



## **MINUTES OF THE DELEGATES MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS, HELD AT THE HOLIDAY INN, RUNCORN ON TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2008**

### **ATTENDANCE**

27 member clubs were represented by 30 delegates as follows:

Accrington MSC (Steve Johnson & John Harden), Aintree Car Club (Mike Ashcroft), British Radio Car Association (Jim Spencer), British Rally MC (Mike Farnworth & Derek Machin), Bury AC (Richard Murtha), Clwyd Vale MC (Brian Howatson), CSMA (Richard Murtha, Steve Johnson), Cumbrian Rover OC (Katy Mashiter), Formula 1000 (Steve Johnson), Garstang & Preston MC (Terry May & Steve Kenyon), Glossop DCC (John Buckley), High Moor MC (Gary Heslop), Kirkby Lonsdale MC (Katy Mashiter & Bob Milloy), Knutsford DMC (Richard Duddell), Lancashire & Cheshire CC (Martin Nield), Lancashire & Cheshire Land Rover Club (Tom Kelly, Phil Kelly), Liverpool MC (John Harden), Longton (Mike Ashcroft), Motor Sport (North West) (Martin Nield, Ann McCormack & Mark Wilkinson), North Wales CC (Dave Thomas), Phoenix Rescue (Tony McGuire & John Brinsden), Potteries & Newcastle MC (Eric Cowcill), Quinton MC (Paul Maxwell), Stockport 061 MC (Mark & Ken Wilkinson & Bob Milloy), Wallasey MC (Bill Turner & Tony King), Warrington DMC (Ann McCormack), Wigan MC (Helen & Martin Fox)

Officials present were Bob Milloy (Chairman), Mark Wilkinson (General Secretary), Eric Cowcill (Treasurer), Dave Thomas (Championships Coordinator), Katy Mashiter (Press Officer), Mike Farnworth (Training Officer), John Harden (Aintree Liaison).

Apologies were received from Ron Hunt (Vice Chairman), Graeme Forrester (Wigton), Nigel Bayley (ERO), Stan Appleton (HRCR & Ilkley), Gordon Waddington (Lindholme), Ros Wilkinson (Slaithwaite), Craig Redmond (Amman & Dist), Mike Yates (Slaithwaite), Russell Holdsworth (Trackrod), Karen Spencer (Slaithwaite & Lindholme), Mike Harris (BARC), Tom Dooley (BRSCC), Sue Sanders-Peppitt (Potteries & Newcastle), Eve Fisher (CSMA & AMSC) and Peter Riley (Longton).

### **WELCOME**

The Chairman, Bob Milloy, welcomed delegates to the meeting and reported that Allan Dean-Lewis wasn't able to make our meeting as a meeting was arranged for 14.30 today and sends his profound apologies; Bob reported the Allan has been re-elected to the FIA Institute Executive Committee for another 4 years.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting had been distributed by email/website and were agreed as a true record proposed by Mike Farnworth and seconded by Derek Machin.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

- Timekeepers list – is primarily for Chief Timekeepers and not for timekeepers. Eric said that the intention is to for Chief Timekeepers to be licensed and then have access to the Blue Book for the rules, but by no means to ignore timekeepers – the idea is that they are fully trained as rally marshals. Also looking at the same for radio operators in the near future.
- Nomination for Graham Forrester on Speed Committee was unsuccessful.
- MSA Council – Changes to navigational events have been scrapped.
- Inter association Stage Rally – the event finished up with 11 teams and 4 finishers, we had 1 non-finisher in our team, so were unfortunately unsuccessful in winning.
- Didn't send a team to Fourth Bridges Navigational Rally.

### **MSA REPORTS**

**AUTOTEST** – Steve Johnson

- Last meeting was spent discussing classes – move to bring standard classes back in.

### **RALLIES**

- Nothing of note from last meeting

### **SPRINT & HILLCLIMB**

- Still sorting out towing points!

## **COUNCIL**

- Junior Rally Drivers have finally got in to the Blue Book, this is excellent news.
- Navigators on car rallies are now from 14 years plus.
- Race – Qualifications for finisher and red flag rules have been changed.
- Speed – Class changes.

