



## **MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT TOFT CRICKET CLUB, KNUTSFORD ON TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2009**

### **ATTENDANCE**

19 Member Clubs represented by 18 Delegates

Accrington (Steve Johnson, John Harden), BRCA (Jim Spencer), BRMC (Derek Machin), Bolton le Moors (Steve Cawley), CSMA (Steve Johnson), Clwyd Vale (Brian Howatson), Formula 1000 (Steve Johnson), Garstang & Preston (Steve Kenyon & Terry May), Glossop (John Buckley), Kirkby Lonsdale (Katy Mashiter & Bob Milloy), Knutsford (Graham Raeburn), Liverpool (Ron Hunt & John Harden), MGCC (Paul Goodman), MS(NW), (Ann McCormack & Mark Wilkinson), Morecambe (Katy Mashiter), North Wales (Dave Thomas), Stockport 061 (Mark Wilkinson & Bob Milloy), Wallasey (Bill Turner), Warrington (Ann McCormack)

Officials present:

Bob Milloy (Chairman), Ron Hunt (Vice Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (General Secretary), Dave Thomas (Championship Coordinator), Katy Mashiter (Press), Derek Machin (Training Officer) & John Harden (Aintree Liaison)

Apologies received from:

Treasurer (Eric Cowcill), RLO (Gordon Pirie)

Club delegates from:

Graeme Forrester (Wigton), Sue Sanders-Peppitt, Michael Ashcroft (Aintree and Longton), Derek Lawson (Aintree), Karen Spencer (Slaithwaite and Lindholme), Eve Fisher (Bury and CSMA), Mike Harris (Wallasey), Martin Nield (Lancs & Ches and MS(NW)), Martin & Helen Fox (Wigan)

### **WELCOME**

The Chairman, Bob Milloy, welcomed delegates to the meeting. Bob also welcomed Ben Taylor (MSA Marketing & Communications Consultant) to the meeting.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the August 2009 General Meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed by Steve Kenyon (GPMC) and seconded by Derek Machin (BRMC).

### **MATTERS ARISING**

- Timekeepers list – still ongoing, Eric dealing with
- Cholmondley – have sent notification around of 2010 event as 17/18 July, ANWCC will have a stand again.

### **MSA REPORTS**

Ben Taylor gave the following brief background:

- Has been involved with MSA since 2003.
- Race Elite, Rally Elite, Volunteers in Motorsport, Go Motorsport, Lets Go Karting – various projects all wrapped into "Whole Sport Plan".
- "Grow" – Get more people involved
- "Sustain" – Invest in people/infrastructure for club
- "Excel" – Find the best talent and give the opportunity.
- 8 minutes of prime time TV coverage on Abu Dhabi Grand Prix, with 6-8 million viewers
- £1m per year is going into the 3 pillars to promote and generate the sport
- A presentation on the Whole Sport Plan is available from Mark Wilkinson

### **GO MOTORSPORT!**

- RDOs have been targeted with delivering 40 sessions in schools – getting the message/opportunities out.
- If a club has a link with school – let Steve know and he'll work alongside.  
Councils have funding for opportunities i.e. Road Safety Day
- An example of this is "Royal Yachting Association" – they have 28 RDOs and 40 part-time staff.

### **AUTOTEST**

- No report

## **RALLIES**

- Control procedures now line with FIA
- Rally Clerks need to be licensed – see Motorsport Now! for more information of when it comes into force
- Rotary engines – capacity multiplication has been confirmed as 1.5

## **SPRINT & HILLCLIMB**

- John Harden and Ron Hunt gave resumé of rules that they and Martin Nield have been working on – creating a unified set of classes for sprinting, along with a good description on what is a good sprint car standard – all based on Blue Book.

