

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT TOFT CRICKET CLUB, KNUTSFORD ON MONDAY 8th MAY 2017

ATTENDANCE

Dave Thomas (North Wales Car Club), Jim Spencer (BRCA & Hagley), David Gregory (Quinton), Stephen Ellison (Warrington), Nick Thornton (Two Peaks), Paul Goodman (MG Car Club NW), John Williams (WSCC), Steve Mather (Bolton-le-Moors), Derek Machin (BRMC), Jon Aston (Under 17), Katy Mashiter (KLMC & Morecambe), Rod Pierce (116), Richard Bate (Three Castles), Colin Barnes (BMMC), Kris Coombes (Preston), Louis Baines (Preston), Steve Kenyon (GPMC), Mike Lawson (Knutsford), Steve Henstock (Knutsford), Bill Turner (Wallasey), Jerry Lucas (Wallasey), Mike Harris (Wallasey & BRSCC NW), Jim Jones (C&A), Bill Wilmer (Gemini & SD34), Steve Johnson (Under 17, CSMA, Mi Rally & AMSC), Maurice Ellison (Clitheroe), Steve Southall (Broughton & Bretton), Gareth Roberts (Broughton & Bretton), Matt Thompson (Buxton DLRC), Bob Milloy (KLMC & Stockport 061), Mark Wilkinson (Stockport 061, Motor Sport NW & 2300)

Officials present were Bob Milloy (Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (Secretary), Jim Spencer (Treasurer), Dave Thomas (Championship), Katy Mashiter (Training), Maurice Ellison (Press).

Apologies were received from John Harden (Vice-Chairman), Will Barnes (Cannock), Steve Bishop (Longmynd), Annette Freeman (Anglesey Circuit Club), Lucy Owen (WSSCC), Martin Fox (Wigan), David Rainsbury (MGCC NW), Eric Cowcill (PAN), Graham Keen, Bill Pardoe (Hagley), Judy Warriner, Phil Howarth (Liverpool), Chris Winstanley (Longton), Emyr Hall (Bala), John Buckley (Glossop), Tom Dooley (BRSCC NW), Chris Noble (Clwyd Vale), Graham Maxwell (CSMA), Ken Wilkinson (Stockport 061)

WELCOME & MINUTES

The Chairman, Bob Milloy, welcomed all delegates to the meeting, along with Suze Endean (MSA Development Manager). The minutes of the February 2017 General Meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed by Derek Machin and seconded by Bill Turner.

MATTERS ARISING

- Private speed events – Bob Milloy will raise at Regional committee in 10 days time.
- Revised SRSRs in place from June 1st.
- Jonathan Day has now left MSA and gone back to British Cycling.

MSA REPORTS

SUZE ENDEAN

- Competitor and Volunteer background.
- MSA Development Manager, initially looking after the 11 RDOs, volunteer recruitment / retention – marshal recognition pack, marshal prize draw.
Go Motorsport is changing slightly – RDOs are now on 10 hours per week, streamlined / reorganised the regions as per counties.
- Safety Car Courses – new dates are due out shortly, Event Safety Officer training will follow this.
- Motorsport Development Fund:
 - New online - <https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=149028530139>
 - New word document - www.msauk.org/assets/msamotorsportdevelopmentfundapplicationformfinal.docx
 - Guidance notes - <https://www.msauk.org/assets/msamsdfguidancefinal.pdf>
- Revised Safeguarding template – email has just gone out to all clubs
Documents available from <https://www.msauk.org/Resource-Centre/Clubs-Organisers>
- Jim Spencer asked about funding cuts? Suze replied that as far as she is aware it is the financial climate and the investments are not performing as fully as they could be.
Paul Goodman commented that it may be that invoices are being sent out late, which causes planning problems.
Bob Milloy will take to Regional.
- Derek Machin asked about the Year Book and Club Manual re-write? Suze replied that she wasn't aware of the Year Book, however parts of the Club Manual have already been done and just need reviewing – an update will be provided prior to the August meeting.

AUTOTEST

- Met in March.
- Re-write of the section has been well received.

- Inter Association Autosolo is on 18th June, ANCC are host and Graham Maxwell is Clerk.

