



The Association of Northern Car Clubs

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Minutes of the Autumn & Special General Meeting held at the Whitcliffe Hotel on 29th October 2007.

Prior to the start of the meeting, the chairman welcomed members of Wakefield & DMSC, who presented a cheque to Richard Ashton of Calder Rescue following a sponsored bike ride from Parklands to Oliver's Mount. Richard expressed his gratitude for this donation and thanked all clubs for their support, without which providing the service would not be possible.

Present:

John Richardson, (Chairman), Iain Tullie (Hon. Sec.), Graham Whitaker (Acting Treasurer), Tim Bendelow (Dates Co-ordinator), Derek Slater, John Spencer, Alan Shaw, Chris Woodcock.

Delegates were present from the following 21 clubs:

Alwoodley & BRSCC (G Whitaker), BRMC / BMMC (Phil Rees), Clitheroe (C Woodcock), Darlington (R Wright), De Lacy (S Walshaw & G James), Durham (I Dixon), Glossop (J Buckley), Hadrian (I Dixon), HRCR (S Appleton), Huddersfield (G Coates & S Holland), Ilkley (J Spencer), Lancs AC (E Heath), Liverpool (J Harden), Malton (D Holliday), North Humberside (D James), Pendle (A Shaw), Spadeadam (J Hettrick), Stockport 061 (A Chambers), 2300 (W Bateson), Wakefield (D Slater).

The Chairman also welcomed Simon Kingsley of Northern Phoenix MC who had applied for ANCC membership.

Items 6 and 7 on the agenda, which constituted the E.G.M. business carried forward from the June A.G.M, were addressed first:

7. Changes to Association Rules.

Copies of the proposed changes had been circulated to delegates. The Chairman summarized the changes and proposed they be accepted. This was seconded by HRCR and carried unanimously.

6. Election of Officers & Management Committee.

Graham Whitaker was nominated as Hon. Treasurer, having been acting in the role for several months. It was proposed Hadrian, seconded Pendle and carried unanimously that he be elected. John Clegg had resigned as Vice Chairman, Derek Shepherd had resigned from the Management Group. No nominations were received to replace these two, the Management Group would discuss this at their next meeting. All other Officers had agreed to carry on for 2008.

1. Apologies.

Were received from: G Waddington (Management Committee), I James (Management Committee), M Yates (Stage Coordinator), Carlton, CSMA (NW), Kirkby Lonsdale, Lancs & Cheshire, Lindholme, Selby, York.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 25th June 2007.

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

3. Matters Arising.

The MSA had received 23 nominations for their 'Next Generation' (U25's) Committee. They were all invited to an inaugural forum on 3rd October, with further meetings planned for 2008.

Inter-Association Events: A.N.C.C. teams finished 3rd and 4th on the recent Clitheronian Road Rally, which was won by London Counties. A.N.E.M.M.C. won the stage event on Mull, unfortunately none of the A.N.C.C. teams finished.

Child Protection Officers: All clubs would still be required to appoint a C.P.O, unless they were able to convince the M.S.A. (through Allan Dean-Lewis) that they have no contact with under 18's and require exemption. The M.S.A. had also written to clubs asking them for their support in completing disclosure forms for licenced officials.

4. Chairman's Report.

This was presented at the June meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer reported that accounts had now gone into Companies House and that now elected, he would be registered as a director. Of the 75 member clubs this year, 71 had renewed their subs for 2008, only three of those being late.

In future it is intended to show all championship balances 'lumped' together in the accounts.

8. Invitations to the Association.

9 th December	Hall Trophy Stages, Weeton	Clitheroe	(postponed from September)
16 th Feb 2008	North West Stages, Lancs	Motorsport (NW)	
2008 T.M.S.G. Navigational Rally Series			

All the above invitations were accepted unanimously.

9. Applications for Membership.

An application had been received from Northern Phoenix. Simon Kingsley reported that the club was 10 years old with 115 members. They hold fifteen sporting trials each year, of which five are B.T.R.D.A. / M.S.A. events. They are not currently members of an association and many of their members are keen to branch out into other areas of the sport. They would also be able to represent A.N.C.C. at the Inter Association Sporting Trial in November.

The application was proposed Pendle, seconded Ilkley and carried unanimously.