## **COUNCIL**

- Eric had provided a resumé of the meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> September
- Robert Reid and Ben Taylor gave a presentation on the Whole Motor Sport Development Strategy which was very informative. This really needs disseminating to the Clubs to show the members what is happening in this area - it is one of the biggest strategies that MSA have been involved in. Part of the strategy is to engage more people in the sport through Go Motorsport etc and also to retain them. Also there is a structure to the Elite training programme and anyone on that scheme will benefit from additional educational support so that they have other skills to fall back upon.
- Many rule changes were approved for inclusion in the 2010 Blue Book. Some for racing and rallying are merely changes in wording to fall in line with the wording of current FIA regulations.  
Drivers of 14 years of age will be allowed in Car Trials from Jan 2010  
Clerks of Course for Special Stage Rallies using Closed roads and all National A and International Stage Rallies must be licensed from Jan 2010, from Jan 2011 all Clerks of Multi-Venue Stage Rallies will have to be licensed and from Jan 2012 this will be extended to ALL stage rallies. Any current Clerks who are not licensed would be advised to consider getting themselves licensed beforehand.  
It is recommended for 2010 and will become mandatory in 2011 for all competitors in single venue competitions and also Autotests to have a spill kit available to absorb spillages of up to 1.5 litres. This must be disposed of in a manner complying with local and national guidelines. Rescue Units and organisers of events are also encouraged to have such kits available. Disposal of the kits afterwards may vary from area to area.
- As mandated at the last ANWCC meeting, I brought up the suggestion of an MSA Forum. This did not meet with universal approval but it was agreed to study the possibility of such a forum and contact would be made with Derek Machin accordingly.
- I also mentioned Alternative Energy vehicles in motor sport. This matter is to be debated at a future meeting, probably in December. My feeling is that we should have a framework of rules in place before these vehicles compete so that participants know what classes they are in, what equivalences if any may apply, what safety requirements may be required etc. Terminologies have been agreed already to define many of these categories.
- I also mentioned to MSA executives the possibility of running an AutoSolo event as part of the ANWCC involvement in the Cholmondeley Pageant of Power under the GoMotorsport banner. Everyone so far is very enthusiastic about this, especially Ben Taylor. I mentioned this to Ian Watson from BARC who similarly is keen. The one issue would be the cars used for the public would have their cars a distance away in public parking and it was suggested that maybe either Steve Johnson or Tristan Dodd may be able to source such as Nissan Micra's for the public to use with a minimal charge being levied. Steve's thoughts as the local GoMotorsport facilitator would be important.
- At the time of the meeting, dialogue was still being continued with the Welsh Assembly for Rally GB and we now know that this was successful and that the rally looks to continue in south Wales for the future.
- Also there is indecision where the British Grand Prix will be. This is out of MSA's hands for they will organise the event wherever it is held. An early decision would be helpful obviously but this looks unlikely.

## **REGIONAL**

- 1450 events on Go Motorsport website, 121 clubs have added their details.
- Motorsport News will put details in "What's On" if they have the details 2 weeks prior to the issue – please email details to Sean Moriarty at [sean.moriarty@haymarket.com](mailto:sean.moriarty@haymarket.com)
- Club Development Fund – still can't spend the money, but as previously said ring Allan first before filling form in.
- Both Scottish Associations are now one association.
- Event grading – Ian Davis is looking at this, talk of possibly just one National level and one level of Club.
- Inter Association Road Rally – would have won this however normal Inter Association rules didn't apply!!

## REPORTS

### GENERAL SECRETARY

- Invitation to Cholmondley Pageant of Power – 17/18 July 2010
- ANCC Minutes – 29<sup>th</sup> June
- SACC Minutes – 1<sup>st</sup> September
- Club of Year nominations for Knutsford, Accrington and Kirkby Lonsdale
- Forestry Allocations for 2010
- Motorsports Now! Autumn 2009
- MSA Seminars 2010 – North Western 28 February Runcorn area
- British Aerospace Woodford closure – Dave Auden wrote in to MSA suggesting MSA lease the land, however this isn't something the MSA can get involved in.  
Paul Goodman gave a report that Stockport Council are currently in consultation until 25 November over potential uses – "Strategy on Core Strategy"

