

# **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

## **Bell Hotel, Thetford**

7<sup>th</sup> May 2006

- 1. Apologies for Absence: Mike Evans, Mike Jackson, Chris Ventress, Keith Davies, Richard Davies, John Nelson, David Plummer, William Colquhoun, Peter Britton, David Dixon, Dave Dew, David O'Neill.
- **2. Approval of Minutes** of the General Meeting held at Carrutherstown 18<sup>th</sup> September 2005.

Proposed Wilf Harrison
Seconded Peter Sheen

**Approved** 

- **Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising not covered in the Agenda
- 4. Chairman's Report: Geoff Selvidge thanked the organisers Rick Parish and the Hon.Sec. for an excellent run through necessarily flat, but fine countryside and some beautiful villages. Geoff commented that this must be one of the first runs to include three roast meals.

The Chairman thanked the following for helping to make these runs what they are: Andrew and Martin for the raffle, Tony and Nick for the crossword, Dave as Sergeant at Arms with Frank as enforcer, Treasurer and Hon.Sec. for back office work. Special thanks to Greg Elson for providing not one, but two RAC vans for this run and also for the visit to Lotus and Proton which was enjoyed by all.

5. Treasurer's Report: Dennis commented that it is difficult to assess expenditure prior to a run but we usually ended with a small profit. Dennis then presented the accounts for the Scottish Run which are attached. The current account at Lloyds Bank shows a credit of £4919.57 at 4th January this year, before any monies were received for the current run. In addition our deposit account grows slowly, now standing £1296.03. Total club funds amount to £6215.57.

6. **Rule Changes:** The Chairman gave an outline report to the meeting of the discussions within committee that had taken place over the winter months regarding the eligibility or otherwise of potential members. The committee proposed that Rule 3 should now read as follows:

Senior executives in the motorcycle industry (defined as manufacturing and importing firms of complete machines, components, accessories etc. together with their trade associations and marketing support agencies) shall be eligible.

This proposal was carried unanimously by the meeting. **Approved**Wilf Harrison reminded the meeting that Ken Sprayson had been rejected for membership in spite of having made a significant contribution to the industry. It was suggested that a position of Honorary Member be created to cover this type of situation in the future. This was generally agreed by the meeting and would now be discussed in committee.

Maurice Knight suggested that we write to Ken inviting him to the next run.

#### 7. Future Runs:

#### Autumn 2006

Organiser Tom Waterer Date 29-30 Sept. Location Mid Wales

Tom reported via Hon.Sec. that the hotel was settled and the route was almost done. Lunch stop still to be decided

### **Spring 2007**

Organiser Gerald Davison Date 27-28 April Location Sherborne, Dorset

## Autumn 2007

Organiser Dan Sager Date T.B.A.

Location N.Oxfordshire

**Spring 2008** 

Organisers Dave Martin Date T.B.A.
Andrew Smith Location Scotland

#### 8. New Members:

Dennis Bates proposed his son Simon who is a freelance sales agent in the industry. Seconded: Greg Elson **Approved**Normal process will now be followed as per the rules.

**9. A.O.B.** Geoff Selvidge raised the question of the new design of club tie, samples of which had been eagerly awaited for some time. Mr Smith offered his abject apologies, promising to do better by the next run.

Concern was expressed that a member had made a direct booking for two single rooms with the hotel but making a reference to the Club. The organiser had previously sent final rooming arrangements to the hotel and was confronted with this news on arrival. This resulted in considerable time being spent re-jigging rooms and doubling up members who had asked for singles, and the run organiser out-posting himself to another hotel some miles away. A

last minute phone call to the member concerned elicited the information that he was now unable to attend but had forgotten to cancel.

The Chairman stressed that all members must adhere to the booking rules: book through the Hon. Treasurer using the booking form and enclosing a cheque.

Such was the strength of feeling of the meeting that the Chairman was charged with writing to the member concerned requesting he refrained from such practice in future.

Meeting Closed 09.41