



## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT TOFT CRICKET CLUB, KNUTSFORD ON MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2017

### ATTENDANCE

Dave Thomas (North Wales), Jim Spencer (BRCA & Hagley), David Gregory (Quinton), Eric Cowcill (PAN), Mike Harris (Wallasey & BRSCC NW), Jerry Lucas (Wallasey), Bill Turner (Wallasey), Dave Read (Warrington & MSNW), Graham Maxwell (Boundless by CSMA), Steve Johnson (Under 17 & AMSC), Bill Wilmer (Gemini & SD34), Maurice Ellison (Clitheroe), John Harden (Liverpool), Paul Goodman (MGCC NW), Steve Mather (Bolton-le-Moors), Steve Southall (Broughton Bretton), Gareth Roberts (Broughton Bretton), Chris Winstanley (Longton), Katy Mashiter (Kirkby & Morecambe), Derek Machin (BRMC), Martin Wildsmith (Buccaneer), Bob Milloy (Kirkby & Stockport 061), Mark Wilkinson (Stockport 061, MSNW & 2300)

Officials present were Bob Milloy (Chairman), John Harden (Vice-Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (Secretary), Jim Spencer (Treasurer), Dave Thomas (Championship), Katy Mashiter (Training), Maurice Ellison (Press).

Apologies were received from Les Fragle (SD34), Lucy Owen-Moczadlo (WSSCC), Adrian Williams (Forest of Dean), David Rainsbury (MGCC NW), Kevin Ikin (Whitchurch), Nick Thornton (Two Peaks), Daniel Harper (Epynt), Pat Marchbank (Wallasey), Mike Lawson (Knutsford), Louis Baines (Preston), Kris Coombes (Preston), Bill Pardoe (Hagley), John Buckley (Glossop), Jim Jones (C&A), Tom Dooley (BRSCC), Jon Aston (Under 17 & That's Motorsport), Ann McCormack (Warrington & MSNW), Rod Pierce (116)

### WELCOME & MINUTES

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

The minutes of the May 2017 General Meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed by Katy Mashiter and seconded by Steve Johnson.

### MATTERS ARISING

- Private speed events was raised at Regional Committee, report to follow.
- Club Manual – Suze Endean reported that it is ongoing and will be looked at.
- Rallies
  - Tracking – Rob Jones commented that it won't proceed until it's functioning correctly, still being developed.
  - Yellow flags – FIA are introducing red flags in 2018, some international events are introducing red this year, MSA won't introduce until 2019.
  - Closed roads – now up for consultation in Wales.
- Three Sisters – Chris Winstanley, no-one knows full situation, but Longton are running their 3 planned events, no dates for 2018 at the moment.
- Bangor-on-Dee Car Show – the event ran and was a success, couple of cars pulled out and the weather was too hot!! Going to organise another next year, but may not be at same venue.

### MSA REPORTS

#### AUTOTEST

- Steve Johnson mentioned that they met in July, there are a few typos and in the regulations and tidying – been well received, organisers like that autosolo can carry passengers, therefore less permits required!

#### RALLIES

- Not met since our last meeting.

#### SPRINT & HILLCLIMB

- No minutes.

#### COUNCIL

- Met on 6<sup>th</sup> June – quite a few regulations were approved in racing and speed, lots of executive tidying up.
- Tyre heating – will be banned in speed as of Jan 18.
- Clarification on seat belts
- Categorisation of historic vehicles.
- Date changes allowed if stipulates within championship regulations.
- VNUK decision will be next year now.
- Championship regulations are no longer being approved, onus is on organiser, may however do sample check and 'disapprove'.

## REGIONAL

- Met on 17<sup>th</sup> May
- Still trying to get Ian Johnson as Environmental Inspector
- There was a discussion about regional championships being able to use clubman events, however competitors must have competition licence.
- Commercial sprints – would competition licence be removed if a competitor competes on a commercial event? Case is happening at the moment re a track licence – watch this space.  
Jim Spencer commented that it was a good idea to treat them as a stepping stone – a way of progressing up the ladder.
- Talked about FAI which commenced on 17<sup>th</sup> June, ongoing
- Reduction in RDO hours
- Safeguarding – MSA is still child, not yet looked at vulnerable adult
- Rally Future updates – blue badge holders – it was suggested that any of these should only be placed at mandatory radio locations alongside a radio marshal.  
Bill Wilmer suggested that mandatory be changed to minimum.
- Tracking – when it comes in, then may only be 2 events at once.  
Derek Machin asked how long would they wait until tender again? Bob Milloy replied that he will ask the question.
- Ronnie Sandham mentioned that Scrutineers aren't always identifiable at stage starts as they don't wear tabards – events need to ensure they do wear them.

