

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT TOFT CRICKET CLUB, KNUTSFORD ON MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

**ATTENDANCE**

Jim Jones (C&A), Dave Thomas (North Wales), Jim Spencer (BRCA & Hagley), Bill Turner (Wallasey), Mike Harris (Wallasey & BRSCC NW), Tom Dooley (BRSCC NW), Martin Nield (Lancs & Ches & Motor Sport NW), David Rainsbury (MGCC NW), Paul Goodman (MGCC NW), Michael Ashcroft (ACC & Longton), Maurice Ellison (Clitheroe & Hexham), Steve Johnson (Accrington, CSMA, F100 & U17), Graham Maxwell (Accrington & CSMA), Mike Vokes (Knutsford), Kris Coombes (Preston), Louis Baines (Preston), Rod Pierce (116), Brian Howatson (Clwyd Vale), Steve Kenyon (Garstang & Preston), Mark Wilkinson (2300, Gemini, Stockport 061 & Motor Sport NW), Bob Milloy (KLMC & Stockport 061), Eric Cowcill (PAN), John Harden (Liverpool)

Officials present were Bob Milloy (Chairman), John Harden (Vice Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (Secretary), Eric Cowcill (Treasurer), Dave Thomas (Championship).

Apologies were received from Bill Wilmer (Gemini), Karen Spencer (Buccaneer, Lindholme & Team Duck), Katy Mashiter (KLMC & Cumbrian Rover), Matt Thompson (Buxton & District Land Rover)

**WELCOME & MINUTES**

The Chairman, Bob Milloy, welcomed all delegates to the meeting.

The minutes of the November 2014 General Meeting were then accepted as a true record, proposed by Bill Turner and seconded by Mike Ashcroft.

**MATTERS ARISING**

- Sport England still "rattles on". MSA have now talked to ACU, unfortunately Ian Davis / Rob Jones were drafted to a meeting in Penrith on day of Regional, however the message back from Ian Davis was that "they're not bothered" and are happy with the situation as is.
- Radio – Ofcom have now allocated a second frequency, but not likely to come in to place before WRGB15, problem has been trying to find a frequency that doesn't walk over other channels. ADL is looking at finance to possibly fund alterations, maybe through CDF.

**MSA REPORTS**

**AUTOTEST**

- Meet next month.

**RALLIES**

Met on 27/01, however no minutes available; notes produced show:

- Rally car weights & measures – results came out in table, homologated cars have to be weighed, those under were "specials".
- Discussion about rally car tracking systems – MSA have had to balance cost, met with 10 suppliers and narrowed to 4, 2 to be appraised on the Mid Wales Stages (RallySafe & KwikTrak) and 2 on the Malcolm Wilson Rally.
- Entry levels at rallies – small working group appointed.
- Were tasked with thinking of 3 words that describe motorsport.
- Closed Roads – DeReg bill is going to take third and final reading in the Lords on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, and would then get Royal Consent by 31<sup>st</sup> March. Legislation by the end of this year is looking slim.
- John Symes has produced a Buying guidance in respect of FIA homologated seats.

**COUNCIL**

- Meeting soon.

**REGIONAL**

Met 11<sup>th</sup> February

- Environmental – John Symes appears to have "fallen out" with Technical, so Inspector is on the back-burner
- Changing Dates – being looked at by Council  
Ian Davis is looking at the latest date you can accept entries
- Rob Jones is ending his Chair of FIA Ethical Committee
- "Race & Respect" karting initiative launched
- Report on Cross Country Committee
- Safety Advisory produced information on use of Drones – must comply with CAA licence criteria
- Road Rally timekeepers – if timed to less than a minute you are supposed to have Chief Timekeeper from Regional Timekeeper List or MSA Licensed Timekeeper

Anyone running an event, please forward name of Chief Timekeeper (not a marshal with a clock) of who you would like listing on the list. Michael Duncan at MSA will then look after this list.

- Marshal Register – Grandfather Rights – send CV to Alan Page at MSA if you feel your grade is incorrect.
- Scottish Government Review – recommendations are very sound  
Review of Media Accreditation and what can do.  
MSA Safety Delegate – first person to be selected for Scotland is Nicky Moffitt  
Marshal Registration may become licensed but FOC due to funding for training.
- MSA paid 16% of insurance and 50% of permit fees back to clubs.  
Self-funding of insurance is working well, intention is to not reduce fees but maintain.

## **REPORTS**

### **GENERAL SECRETARY**

- Letter from Bulldog Recovery “selling” their services for events – Mal 07813 432 982 / Chris 07855 282 230

### **MINUTES RECEIVED FROM OTHER REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

#### **LARA**

- Pressure from DeReg group from ant-group, government is not accepting any amendments to it.
- Unsocial activities of unlicensed activities – quad bikes etc
- Powys – Marsden case; proven that Solicitor was lying - £8000 costs settled out of court.
- Embracing new technologies – now on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Motoring-Organisations-Land-Access-Recreation-Association-LARA/1387287081581104?ref=ts>
- Section 30 Footpaths in Cumbria curtailed, none of 3 rallies have co-operated, costs £500 per event. Cumbria were suggesting a blanket cover and then each event to “turn on” for their event.  
MSA were thanked for their £10,000 donation
- West Midlands injunction on any assembly of cars in Black Country.

### **EVENT INVITATIONS**

#### **NEW MEMBER CLUBS**

- North Humberside Motor Club - <http://www.northhumbersidemotorclub.co.uk/>
- Preston Motorsport Club - <http://prestonmotorsport.club/>
- British Women Racing Drivers Club - <http://www.bwrdc.co.uk/>
  - Subject to MSA approval of Preston Motorsport Club, all approved and welcomed to the Association

### **TREASURER**

- 102 clubs paid, outstanding are Alwoodley, Bury, Dovey Valley, Hagley, High Moor, L&C Rover Owners, Morgan Sports, Mull

### **CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR**

- 170 registrations to date (143 last year)
- 11 events to date
- Marshals draw:
  - November – Les Fragle
  - December – Jeremy Turner
  - January – Geoff Buchanan

### **PRESS OFFICER**

- Nothing to report

### **TRAINING OFFICER**

- Dates for 2016:
  - Stockport – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January
  - York – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January

### **GO MOTORSPORT!**

- NEC joint stand worked well
- Working with Ormskirk MotorFest to improve on last year
- Event City (September) will be back again
  
- “Taking Motorsport to the People”

### **MSA FLO**

- No report.

### **MSA RLO**

- No report.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Mike Ashcroft reported that it’s unlikely will be able to use car park.
- Tom Dooley would like to propose a vote of thanks to the Chair.

## **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

2015 - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May, Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August & Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

2016 - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August & Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November

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

## AGENDA

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Matters Arising

MSA Reports

Autotest

Rallies

Council

Regional

Reports

General Secretary

Association Minutes Received

LARA

Events – Association Invitations

New Member Clubs

Treasurer

Championship Coordinator

Press Officer

Training Officer

Go Motorsport

MSA Forestry Liaison Officer

MSA Route Liaison Officer

Any Other Business

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