## **REGIONAL**

- Trying to get English 'Home Country' report at Council in addition to Northern Ireland, Scottish & Welsh reports; however it was pointed out that England is already well represented!
- ANCC to run Autotest and AWMMC to run Trial Inter Association Events in 2009.
- Discussion over future for local clubs, and should MSA help? If they get feedback then they can respond, if they don't they can't.
- Derek Machin said that he is finding that some Marshal Registrations are getting forgotten about and 3-4 months later still haven't been received them, Allan Dean-Lewis has taken this on board and it does seem to be getting better.  
Bill Turner asked if licences could be run for 12 months from application. Bob Milloy replied that this can't be done due to European rules; you would also have licences over 2 blue books.
- Limitations of Motor Clubs – Lindholme had asked for invited Associations to be increased from 4 to 6, discussion ensued and Ian Davies is taking this up.
- Nicky Moffit and John Arnold have been re-elected.

## **REPORTS**

### **GENERAL SECRETARY**

- Application for membership from West Cumbria Motorsport Club. Nobody present from the club however Bob Milloy gave a resume – main event is Greystoke Stages (12/07/09), along with autosolo / autotest which are closed-to-club, interesting fact is their Treasurer is Pearl Wilson (Malcolm's Mum)  
The chairman asked for any objections on club joining, nothing received; on receipt of payment, application accepted.
- E-Mail received from Russell Thorpe regarding sprint and hillclimb suspension regulations (I 80), discussion ensued and the outcome was we'll wait to see what happens in 2009 Blue book.
- Data Protection Registration renewed.
- 2009 Forestry Allocations
- ANCC October Minutes
- WAMC October Minutes
- AWMMC May Minutes
- Motorsports Now! Autumn 2008
- The Marshal November 2008

### **TREASURER**

- Did have issue with MSA not paying small training bill, but this has now been sorted. Is conscious that some didn't get paid quickly in 2008 but will try and resolve for 2009.
- Waiting on 3 or 4 member clubs renewals.

### **CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR**

- Discussion about BACs payments to association, coming through with references. If more clubs end up asking for this, may have to look at changing to a more modern bank account, without a passbook!
- Stage / Historic / Road Rally championships all have a couple to go. All others have now finished.
- 341 registered contenders, few up on 2007.
- All events have gone well with results coming in.
- Judges of Fact – need to make sure they're on the ball; there was a misdemeanour at Anglesey last weekend that has resulted in the Novice Stage Rally award changing.
- 2008 Awards Presentation has been booked for 7 February 2009 at Holiday Inn, Manchester Airport (Valley Lodge for the older people!)  
Won't be giving free meals to award winners.
- 2009 – Quite a few clubs have submitted dates.
- Received permit forms from MSA
- Marshal Championship – suspects a few claims to have been increased, so has changed the points structure for 2009.

### **FORESTRY LIAISON OFFICER**

- No report

### **AINTREE LIAISON OFFICER**

- 2008 season has now been completed and motorsport is currently banned due to marshals driving across Grand National course to get to posts – ongoing.
- Have dates for 2009
- Greenergy event ran and was well received and were provided with 10-15 marshals, they have asked to come back in 2009.

### **OTHER VENUE LIAISON**

- Weeton – still there, not been allowed back on the corner by the main gate yet

### **PRESS OFFICER**

- Nothing to report

### **TRAINING OFFICER**

- Please see list of dates for training days at the end of minutes.
- There is a more comprehensive list for all Marshals Training, including the specialist Rescue & Recovery Licensed Officials, dates so far announced on the ViM website [www.volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk](http://www.volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk) under the "Training Day" link.