## INTER-ASSOCIATION EVENTS

- Car Trials – NWCC put on and ANWCC won the event
- Autosolo – 18<sup>th</sup> June, in our patch by ANCC put on, Central Southern came up along with 5 regional associations and 8 teams entered

## REPORTS

### GENERAL SECRETARY

- Nothing to report

#### LARA

- Eric Cowcill reported that they do seem to be more stable now there is a new Chairman in place, has done a survey about where spending money etc.

### TREASURER

- A few clubs not yet renewed for 2017 – Fylde, Myerscough and Sheffield & Hallamshire.  
*Post meeting – it was decided that Fylde is a marshal club so complimentary, and S&H have had a new Treasurer and have since paid.*

### CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR

- DVT reported:
- Championships for 2017 going quite well with results coming in promptly, enabling me to update the website quickly. I do have some problems with the computer but will get on top of things. Number of registrations continues to fall slightly, so perhaps a push from clubs towards the end of the year will help.
- ANWCC won the Inter-Association Trial for the first time in history. The qualifying event was North Wales CC's Cymru Trial (with DVT and family organising with their club members!) and the team consisted of Henry Kitching, John Wadsworth and Rupert North, scoring a very narrow victory on aggregate of index figures.
- Inter-Association Stage Rally in southern Scotland soon but no interest shown from our contenders.
- Inter-Association Road Rally in Midlands coming up next month but clashed with one of our championship rounds so unlikely to get a team together.
- Awards Night is booked for Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 at Hallmark Hotel again.
- 2018 championship forms will be out soon to get permit applications in.
- Marshals draw:
  - May – Paul Cross
  - June – Alexander Barron
  - July – Paul Cross

### PRESS OFFICER

- Keep sending articles in and if anyone wants to receive direct that isn't – [sd34news@gmail.com](mailto:sd34news@gmail.com)

### TRAINING OFFICER

- Katy reported that as of 2018, MSA aren't going to be fully funding training days, not sure yet of the % but likely to be 70%, so:
  - Do we want to pick up the deficit
  - Charge a nominal fee for attendance*Post meeting note – no reduction in current funding had been confirmed, so ignore above*
- Eric Cowcill commented that funding has only been around 90% previously and we've managed to be cost effective and receive 100% funding.
- Bob Milloy suggested that we defer this as a vote, but in principle would like to cover shortfall, but will vote in November once we have the full facts.

## GO MOTORSPORT!

- Had a few good shows recently – Warrington had a stand at Tatton Park and Lancashire Auto at Royal Lancashire Show.
- Graham Maxwell is putting together a stand for the Footman James show on 16/17 September.
- Club of the Year and Volunteer of the Year nomination forms due out shortly.

## MSA FLO

- No report.

## MSA RLO

- No report.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Ormskirk MotorFest – 27<sup>th</sup> August at 11am – Take the train to see the cars
- DVT commented that he'd like to try at Targa championship, most are clubman status so this restricts us – looking at ways of possibly doing this.
- Paul Goodman asked about voluntary licencing of competition secretaries and what is the reason behind. John Harden replied that it is purely to get people's names on the MSA database so they know who is who.
- Bill Wilmer asked if an MSA Steward needs to be signed on? Bob Milloy confirmed that if they are officiating on the event, then yes they do otherwise they have no legal jurisdiction and any Steward not doing this needs reporting to [james.tattersall@msauk.org](mailto:james.tattersall@msauk.org)
- Derek Machin commented that the 2018 Officials Renewal Form is missing a Safety Car Team checkbox.

## NEXT MEETINGS

2017 – 13<sup>th</sup> November

2018 – 12<sup>th</sup> February (AGM), 14<sup>th</sup> May, 13<sup>th</sup> August, 12<sup>th</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

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Rallies

Sprint & Hillclimb

Council

Regional

Inter-Association Events

Reports

General Secretary

Events – Association Invitations

New Member Clubs

LARA

Treasurer

Championship Coordinator

Press Officer

Training Officer

Go Motorsport

MSA Forestry Liaison Officer

MSA Route Liaison Officer

Any Other Business