### EVENT INVITATIONS

- Legend Fires North West Stages – 5/6 February 2010 – [www.nwstages.co.uk](http://www.nwstages.co.uk)
- Riponian Stages – 14 February 2010 – [www.riponian.co.uk](http://www.riponian.co.uk)
- Altratech 061 Road Rally – 15/16 May 2010 – [www.061roadrally.co.uk](http://www.061roadrally.co.uk)

### NEW MEMBER CLUBS

- Westmorland Motor Club – Proposed Ann McCormack (Warrington), Seconded Derek Machin (BRMC)

### TREASURER

- As at the meeting, the following clubs were still outstanding payment for 2010 association membership  
Aberystwyth & District Motor Club  
Alwoodley Motor Club  
Barcud Motor Club  
Formula 1000 Rally Club  
German Car Club  
High Moor Motor Club (Oldham)  
Knutsford & District Motor Club  
Westfield Sports Car Club  
Whitchurch Motor Club

### CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR

- 120 events run so far, with 2 stage, 1 road and 1 autosolo to go.
- Awards presentation is on Saturday 30 January 2010 at Manchester Airport Holiday Inn.
- If any clubs are putting regs online, please email link to website and not the file
- Marshal Draw:  
August – Alison Griffiths – C&A  
September – Philip Simpson - Myerscough  
October – Ken Wilkinson – Stockport 061  
All receiving £25 cash.

### FORESTRY LIAISON OFFICER

- No report

### AINTREE LIAISON OFFICER

- Greenpower event was a great success – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010  
38 teams entered, 29 competed on the day.  
3 hour endurance event was great success and went to time.
- Another club has made contact with ALO which is positive.

### OTHER VENUE LIAISON

- Paul Goodman asked re the future of Donington as it's a great loss of a club venue, so need to save it. Ben replied that this unfortunately is an unknown due to Tom's death and what will be happening to the lease, waiting for Kevin Wheatcroft to take over the Limited company.

### PRESS OFFICER

- No report

## TRAINING OFFICER

- Dates for 2010 are:

23 January	Rescue Training & Assessment	Lancaster
30 January	Marshal Training ANWCC	Stockport
31 January	Marshal Training ANCC	York
20/21 February	Race Training	Oulton Park
7 March	Speed Training	Loton Park
7 March	Rally Training	Derby
12 March	Rally Marshal	Accrington
14 May	Rally Marshal	Accrington
6 June	Fire Training	Oulton Park
11 June	Fire Training	Accrington
September	Recovery Training	Chesterfield
September	Rescue Training	Carlisle
10 September	Timekeeper Training	Accrington
- At the moment WAMC, ANECC, ASEMC or AWMMC haven't put any training dates in for 2010.
- All links to training days are on [www.volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk](http://www.volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk)
- Clubs need to pass these dates on to their members – only 20% of attendees found out about the 2009 dates via their clubs.

## MSA CTRL

- No report

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Derek commented that we all need to return the survey which was found in the recent "Marshal" – results for this year were skewed as 2000 race marshals returned surveys, and this has now been extended to the 7000 rally and also speed and kart marshals.

## NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 9 February 2010 – 20.00, along with 2009 Annual General Meeting

Monday 10 May 2010

Monday 9 August 2010

Tuesday 9 November 2010

Toft Cricket Club, Booths Hall, Chelford Road, Knutsford, Cheshire, WA16 8QX. ([www.toftcc.co.uk](http://www.toftcc.co.uk))

## AGENDA

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Matters Arising

MSA Reports

Autotest

Rallies

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Council

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General Secretary

Events – Association Invitations

New Member Clubs

Treasurer

Championship Coordinator

Aintree Liaison Officer

Other Venues

Press Officer

Training Officer

Go Motorsport

MSA Forestry Liaison Officer

MSA Route Liaison Officer

Any Other Business