLUB, KNUTSFORD ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013

### ATTENDANCE

116 (Rod Pierce), 2300 (Mark Wilkinson), Accrington (Steve Johnson & Graham Maxwell), Aintree (Michael Ashcroft), BRCA (Jim Spencer), BRMC (Derek Machin), BRSCC NW (Mike Harris), Buxton Land Rover (Matt Thompson), C&A (Jim Jones), Clwyd Vale (Brian Howatson), CSMA (Steve Johnson & Graham Maxwell), ERO (Chris Cornes & Mark Bailey), Fylde (David Grady), Gemini (Bill Wilmer & Mark Wilkinson), Liverpool (John Harden), Longton (Michael Ashcroft), MGCC (Paul Goodman & David Rainsbury), Motor Sport NW (Mark Wilkinson), North Wales (Dave Thomas), PAN (Eric Cowcill), SD34 (Mark Wilkinson & Bill Wilmer), Stockport 061 (Ken Wilkinson, Mark Wilkinson & Bob Milloy), Wallasey (Mike Harris & Bill Turner), Under 17 (Steve Johnson)

Officials present were Bob Milloy (Chairman), John Harden (Vice Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (General Secretary), Dave Thomas (Championship Coordinator), Eric Cowcill (Treasurer), Derek Machin (Training).

Apologies were received from Nigel Bayley (ERO), Sue Sanders, Teresa Wood (Epynt), Martin Nield (LCCC), Brynmor Pierce (Broughton & Bretton), Emyr Hall (Bala), Karen Spencer (Too many to list!), Les & Judy Warriner (Stockton), Chris Tomley, Steve Kenyon (Garstang), Carolyn & Anthony Taylor (LAC), Paul Maxwell, John Hall (Rotating Ferrets), Eve Fisher & Graham Bray (Bury, SD34 & Gemini), Katy Mashiter, Ron Hunt (Liverpool)

### WELCOME & MINUTES

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

The minutes of the August 2013 General Meeting were then accepted as a true record, proposed by Eric Cowcill and seconded by Mike Harris.

The Secretary, Mark Wilkinson, thanked all delegates for coming a week earlier (due to Wales Rally GB).

### MATTERS ARISING

- Sport England – now gone through Council and will be in Blue Book. Bob passed on his thanks to Jim Spencer for all his efforts on this.
- Tyro – Buxton Land Rover have a committee meeting coming up so will discuss. Mark Wilkinson is to forward contact details of other local clubs.
- Tarmac at Aintree – Michael Ashcroft reported that Colin Brady has created a specification and sent this to Aintree Management, watch this space...
- Junior Officials – Eric Cowcill reported that this is with Jess Fack.
- Marshal Grading Scheme – will now be 2015 at the earliest, due to communications at MSA House.

### MSA REPORTS

#### AUTOTEST

- Nothing to report.

#### RALLIES

- Have met, however minutes unavailable at this meeting.

#### COUNCIL

- Many changes to rules, mostly for 2014 including -
  - Lifting of Seats – it was confirmed that from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2014 all seats in stage rally cars must be current FIA specification following John Symes very thorough investigation. There is the opportunity for a competitor to have their seats tested by a manufacturer to extend their homologation by up to 2 years for a fee of around £75.  
*Michael Ashcroft provided the link to the report - [Seat Report](#)*
  - Changes to Kart & Speed regulations including recommendation of using FIA homologated seats in Rallycross vehicles & the introduction of the PG parent /guardian licence for junior drag race competitors.
  - Minor changes to the speed events classes – road going production removes capacity references and some minor sports libre changes.
  - Changes to Endurance race regulation to allow two races to be run simultaneously.
  - All rally routes will have to be submitted to the RLO irrespective of whether the event uses the public highway or not, plus adding the ability of the RLO to include technical restrictions on the vehicles eligible to compete on some events.
  - A new tyre list 6 will be introduced from 2015 with a conservative tread pattern for stage rally cars
  - Clarification of the minimum bolt sizes for seat belt mountings.

- A new **signing-on form** has been introduced at the request of insurers which has a significantly amended wording plus acceptance of the MSA Drug & alcohol policy – **for IMMEDIATE implementation**. It is recommended that all Clubs running events should download the latest version from the MSA website.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE REVISED SIGNING-ON FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD [here](#)**

- A definition of Club Sport has been produced which will help clubs apply for Sports Council grant aid.
- Some changes to international licences to align MSA with FIA requirements.
- Changes have been made to the dates of MSA committee and panel meetings to align them with MSA Council dates so that rule changes may be submitted more quickly to Council for ratification and inclusion in the following year's Blue Book.
- Paul Goodman asked what was happening with regards to Regulations for 2014 from MSA – no championship at this stage knows whether they have approval to run or not.  
Steve Johnson suggested commenting in the Club Survey.  
Bob Milloy suggested emailing Cheryl Lynch & Rob Jones as Acting CEO.

