



The Association of Northern Car Clubs

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MINUTES – Monday 24TH October 2011

Apologies:

Apologies of absence were received from the following officers: Iain Tullie/David James/Bob Wright/Alan Shaw.

Clubs: Gordon Dundee (Durham), Bob Milloy (KL), Martin Neild (L&C), David Bell (LAC), Phil Rees (BRM), Charlie Tynan (Hadrian), Mike Jones.

Present:

Officers: Chris Woodcock (CW), Karen Spencer, John Spencer, Derek Slater, Donna Harper, Tim Bendelow, Donna Harper., John Richardson, Gordon Waddington, Tim Bendelow,

Club Representatives: William Kelly (O61), Walter Bateson (2300), Steve Walshaw (De-Lacy), Graham Coates (Huddersfield), Martin Law (Autonomy), Malcolm Lister, David Pope (Lindholme), Steve Johnson (CSMA), John Harden (Liverpool), Graham Harper (Malton), Nicola Harper (YWC), Rod Parkin, Steve Stringwell (Trackrod).

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting on the 4th July were read out and accepted.

Matters Arising:

None

Treasurers Report:

GSW sent a report advising we had £7776.72 in the bank.

Invitations to the Association:

Clitheroe Hall Trophy Rally @ Blyth.

Inter Association Autotest – 2nd June 2012 in Northern Ireland

Applications for Membership

Buxton have now resigned from their application and GSW has refunded all monies.

Mailing List Alterations

Amended Steve Johnson email address to steve.johnson@csmaclub.org

Alteration to Dates / Status

None

Championship Co-Ordinator Reports:

Autotests – GSW advised it has been a disappointing year – lack of entrants only 8 and events. Any ideas of how things can be improved for 2012 will be considered and if you have any ideas please contact him.

Stage Rallies – PS reported there are 3 rounds left and six drivers and five navigators can still win the championship.

2012 is well under way, just waiting on a couple of clubs and looking as possibly having a 1000CC Class.

Trials – JRS reported that he had over 20 registered contenders. 4 rounds have taken place the last been Wakefield but not many ANCC Competitors attended. Only 1 round left to go.

Road Rallies – Only 1 round left – Beaver Road Rally.

Winter Challenge – NH – So far 21 competitors have signed up. The first round was the Trackrod and things are going well.

Time, Date & Place of next Meeting:

Monday 23rd JANUARY 2012 – 8pm – Whitcliffe Hotel.

(NOT AS PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED)

Correspondance

None

RLO / FLO / Training

RLO – John Richardson – Routes to RLO's have to be in on time – at least a month – failure to do so may result in the route been declined. If you are sending the route in my email – then make sure it is of the highest possible quality as it would be nice to see the route on the map!! Get your route in early as John has already received 7 events for the same weekend in April 2012 already!!

FLO - Rod Parkin – Thank you to everyone involved on the Trackrod Rally Yorkshire.

The Forest Users Group had met and have been liaising with the Forestry Commission to see if any improvements can be made – they have been very receptive of the FUG's ideas and are looking at them.

A possible allocation could be available for forest usage in the Summer months possibly Langdale or Harewood Dale which would suit a 30/40 mile rally – please contact JHR if you are interested.

TRAINING – Bob sent an email to advise – Training at Stockport will be on Saturday 28th January 2012 and at Askham Bryan on Sunday 29th January 2012. Funds have been applied for and should be in place.

Any Other Business:

CW welcomed Colin Hilton – MSA Chief Executive and Tony Scott Andrews – Chairman of Motor Sports Council.

Colin advised that recently the MSA had spent a lot of money on “consultants” through the GoMotorsport and Academy programmes. There has been some restructuring in the MSA and they have now recruited Ben Taylor to join the team. Ben will be responsible for PR, communications and dealing with Westminster. Alan Dean Lewis will look after the training and development side of things.

The Rally Review (Steve Stringwell) has now come to conclusion and the report will go back to council in December prior to going public. See Steve for more information

Wales Rally GB will more than likely stay in Wales in 2012 as they are looking to extend the existing contract. 2013 to 2015 is open to negotiation. It costs approx £3 million to put the event on.

Licences are only down year on year by 26.

The number of permits issued is only down 5%.

The campaign for closed roads continues – things are positive and the MSA is still pushing this forward.

Tony Scott Andrews – was here to see and listen as to what the council can do to help us. If we don't like the way things are progressing then we need to make them aware. Tony is a past racer, steward, international steward and been on the judicial committee. He has been around!

Questions were then invited from the floor:-

Where is the sport now compared to 10 years ago?

6/7 years ago the MSA decided to develop the sport so it restructured itself and provided funding so it can be seen to be seen as a regulator that is developing the sport and not be classed as a promoter. They are doing all they can to encourage younger people into the sport – it's a matter of getting them in and then keeping and looking after them.

As a CPO – what training is the MSA providing for us?

At the moment nothing – this is something they are looking into.

Would the MSA look at making it compulsory that all competitors have a Personal Accident Policy in place?

It is too expensive for the MSA to provide a blanket cover. However a good scheme is available from JLT. It needs to be drilled through to competitors that they need to protect themselves...

Scheduled Timing on events – it is now possible for competitors to beat bogey times - can the speeds be increased?

Definitely not – they need limiting due to insurance restrictions.

Can events use International Timing – no.

We need to find a way to slow things down – whether it be tyre restrictions, normal fuel or championships changing their regulations.

Environmental problems eg noise and air pollution – is the MSA doing anything about it?

The goal posts are moving slowly and the MSA have this hand and are looking at the issues.

Chris Woodcock thanked our guests for attending.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm.

DELEGATES MEETING DATES FOR 2012

23rd January

16th April

2nd July

22nd October

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Management Team at the ANCC