RALLIES

- Met 4th April
- Tracking – still being worked on, 99% there and back in testing mode. Will not come in until 01/01/18 at earliest. Mike Lawson asked if it is correct that only 2 events can use it at once, Bob Milloy confirmed this is correct – so may need calendar of events looking at?
- Routes in to Rallying - rallying page and cost have both been updated on <http://www.gomotorsport.net/> and hoping the rest will be updated by the end of the year.
- SRSRs for Road Rallying are to be looked at.
- Mandatory driver briefings at single venue rallies.
- Yellow flags
- Splits / Merges / Multi-Loops on both single venue and closed roads are being looked at.
- Wheel widths for cars used for Junior Rallies
- Road Rally tyres out for consultation - <https://www.msauk.org/assets/actionsheetforconsultation-4april2017.pdf>
- Targa – J5.20.6 suggestion to allow car derived vans allowed for road rallies without special tests.
- Percentage of route to be completed – currently 2/3 of stages, looking to reduce to 50%.
- Close Road events are now legal in England – RTA (Motor Racing) England 2017.
<https://www.msauk.org/MSA-issues-closed-road-guidance-documents>

COUNCIL

- Met 14th March
- Suggested that events look at impact surveys
- Next meeting 6th June

REGIONAL

- Meet 17th May

REPORTS

GENERAL SECRETARY

EVENT INVITATIONS

- North Humberside MC Warcop Stages – 28th May
- DMack Carlisle Stages – 10th June
- HAS Curborough Sprint – 7th October
- Beatson's Mull Rally – 13th – 15th October

NEW MEMBER CLUBS

- British Motorsport Marshals Club – would like to integrate with all Regional Associations and foster new relations.
- That's Motorsport Limited
- Two Peaks Motor Club – formed in November 2016 and currently at 40 members, holding a Touring Assembly on 5th May
- All the above were accepted en mass.

LARA

- Eventually settled on £300 pa for Associate Member, the ANWCC Executive discussed this and ultimately agreed to renew our membership. It could have been a lot worse, however if it was we would have said no.

TREASURER

- Jim reported that the accounts are progressing well and nothing unusual to report.

CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR

- 8 competitors down on last year to date.
- Under 25s – 52 (37 last year).
- Over 55s – 64 (67 last year).
- 44 out of 225 are returnees, one was last registered in 1984
- 51 events so far
- Slicks Tyres are supporting the championship, however were refused entry to an event held at Anglesey Circuit. Championships are imposing rules that are affecting our championships. Irony is that championship winner gets his tyres through Slicks!
- Paul Goodman commented that the Hillclimb numbers have dropped again, is it worth joining Sprint and Hillclimb again? Dave Thomas replied that they are different championships, however there is an overall award.
- Marshals draw:
 - January – Robbie O'Brien
 - February – Stephen Smith
 - March – Ieuan Roberts
 - April – Chris Jarvis

PRESS OFFICER

- Nothing to report but keep sending info to Maurice – sd34news@gmail.com

TRAINING OFFICER

- 27th May – Stage Commander Training Day 1
- 16th June – Hands on marshal training at an autosolo event
- 19th August – Fire Theory / Practical

- 4th December – First Marshal on Scene

GO MOTORSPORT!

- Recently held a successful gravel PCA at Wern Ddu quarry, next one to be held on 21st May
- 28th May – Pendle Powerfest
- 11th June – Myerscough Open Day
- 16th/17th September – Event City event – Footman James Classic Car Show
- 19th/20th August – Oulton Park Gold Cup

MSA FLO

- No report.

MSA RLO

- No report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Derek Machin asked about Three Sisters Racing Circuit. Bob Milloy reported that Wigan Council own the land and it is purely The Racing School that has gone in to administration.
- 18th June – Bangor on Dee new car show event – The Supercar & Rally Show – www.tsars.org
- Bill Wilmer commented that he has concerns over the revised SRSRs and the definition of a Supplementary Radio Point – locking vehicles and becoming marshals, the majority are 'older' type people and we may push them away from the sport. Bob will take this matter to Regional Committee

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

2017 - 14th August and 13th November

Toft Cricket Club, Booths Hall, Chelford Road, Knutsford, Cheshire, WA16 8QP. (www.toftcc.co.uk)

AGENDA

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Matters Arising

MSA Reports

Autotest

Rallies

Council

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General Secretary

Events – Association Invitations

New Member Clubs

LARA

Treasurer

Championship Coordinator

Press Officer

Training Officer

Go Motorsport

MSA Forestry Liaison Officer

MSA Route Liaison Officer

Any Other Business