



The Association of Northern Car Clubs

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Minutes of the Winter General Meeting held at the Whitcliffe Hotel on 29th Jan 2007.

Present:

John Richardson, (Chairman), Steve Smith (Standing in as Hon. Sec.), Graham Whitaker (Acting Treasurer), Tim Bendelow (Dates), Rod Parkin (FLO), Bob Wright (Training Officer), Derek Slater, Gordon Waddington.

Delegates were present from the following 23 clubs:

BRSCC (N), BMMC, Bury, CSMA, Darlington, De Lacy, Glossop, HRCR, Huddersfield, Ilkley, Lancs AC, Lindholme, Liverpool, Malton, North Humberside, Pendle, SD(34), Selby, Sheffield & Hallamshire, Trackrod, 2300, Wakefield, York.

The Chairman explained the reason for the change of venue. Sadly, after over 30 years of patronage, Whitcliffe Mount Sports Centre showed little or no enthusiasm for us to continue with our meetings there. The new venue, The Whitcliffe Hotel, had proved to be very accommodating and as such all future meetings will now be held there, including the forthcoming Awards Presentation on 23rd February, which will have a slightly different format this year. A poll of championship contenders had concluded in an informal evening with a sit down meal and guest speaker. Tickets are to be pre booked (to help with catering numbers) and no tickets will be available on the night. The cut off date for tickets is next week.

The Chairman wished to congratulate the following:

Bob Wright (ANCC Training Officer) for becoming 2006 MSA Marshal of the Year.
Rod Parkin (FLO) for his appointment as MSA Historic Committee Chairman.
Iain Tullie (ANCC Hon. Sec.) for becoming the FIA Historic Regularity Rallies Champion Navigator.

1. Apologies.

Were received from: Iain Tullie (Hon. Sec), Ian James, Phil Rees and Nick Middleton (Alwoodley).

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 30th October 2006.

HRCR were in attendance (can club Delegates please ensure they are signed on)
The minutes were accepted as a correct account of the meeting. Proposed by Lindholme and seconded by Pendle.

3. Matters Arising.

1. Local Safety Committee – see website for details.
2. Questions to Colin Hilton – see website for details.

4. Treasurer's Report.

The current account balance stood at £5296.67, all subs cheques now cashed.

5. Invitations to the Association.

24 th February	Bill Cammack Stages, Manby – Mablethorpe & DMC
17 th February	North West Stages – M.S.N.W.
10 th March	Tour of Cheshire, historic road rally – Knutsford
17 th /18 th March	Rymoor – Malton M.C.
18 th March	Phoenix Stages – Eastwood & DMC
24 th March	Border Counties Rally Wickham
15 th April	Single Venue, Drifffield – De Lacy
17 th June	BBQ Hillclimb, Harewood - Trackrod

6. Applications for Membership.

None.

7. Alteration to Dates / Status.

Corrections to website and Yearbook which will be sorted asap.

8. Mailing List Alterations.

None

9. Championship Co-ordinators' Reports.

Autotests – 2006 Championship now concluded. 2007 looking good, calendar is finalized and there are already contenders registering for championship.

Production Car Trials – It has been decided to suspend the P.C.T. championship for this year. Changes in class structure is expected from the MSA / BTRDA and it is hoped this will help move the sport forward and create more interest. John Spencer is hoping to promote the sport by offering to show clubs how to run such events, he has a team of experienced organizers who are prepared to visit interested clubs and share their knowledge, hopefully clubs will take up this offer.

Road Rallies - The first round of 2007 has run and was very successful.

Stage Rallies - No report. But similar to Road Rallies, the first round has already run.

10. Time, Date & Place of next meeting.

30th April 2007 at Whitcliffe Hotel – 8.00pm

11. Correspondence.

MSA letters: Letter from Colin Hilton Re. ANCC Oct meeting. Wheels, Forest Charges letter, Letter re. R.A.C. Rally, Motorsport Now – Winter edition, The Marshal.

Minutes/Yearbooks from: A.N.I.C.C, A.N.E.M.M.C, A.C.S.M.C, E.M.A.M.C.

Other Correspondence: Demon Tweeks Catalogue, Images at work letter.

12. Route Liaison Officers / Forestry Liaison Officer / Training Officer Reports.

R.L.O: Once again, JR reminded the clubs about the timescales for route submission, which sometimes come without sufficient postage to cover them! Both Alan Shaw and Derek Slater agreed and suggested that they would rather receive routes very early and have to alter them closer to the event than get them too late.

F.L.O: Rod Parkin announced that De Lacys R.A.C. Rally had now been sorted and will run two weeks after the Malton MC event in November.

The Forestry Commission is becoming increasingly worried about the amount of events now running at the end of the year. A long discussion ensued about F.C. charges, allocation, other finances etc. The question “do the F.C. really want us in the forests” was raised. There was a worry from HRCR that endurance events could be blamed by clubs who think F.C. budgets are being used up for grading after these events – Rod Parkin and John Richardson are to meet with both the Forestry Commission and National Parks to discuss all things motorsport in early February – this should clarify any issues for all parties concerned.

Training: Training seminars are going well. Bob Wright reminded the meeting that all training dates and venues are listed on the Volunteers in Motorsport website - <http://www.volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk> (link on ANCC website).

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

There has been no meetings since the last meeting.

14. Motions received. - None

15. Other Business. - None

Meeting closed at: 9.15 pm