



The Club

Minutes of the General Meeting of The Club

Thistle Hotel, Brands Hatch

18th September 2011

1) Apologies: Ray Battersby, Mike Jackson (Goodwood), Craig Carey-Clinch, Ben Matthews (Goodwood), Dan Sager, Michael Evans, Alan Blake, John Nelson, Tom Waterer, Frank Finch, John Wakefield, Dennis Bates, Greg Elson, Bob McMillan, Keith Davies, Ken Sprayson.

2) Approval of Minutes of AGM, Whoop Hall, 10th April 2010

Proposed: Nick Jeffery

Seconded: Norman Hyde

Approved

3) Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.

4) Chairman's Report: The Chairman thanked Steve Callahan and Dave Hancock for an excellent run and for the planning that went into it both before, and during the day. (applause). Tony also said that he was enjoying his first year in the post.

5) Treasurer's Report: Rick Parish opened by advising the meeting that the Whoop Hall run under Keith Blair's tight control had realised a profit of £642. (Accounts attached) Moving on to the current run, this had looked difficult during the previous week but Steve had looked at every opportunity to reduce costs and currently it seems we may break even or make a small profit.

Rick had looked back over several runs, coming to the conclusion accommodation and food on future runs will cost about £100 a night plus £30 or so on the day. Rick mentioned this as he knows that organisers try to keep costs down and run a tight ship, but some members had thought this was a quite an expensive run. Another reason for discussing this was having received the itemised bar bill, it was noted that three Brandies plus a bottle of wine totalling

£69.00. had been ordered. You only need a few people to do this and the run could be in a loss situation through no fault of the organiser.

Rick proposed that any member who wished to have a drink outside the usual beers, wines, soft drinks and 'normal' spirits etc., should pay for it. Although a vote was not taken there was general approval by the meeting.

Moving on to our current financial situation Rick advised that without knowing what deposits have been paid for future runs we have £4500 in the current account and £1500 in the deposit account.

Donations for this run had been received from: Andrew Smith, Charles Smart, Craig Carey-Clinch, Dan Sager, Gerald Davison, Graham Goodman, Keith Davies, Luke Plummer, Nick Hopkins, Nick Jeffery, Peter Sheen, Ray Battersby, Rick Parish, Tony Dawson, William Colquhoun.

6) Future Runs:

Spring 2012		Date	27th-29th April
Organisers	Gerald Davison/Keith Davies	Location	Dorset
Autumn		Date	21st-23rd Sept.
Organisers	Tom Waterer/Nick Jeffery	Location	Malvern
Spring 2013		Date	TBA
Organiser	Bob McMillan	Location	Wales
Autumn 2013		Date	TBA
Organiser	Tony Jakeman	Location	West Wales

Gerald Davison outlined the route of the spring run 2012 as using some parts of his run of four years ago with some new sections added. He has planned an hour long visit to a very high tech installation which will require members being subjected to a security screening well in advance of the run. He requested the meeting's approval to provide the Club's membership list to the appropriate authority for this screening, this proposal being agreed by those present. All members would be contacted to obtain the necessary permission for their names to put forward for screening.

There followed a discussion regarding the necessity of The Club having an accurate list of email addresses of members. Hon.Sec. will email all members asking that they confirm receipt, thus validating the e mail addresses on file.

Nick Jeffery advised that he and Tom would be planning the route of their run, based at the Abbey Hotel, Malvern, towards the end of October. Date as above.

7) Club Website: Some discussion ensued regarding piggy- backing our site onto that of the MCIA or going independent. There have been on-going delays with the MCIA site, in addition to being unable to get a decision from them. The overwhelming view of the meeting was to go independent with the added possibility of approaching members who have their own sites. It was thought that the quote Ray Battersby had obtained was not unreasonable for the kind of information we plan to have available to members. Ray would be asked to look into this further with the object of getting the site up and running sooner rather than later.

8) New Members: Andrew Smith proposed Adam Kelley who has attended the requisite three runs.

Adam has long experience of our industry, both at retail and importer/manufacturer level and is a keen motorcyclist. He joined Yamaha in 2000 and is now responsible for total powered two wheeler activity. He is also a board member of MCIA.

Proposed: Andrew Smith

Seconded: Martyn Roberts

Approved

9) AOB: There was no other business. But:

After the meeting the Chairman realised he had made no mention had been made of the popular presentation to Dennis. He was delighted that the picture was so well received and wished to thank all those who had made this possible, particularly Norman Hyde who had arranged matters with the artist together with Wilf Harrison transporting the picture to Brands Hatch.

-----Meeting Closed 09.31-----