

and Hon Treasurer Rick Parish keep the wheels turning seamlessly, Webmaster Alan Halford and predecessor David Martin maintain our online presence, and the ‘wise heads’ of the committee (Nick Jeffery, Norman Hyde, Martin Roberts, and Nick Hopkins) are always on hand to offer guidance.

There are so many other people who contribute to the entertainment on Runs that makes them so special – scribe Geoff Selvidge (assisted by Steve Callahan on this run), Quiz Masters Nick Jeffery and Ian Kerr, Sergeant at Arms Steve Callahan (and deputy Martin Lambert). In my address I outlined two key objectives for my time in the Chair; (i) well attended Runs (ii) an influx of new Members. Thanks to improved communications, attendance is back up to previous levels, and I’m delighted that we’ve welcomed a new member on every Run. Keep it up!

Following the introduction of the new maroon Club tie, we now have sufficient stock to last us into the next millennium. I suspect this will be my lasting legacy!

Now I shall hand over to my successor, Martin Lambert, who’ll ensure the good news keeps coming!” Applause.

New Chairman Martin Lambert opened by recalling when he was first invited to join the Club by Dennis Bates many years ago, Dennis made it sound like it would be easier to receive a Knighthood than get an invitation to the Club. On joining, Martin said it was like an awakening, meeting some of the big names in the industry. Names like Maurice Knight, John Nelson Tony Dawson etc., people he could now get to know, and this had been the highlight of belonging to the Club. When Dan had asked him to be Chairman, Martin considered it an absolute honour, and takes it very seriously. He would aim for even more transparency in what we do, and to gain even more members. Applause.

- 4) **Treasurer’s Report:** Rick opened by saying that we are not here to make money, so to people intending to organise a run in the future he would say work to do a budget showing a surplus of two to three hundred pounds, because typically something will occur that will cost around those figures. Rick felt he had been too heavy on the

organisers of the last run to make a profit to the extent that they had even put in their own money to ensure the finances of a run worked. The last run had made a profit of £640 and Rick said that having delved through the figures the only reason for that was the generous donations and the underwriting from the organisers. Rick did not want to get into a trend where organisers felt they had to underwrite run finances, so he was **proposing** to change the accounts for the last run by refunding the organisers who had paid the full cost. The last run would then show a surplus of about £300. **Approved by the meeting.** Following the last run we had a balance of £4500 with £350 in hand as a deposit for this run. A balance like this will help if we ever have a major problem with a hotel etc,

Rick was also pleased to note that run organisers were talking to previous organisers and this is most helpful to all concerned.

Shrewsbury Accounts attached. Following Rick's proposal above, the surplus figure would now be £340.

Donations were received from: Nick Hopkins, Maurice Knight, Rick Parish, Andrew Smith, Nigel Bosworth, Ian Kerr, Frank Finch, Nick Campolucci, Stephen Burgess, David Taylor, David Martin, Tony Jakeman, Peter Sheen, Craig Carey Clinch, Keith Davies, Geoff Selvidge, David O'Neil.

6) Future Runs:

Spring 2019. Organisers: Simon Hill, Stephen Burgess.

Date: 26th-27th April. **Location:** R.A.F. Sywell, Northants.

Autumn 2019: Organisers: Norman Hyde, Martyn Roberts,

Date T.B.A. **Location:** Glebe Hotel, Barford

Spring 2020 Organisers: T.B.A.

Date: T.B.A. **Location:** T.B.A.

Autumn 2020: Organisers: Bob McMillan Andrew Smith

Date: T.B.A. **Location** Scotland

It will be seen from the above that Organisers are required for the Spring 2020 Run. This would preferably be located in the Midlands or South, as the following Run in Scotland would be regarded as a 'long' Run. It would be appreciated if volunteers would let the committee know.

7) Club Website: Alan Halford advised that following on from the excellent work done by David Martin and the running of the website over the years, some improvements could now be made – cost being one of the issues to be looked at. At present there was no facility for showing video and Alan would look into this possibility. Other suggestions were invited from members.

8) New Members: In the absence of Norman Hyde, Alan Halford proposed Neil Tuxford.

Proposed: Alan Halford

Seconded: Tony Dawson

Approved.

9) A.O.B.: Nick Jeffery mentioned that he had met Mike Evans recently who had expressed an interest in joining a club run, but had not ridden a motorcycle for some time and was concerned he would be slowing people down, but had noted the some were coming by car. Members present would be delighted to see Mike again and Nick Jeffery would make contact again.

Meeting closed 09.35

Hon.Sec.

Club Run in Shrewsbury Spring 2018

Run Date 14th April 2018

Total Number Attending	43		
Members	26		
Retired Members	11		
Guests	6		
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Bookings	£12,001.00	Accommodation/meals/wine/bar	£11,466.21
Donations	£735.00	Morning teas	£143.50
Sergeant at arms	£78.50	Lunches	£492.00
Quiz	38.00	Afternoon coffees	£110.00
		Paypal/Bank charges	0
Total Income	£12,852.50	Total Costs	£12,211.71
	Surplus		<u>£640.79</u>

BANK BALANCES	
Opening balance 1/1/18	£3,706.74
Run surplus/(deficit) above	£640.79
Ties and new member fees	0
Interest received	£0.12
Donations	0
Less: web site charges 5 mths x £29.99/£35.99	-179.95
Less: stock of new ties	-389.4
Less: Deposits for future runs - Spring & Autumn 2018	0
Add: Deposits released for this run (added to Accommodation cost above)	750
Closing bank balances 31st May 2018	<u>£4,528.30</u>

DEPOSITS IN HAND	
Spring 2018	0
Autumn 2018	£350.00
Total deposits	<u>£350.00</u>