The Motor Caravanners' Club

North West Midlands & North Wales Group

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 19th Septemeber. Alveley Social Club

Attended

Ian Hill (IH), Eileen Harvey (EH), Dennis Allman (DA), Len Evans (LA), Geoff Pearce (GP)

Meeting Opened 10.03am

1. **Apologies – Martin Wilks**
2. **Previous minutes –** these were agreed.
   Proposed: LE, Seconded: GP. ***Vote: FOR 5, AGAINST 0***

3. **Matters Arising from previous minutes**

   IH – credit card EH struggling to reconcile payments. Square suggesting putting last 4 digits on booking in sheet when paid

   Whitchurch Rugby Club – All sorted. Need to finalise payment method. Might be able to use for Easter but only from Good Friday.

   Newport Rugby Club hall is available Sunday is confirmed East Mids Officially confirmed.

   Christmas Party Tickets printed and table name cards purchased

   Christmas Party – food. Starters (Soup, Pate, Prawns), Mains (Pork, Turkey, Salmon) Vegetarian option but don't promote, Dessert (Christmas Pudding, Lemon Tarte, Cheesecake).
   Ticket Price Agreed

   Stickers – samples liked, size agreed need a design before we get a quote**.** IH to progress asking Ade and Claire about design artwork. ONGOING

4. **Reports**

   Chairmans Report

Following a busy and successful summer season, we are now approaching our first AGM with this Committee in place.

I understand that some Committee members are still considering whether to continue in their roles or step down at the AGM. With this in mind, I have submitted a number of business

proposals designed to help ensure the Group remains strong and sustainable should Committee numbers reduce. I am hopeful that more members will come forward to join this excellent team, bringing fresh ideas and enthusiasm to help shape the future of our Group.

We have a particularly busy period ahead, including the AGM, Christmas and New Year rallies, along with several other events. A great deal of work is already underway to provide members with an enjoyable and varied programme of entertainment and activities.

I would like to thank everyone for their continued hard work, commitment and support. The success of our Group is only possible because of the dedication of our volunteers, and I am grateful for everything you do.

May our Group continue to thrive and go from strength to strength in the years ahead.

Secretaries Report

Joined = 23

Lapsed = 23 but some may pay to renew.

This includes Charles Sharman and George and Joan Woolnough

All figures are till 15th September 2026

I have had a new Insurance certificate from Head Office, I am still not on the portal but Ron is trying to sort it

Sandra Goddard Chair of Est Midlands has formally accepted our Mayday Rally Invite.

Treasurers Report

The accounts within Lloyds bank are:

1. Community Account (everyday Acct). £1715.19
2. Commercial Instant Access Acct (Savings Acct). £3122.84

Rally Officers Report

Going well if we can get Whitchurch for easter break that would be great , hoping to hear from Rushbury in the next couple of days for September all will be booked for 2027

For the agenda we need to sort out hosts for Wistanstow and Onnerley – If no Hosts then they will be cancelled.

LE is concerned that fuel prices might be affecting numbers at rallies.

5. **Web Master –** Nothing to report

6. **Health & Safety** –IH Issued Tape to Geoff and Dennis. No other issues other than the report sheets have gone missing from the jolly box. **IH to sort some more**

7. **Notified Topics –**
   AGM, IH read out the running order for the AGM.
   IH read out required paperwork – Agenda, EGM Minutes, Balance Sheet. Suggested stapled not put in a wallet.
   IH informed the room that Joan Woolnough was voted to be Accounts checker, she cannot do so. EH asked Brian Hershall (Past Club Chair), unfortunately due to health he is not able either. EH asked Maria Hill to assist with the balancing of the accounts and Maria has suggest we use Hannah Mowbray who is an accountant. Hannah does Audley Brass Band accounts and lives locally. We propose that we ask Hannah to do it for 2027 as well and put her name forward at the AGM.
   EH agreed to print the AGM pack (30 packs)

   Paula Wilks has offered to do Refreshments

   IH to create a signing in sheet

   Christmas Party – Agreed to keep as last year £40 per person (meal, Wine, rally fees, Entertainment, etc.) **Vote: 5 for and 0 against.** EH agreed to sell tickets

   Christmas Party Raffle and Tombola – IH to look at anything from work. LE has suggested to speak to Glenis to help.
   MW to put out of Facebook regarding prizes ideally wrapped.

   Hannah Mowbray to be Accounts Checker – Vote: 5 For 0 against. Ask if there is a charge going forward.

8. **Any other business**

   Suggested we have a Rally Book as well as the downloadable Rally Sheet. **IH to get a price**

   Agreed that the Treasurer must have a full list of all rallies with what has been agreed we are paying the venue (price per unit per night and any addition costs such as hall, etc.) and what we are charging the members (PUPN) and how they want paying.

   EH concerned about the fees for the Square card facility. **IH suggested that we charge £1 per transaction for the option. Voted: 5 For 0 Against.**

Suggested that the New Treasurer to start looking at best Bank Account with no charges.

Banner – Linda Hastilow has taken the Banner to a dry cleaner who are requesting a signed document to accept no liability. **EH – to take to specialist Printers in Wolverhampton to get it done or checked ON GOING**

Meeting Closed 11.10am

9. **Date and time of next meeting** – After AGM Brymo 10th October.