



The Club

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Camelot Castle Hotel, Tintagel, Cornwall.

18th April 2010

- 1) **Apologies for Absence:** Bob McMillan, Peter Bolton, Peter Sheen, Simon Hill, Geoff Selvidge, Steve Callahan, Michael Evans, Alan Blake, John Nelson, Ray Bailey, David Dixon. Ken Sprayson.
- 2) Approval of Minutes of the General Meeting, Goodwood, 18th October 2009.

Proposed: Tony Dawson

Seconded: Wilf Harrison

- 3) **Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising.
- 4) **Chairman's Report:** The Chairman opened by thanking Graham Matcham and Keith Davies for organising an excellent Run from a most impressive scenic location. This, coupled with brilliant weather, wonderful scenery, good refreshment stops and relatively little traffic made for a superb week-end. Andrew noted that the organisers had an excellent working relationship with the hotel staff, which is so important for a successful Run. Applause.

The Chairman continued by saying it had been a great honour to be Chairman and would be handing over at the Scotland Run to the new incumbent when this had been finalised. Andrew had thoroughly enjoyed the role, but regretfully, on occasions he had not been able to give the amount of time required to serve as a proper proactive Chairman – for which he apologised.

One of the biggest disappointments prior to this Run has been that we were still not in a position to confirm an accurate financial position in regards to the Goodwood Run. The Chairman then went on to inform members that the Committee had on behalf of The Club previously authorised a £500 contribution from Club funds towards the Goodwood weekend. The Chairman went on to confirm that the cost could eventually be around the £1500 mark, although he requested a little more time to speak with both Davids to reconfirm a number of matters.

Notes (after the meeting)

The Chairman is now glad to report that after much discussion with Messrs Taylor and Dew and additional help from David Martin and Dennis, we are finally in a position to confirm that the special Goodwood Weekend produced a balance of an £800 deficit. Of course, once you take the £500 additional contribution from Club funds into account the actual amount reduces to just over £300. Whilst not ideal, it is worth remembering that it was a special one-off Club Weekend which had been enjoyed by all participants. In addition, a number of lessons had been learned (including by The Chairman) which would help all future Organisers / Treasurer.

Again, The Chairman would like to apologise for the delay in sending out these Minutes and for not being able to conclude the Goodwood weekend accounts in a timely manner.

- 5) **Treasurer's Report:** Dennis reported that our balance prior to this Run stood at £5263.20. Stock in hand (ties) amounts to £514.

Dennis advised the meeting that all costs on a run were now entered into a spreadsheet, designed by Dave Martin, which allowed much greater control, and saves time.

We have made a donation to Somerset Community Health in memory of Jeff Clew who died earlier this year. Jeff wrote the first ten Haynes Manuals himself.

- 6) **Future Runs:**

Autumn 2010 Organisers	David Martin Andrew Smith	Date Location	10 th -12 th September Nairn
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David advised that we would be staying at the Whoop Hall Hotel, Kirkby Lonsdale, on the way up on Thurs. 9th. Friday we ride to Nairn stopping at a seafood restaurant about half way. The run on Saturday will be about 288 miles, but if the weather is bad there is a short cut back to the hotel after lunch saving about 100 miles.

On Sunday, for those who wish, there is a run up to John O' Groats and Dunnet Head of about 312 miles. Fuel will be included in the cost of the Run.

Inverness Airport is about 5 miles from the hotel and Andrew advised that a selection of dealer supplied motorcycles will be available at the hotel for those who wish to fly. In the current climate it will not be possible to truck machines from Yamaha H.Q.

Spring 2011 Organiser	Keith Blair	Date Location	TBA Lake District
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Autumn 2011 Organiser	Steve Callahan	Date Location	TBA Kent
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Spring 2012 Organiser	Gerald Davison	Date Location	27 th -29 th April (Prov) Dorset
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- 7) **Club Website:** Club Archivist Ray Battersby gave a short briefing saying that the idea, emanating from a discussion concerning historical Club material, is to have a secure Club website accessed by the usual passwords etc. This would give access in time to all Club records of runs etc. We could have our own URL, and one has been purchased, or we could be part of a friendly website. Andrew reported a tentative discussion with MCIA on this subject. Members were in favour.

- 8) **New Members:** There were no new members proposed.
- 9) **A.O.B.** Andrew suggested that Members be allowed to bring additional guests to the Scotland Run, although only one of these per member could be considered for future membership, should of course the normal criteria be met. After a brief discussion this was agreed by all present with the caveat that the ethos and spirit of The Club were not compromised in any way and that members would not be adversely affected in any way.

The Chairman recorded his thanks to the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Sec. for their help and support – not just for this weekend but throughout the term of his office.

Meeting closed 09.40