### **MSA CTRL**

- No report

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Derek Machin said that couple of events from Isle of Man have been pulled, they now have a new Chief of Police and they are clamping down, over and above the Blue Book, have picked up that ACU & MSA have licensed marshals and unless events can prove trained and licensed officials then the event won't get approval.
- Steve Johnson reported that Accrington MSC now have an approved driving instructor who won the recent Knutsford Autosolo!
- Steve Johnson also reported that under his secondment at work saw 598 people in October and 50-80% of 14-16 year olds admitted to not wearing seatbelts as passenger / driver when in a vehicle.
- Discussion ensued over Rescue Units – there are currently 74 registered, with 44 of these linked to racing circuits.  
Mike Farnworth said it's not readily recognised that crews are volunteers; you're paying for the upkeep of the unit and not the "staff".  
Phoenix Rescue – have spoken to MSA and have been told that to claim under Rescue Fund, the application must be sent through a registered Motor Club. Bob Milloy replied that this isn't what Allan Dean-Lewis says at Regional Committee meetings.  
Phoenix Rescue commented that they are looking at purchasing a new vehicle however there is a 3 month waiting list for the van and then the need to fit it out and want to get it sorted in time for 2009 Bulldog.  
John Harden put a proposal to the room that £1 is put on to each competitors licence fee.  
Steve Johnson said as long as this is ring-fenced on any event that requires a licensed rescue unit and suggested adding to per-capita permit fee for events requiring a rescue unit.  
Proposed by Steve Johnson, Seconded by Derek Machin.
- Brian Howatson asked the question whether the association was furthering the closing of roads? The chairman replied that there isn't an issue with closing roads; the issue is the lifting of the road traffic act. You also have the issue of damaging roads, costing a lot to repair. Brian was asked if Clwyd Vale had approached WAMC? He replied that it was raised at the last meeting. If needed, we'd support.
- Mike Ashcroft – BBC Sports Personality of the Year is being held in Liverpool and they're planning on getting previous F1 winners there, so will need to get tickets early.
- The chairman informed the room that the Holiday Inn is getting expensive, not only in room hire but also bar bills, we have booked the venue for February & May 2009 – the chairman asked the room if they have any suitable alternatives? Oulton Park – died on us, but would probably welcome us back. The difficulty is putting a pin in the middle of our area and finding a venue near to there is never going to be easy.  
Suggestions:
  - Leigh Miners Welfare Club
  - Toft Cricket Club
  - Three Sisters (John Harden)
  - Meeting room at either Chester or Lymm Services (Steve Johnson)If anyone knows and any suitable venues please check them out and report to either Bob Milloy ([milloybob@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:milloybob@yahoo.co.uk)) or Mark Wilkinson ([anwcc@stockport061.co.uk](mailto:anwcc@stockport061.co.uk)). Normally meet on Second Tuesday of February, May, August & November – however this can be changed.
- The chairman wished the room a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## **DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2009, following the AGM starting at 2000 hours, at the Holiday Inn, Runcorn.

## **AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING**

Apologies for absence  
Minutes of meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> November 2008  
Matters arising  
MSA reports  
Reports  
    General Secretary  
    Treasurer  
    Championships Co-Ordinator  
    Forestry Liaison Officer  
    Aintree Liaison Officer  
    Other Venue Liaison  
    Press Officer  
    Training Officer  
    MSA CTRLLO  
Any other business  
Date and place of next meeting

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### 2009 Meetings:

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2009, 2000 hours, at the Holiday Inn, Runcorn

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2009, 2000 hours, at the Holiday Inn, Runcorn



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Re the advised Training Dates, covering those 'nearest' to the ANWCC area & affiliates:

Stockport Rally Training - 24 January 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=stockport>

York Rally Training - 25 January 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=york>

Gateshead Rally Training - 31 January 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=gateshead>

Oulton Park Race Marshal Training - 7 February 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=oulton>

Oulton Park Race Marshal Training - 8 February 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=oulton8>

Carlisle Rally Training - 21 February 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=carlisle>

Stafford University Rally Training - 28 February 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=rodbaston>

Derby University Rally Training - 1 March 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=derby>

Accrington MSA Buddy Training - 13 March 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=buddy>

Rhyl Rally Training - 29 March 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=rhyl>

Accrington First on Scene (First Aid) - 8 May 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=first>

Oulton Park Fire - 31 May 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=oultonfire>

Accrington Fire Training - 12 June 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=csmafire>

Accrington Rally (Road & Stage) Timekeeping - 11 September 2009

<http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?key=nX0K3jBh&formname=rallytime>

Speed Marshal Training (TBA by Mike Farnworth)

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These are all now 'live' on the VIM site