## REGIONAL

- Met on 21/08/13
- Topics discussed:
  - Fixtures List – still finalising the new system – any dates will move across to the new system.
  - Club & Rescue Development Fund – only 2/3 spent, please contact ADL!
  - Inter-Association – concerns over viability of some events.
  - Stewards Fees – ACSMC raised concern over 2 day fees. Ian Davis replied that this is an average and any specifics should be raised with Simon Fowler.
  - ACSMC also raised “no stationary flags” – should this be taken to Rallies Committee? Ian Davis replied that they are monitoring the FIA regulations.
  - ACSMC also raised whether regional associations could apply for permits – the Chairman suggested clubs should work together.
- Inter Association events, now on a rota basis, ANWCC turn is:
  - Autotest – 2019
  - Car Trial – 2017
  - Cross Country – 2022
  - Road/Nav/Targa Rally – 2022
  - Sprint – 2020
  - Stage – 2023

## REPORTS

### GENERAL SECRETARY

#### MINUTES RECEIVED FROM OTHER REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- ASEMC – May 13
- AEMC – Sept 13
- EMAMC – July 13
- ANCC – July 13

#### LARA

Eric Cowcill reported on recent meeting, and has changed his view on the amount of work they undertake behind the scenes.

Currently working on Traffic Restriction Order – Powys, Peak District & North Yorkshire Moors

New proposed government de-regulation bill – move power to local, as opposed to national

Next meeting – 29 January in Rugby

#### EVENT INVITATIONS

- Roger Albert Clark Clubmans Rally and Return Challenge – 10<sup>th</sup> November
- Lincoln Green Stages Rally – 7<sup>th</sup> December
- Legend Fires North West Stages – 7/8<sup>th</sup> February

#### NEW MEMBER CLUBS

- None

### TREASURER

- Bills for club invoices went out last week. DVT offered apologies for lateness to due other matters.

### CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR

- 292 competitors
- 150 events so far, with 11 to go
- Had forms from Andrea Wren to apply for 2014 championships.
- There was a proposal to increase competitor registration fees:
  - £10 to £14 for Non Rally Championships
  - £14 to £18 for Rallies – Proposed Steve Johnson, Seconded Derek Machin
    - *Looking back, there have been no increases for over 10 years.*
- Will look at possibly including Historic Stage Rally Championship again

- Awards Night – 1<sup>st</sup> February 2014 and Holiday Inn, Manchester Airport.
- Marshal Draw
  - May – Stephanie Parrett-Swift
  - June – Mark Wilkinson
  - July – Eve Fisher

#### **PRESS OFFICER**

- No report

#### **TRAINING OFFICER**

- 2014 dates confirmed as Stockport 25 January and York 26 January
- MSA have recently undertaken Child Protection Officer Training
- Trialling health and safety training amongst MSA Lead Trainers

#### **GO MOTORSPORT!**

- Steve reported that the Autosport Show is being extended – the autotest will now run across all 4 days.

#### **MSA FLO**

- No report.

#### **MSA RLO**

- No report.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Rod Pierce – Certificate of exemption permit fees for night navigations – would it be possible for the association to back a proposal to the MSA to either lower or at least cap the permit fees, as are getting around 3/4 crews out on club events, and therefore losing money. Bob Milloy asked whether you could run it as a permitted event at £2.80 per car instead, however not sure on the legalities? Or market to other local clubs. Bob Milloy will take to Regional, however also suggested reverting back to 116 Car Club and also other local clubs.
- Bill Wilmer commented that 40 years ago the MSA applied for a new radio channel, there are 2121 registered radio operators paying £7.50 for their licence – there was talk of another channel but doesn't seem to be moving along. On the Sunday of WRGB there will be 5 stages running on 1 channel – is it possible to take to Regional? Bob Milloy suggested emailing Safety Advisory Panel Chair, via Mark Wilkinson as Association Secretary.
- Mike Ashcroft reported that Aintree Circuit Club won National Motorsport Week Award – used NMW to promote their taster autosolo, ran a promotion on market day – won £500 award and presence at Business Excellence at Autosport Show.
- Eric Cowcill reported that Tristan Dodd was present F1000 at Professional Motorsport Conference in Cologne on 13/11/13.
- Bob Milloy reported that we nominated Graeme Forrester for Sprint & Hillclimb Committee, however was turned down on this occasion.
- **Don't forget to complete the MSA Club Survey – this is your chance to have your say:**  
<https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=137949110965>

### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February                      Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May                      Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August                      Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November  
 Toft Cricket Club, Booths Hall, Chelford Road, Knutsford, Cheshire, WA16 8QP. ([www.toftcc.co.uk](http://www.toftcc.co.uk))

### **AGENDA**

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Matters Arising

MSA Reports

Autotest

Rallies

Council

Regional

Reports

General Secretary

Association Minutes Received

LARA

Events – Association Invitations

New Member Clubs

Treasurer

Championship Coordinator

Press Officer

Training Officer

Go Motorsport

MSA Forestry Liaison Officer

MSA Route Liaison Officer

Any Other Business

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