10. Alteration to Dates / Status.

Most clubs had submitted their 2008 dates to Tim Bendelow. An amendment to their dates had been received from Lancs & Cheshire which would be incorporated into the calendar and yearbook.

11. Mailing List Alterations.

The Secretary read out a list of clubs for whom dates or details for 2008 had not been received. Grimsby, Jowett and Pennine Rescue had resigned from the Association for 2008. It was noted that Grimsby co-promote a round of the stage championship and used to run a Trials championship round.

12. Championship Co-ordinators' Reports.

Autotests – Graham Whitaker reported that the championship had gone 'down to the wire' the previous Sunday, but was still awaiting results to see the final outcome! The 13 rounds run had an average of 10 contenders. Autosolos were increasing in popularity in the West but need our support in the East, they work well when run alongside a 'traditional' autotest.

Road Rallies - The last three rounds had run with good entries, the remaining round is Beverley's 'Beaver', celebrating its 30th anniversary. Steve Retchless and Ian Gibbins were confirmed as the 2007 champions.

Stage Rallies - Mike's regular bulletins show another successful year with the final events coming up in November and December.

Production Car Trials - John Spencer had received promises of four possible events running in 2008 and needs another two to get the championship up and running again. Ilkley & DMC are running an event to the new M.S.A. rules in December, regs were circulated to delegates at the meeting.

13. Time, Date & Place of next meeting.

Monday 28th January 2008 at Whitcliffe Hotel – 8.00pm.

The other 2008 delegates meetings would be on the last Monday in April, June and October.

Friday 22nd February 2008 at Whitcliffe Hotel – Awards Evening.

14. Correspondence.

M.S.A. letters:

Regional Committee Nomination form;

Annual Accounts 2006;

Motorsports Now!;

Volunteers in Motorsport September Newsletter;

Nomination for Rallies Committee – our nomination of Martin Shaw had not been successful;

Forest Enterprise 2008 Allocations – this raised discussion of a number of items:

The Riponian was running again, on 10th February with Alan Hill as new Clerk of Course;

Clitheroe, Stockton and T.M.S.G. were discussing running the Hamsterley Stages on 14th September with Ripon's consent;

North Humberside had not wanted the 29th March as this was in the middle of the Easter holidays;

De Lacy's Roger Albert Clark date (14th November) depended on East Africa and N.Z. historic dates.

Agendas / Minutes from: A.C.S.M.C; A.N.E.M.M.C; A.N.W.C.C;

Other Correspondence:

Autotest and Stage Championship bulletins;

'Wheels' supplement – Aug - Nov editions;

Various event regulations;

Invitation to the Inter Association Autocross (held in August) – Cramlington in the North East were believed to be very active in this discipline;

The Chairman read an email confirming Colway Tyres closure – S Appleton asked if this would have any implications on the forestry agreement for endurance road rallies? Not known at this early stage.

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

R.L.O: Nothing to report.

F.L.O: The Chairman reported that charges are currently being re-negotiated and will only rise in line with the Retail Price Index for the next three years. The anomalies that currently exist in the charging will not be changed until the concordat is reviewed in three years time.

Training: Details of the January training days are on the A.N.C.C. and V.I.M. websites and would be sent out direct to clubs. Club Officials Seminar for 2008 will be at Brighthouse on 23rd February.

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

All the new rules for 2008 have been ratified and are listed in the latest Motorsports Now! A number of issues were raised that were going to be put to John Symes, who did not attend the meeting.

I Dixon enquired about the change in capacity limit on new young stage drivers passing their B.A.R.S. test. The Chairman confirmed that Rallies Committee had decided to increase the limit from 1000 to 1200cc, due to the number of cars available as 1100 or 1200cc. This had gone back to Rallies Committee from Council in September, so it is unlikely to be changed in the 2008 regulations.

17. Motions received. - None

18. Other Business.

Marshals were requested for the forthcoming Roger Albert Clark Rally – Friday evening at Elland Road, Leeds for scrutineering (Graham Whitaker) and Sunday afternoon for Kershope Special Stage (Iain Tullie).

The Chairman apologized for John Symes' absence from the meeting and would follow this up, as we had received no correspondence advising he would not be able to attend.

Meeting closed at: 10.00 pm