



The Association of Northern Car Clubs

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Minutes of the Spring General Meeting held at the Whitcliffe Mount Sports Centre on 25th April 2005.

Present:

John Richardson, (Chairman), Iain Tullie (Hon. Sec), Tim Bendelow (Dates).

Delegates were present from the following 20 clubs:

Alwoodley, BARC (Yorks), BRSCC (N), Clitheroe, Darlington, De Lacy, Huddersfield, Ilkley, Lindholme, Liverpool, Malton, NORC, SD34, Selby, S&H, 2300, Wakefield, Wigan and York.

Colin Valentine (Ilkley) attended as a guest.

A delegate from HRCR was also in attendance to support their application to join ANCC.

1. Apologies.

Dave Barker (Hon Treasurer), Durham, Glossop, Motor Sports (North West), Stockport. The Hon. Secretary apologised to the meeting for problems with minutes which had been emailed to delegates but not received.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 31st January 2005.

The minutes were accepted as a correct account of the meeting. Proposed by Lindholme and seconded by BARC.

3. Matters Arising.

- Green Lanes / DEFRA – this had come to prominence again with the recent introduction of the single payment scheme. The MSA was challenging this through LARA and all clubs should have received a form to return, which would lend support to the MSA's challenge.
- BTRDA PCT Open Meeting – this was reported to have been very blinkered, demonstrating no desire to look at where any new 'market' for Production Car Trials may be.
- Annual Prize Presentation – Phil Short was our guest and he was well received by the audience of around 100 people.

4. Treasurers Report.

Dave Barker was unable to attend.

5. Invitations to the Association.

30th April – VSCC Northern Rally

15th May – John Overend Stage Rally, North Humberside.

21st/22nd May – Danum Road Rally, Lindholme.

29th May – 'Yorkshire Experience' at Harewood, Westfield Sports Car Club.

30th / 31st July – BTRDA & Inter Association Autotest, Alwoodley MC. Marshals were requested for the IA event, also opportunities for clubs to sponsor a test.

14th-16th October – Tunnock's Tour of Mull, 2300 Club.

19th-22nd November – Roger Albert Clark Rally, De Lacy MC.

6. Applications for Membership.

An application had been received from HRCR. Stan Appleton summarised the club's activities, with 2,500 members they are perceived as a 'Southern' club, but hold a lot of events in the North and joining the ANCC will help them develop and hopefully remove the 'Sothem' tag. It was proposed Alwoodley, seconded Darlington and carried that their application be accepted.

7. Alteration to Dates / Status.

Durham Dales Historic Rally now on 25th September.

Huddersfield's Steve Powell Autotest now on 3rd July.

Bolton's 'Bolton Midnight' Road Rally now on 15th / 16th September.

8. Mailing List Alteration.

None.

9. Championship Co-ordinators' Reports.

Autotests – Graham Whitaker reported only 11 registrations, with 4 of them out on the first round. This was not for lack of trying! S&H are keen to put an event on, as are clubs in the North East of the region. Clubs report that venues are hard to come by. The possibility of a Noise Test at the Inter Association event had been put forward as there had been a very noisy car at the venue in Rufforth on a previous event.

Production Car Trials – John Spencer was unable to attend. The Wakefield PCT run to Colin Valentine's suggested classes ran with 15 entries but had not been well promoted, for which the Hon. Secretary apologised.

Road Rallies – Just under 90 contenders this year, with four rounds now gone. There had been a Police problem on the Bruce Robinson in February, no fault of the organisers. This was now in the capable hands of Lincs RLO Gerry Blythe.

Speed – Despite some technical problems this new series was now up and running, with 5 events to count from 6.

10. Time, Date & Place of next Meeting

Monday 27th June, 8pm, Whitcliffe Mount.

11. Correspondence.

Please contact the Hon. Secretary if you require copy of any of the following items:

£50 for clubs when they get 5 members to subscribe to Motorsport News, at discounted rates.

Minutes/newsletters/yearbooks from:

LCAMC, EMAMC, ANECCC, ANEMMC and ANWCC

MSA letters:

Motor Sports Now!, The Marshal.

No newsletters had been received from clubs.

12. R.L.O. / F.L.O. / Training Officer Reports.

F.L.O:

Nothing to report.

R.L.O:

Please note two new blackspots on the latest lists, one on map 97, one on 98.

TRAINING:

Bob Wright is now putting together ideas for next Winter's seminars. All feedback and suggestions gratefully received.

13. MSA / Regional Committee / ACU / Sports Council matters.

There was some discussion about the MSA's proposed new road rally technical regulations. The question was raised whether the regulations also apply to course cars and this in turn led into a discussion as to whether course / safety car drivers on stage rallies should be licenced. All these matters were up for discussion at the next Rallies Committee meeting, at which the Chairman said he would put across the Association's views.

14. Motions received.

None.

16. Other Business.

The lack of promotion and correspondence from the PCT championship co-ordinator, regarding the 2005 series was suggested as a likely reason that the championship was struggling. The Chairman confirmed that this was on the agenda for the next Management Committee meeting.

Meeting closed at: 9.30pm