

MOTOR CARAVANNERS' CLUB – ISLE OF WIGHT GROUP 23

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING No. 30 – 2019

Held at The Orchards, Main Road, Newbridge, Isle of Wight on Saturday 12th October 2019.

28 Members attended the Meeting, which commenced at 19:00.

Existing Committee:-

Chairman	Edwin Jones
Secretary	Andrea Gardner
Treasurer	Teresa Woolven
Rally Officer	Martin Woolven
Safety Officer	Steve Cragg
Social Secretaries	Suzanne Wolfe and John Wolfe
General Member	Bill Gardner
Webmaster	Heather Jennings, (not Committee)

1. The Chairman welcomed Members and introduced the Committee.
2. The Secretary read the Notice formally convening the meeting.
3. Apologies were received from Patrick & Carol De Peyer, Rose Young and Lionel & Sally Chamberlain.
4. The Minutes of the 2018 AGM were approved (*proposed by Suzanne Wolfe, seconded by Bill Gardner*).
5. There were no matters arising.
6. The Chairman gave his report, highlighting that there had been some great rallies over the year with good support and he hoped this would continue. He thanked those members who had stepped up to be rally hosts and encouraged this to continue. The Chairman confirmed that he is stepping down this year as he has stood for the maximum term. He thanked all the Committee Members for their hard work, with special mention to Steve Cragg who cleans and maintains all our equipment. He went on to thank Teresa Woolven and Andrea Gardner for standing again for the Committee and mentioned all the other Committee Members who are

stepping down. Special thanks were given to Heather Jennings for all her work as Webmaster.

7. The Secretary summarised the Membership situation, which is 36 but 2 members do not have motorhomes at the moment. There were six new members and 4 members lapsed and 5 cancelled. 2 members transferred to the Lancashire Group. Although this seems a large number in most cases it is as a result of bereavement or selling their motorhomes. The Secretary also confirmed following the recent death of Rob Young, that his funeral would take place next Friday in Ryde and Rose would like as many members as possible to attend.
8. The Treasurer presented her summary report, and stated that the books were available for inspection if anyone desired. She confirmed that expenditure this year was lower than last and that there is currently £3476.85 in the Bank but that £2000.00 was ringfenced, as it was gifted with instructions in a will. The Secretary confirmed that an amendment would be made to the Constitution for Groups Supplement confirming this. The Treasurer also confirmed that The Accounts were accepted (*proposed by Heather Jennings, seconded by Margaret Blamey*).
9. The Secretary proposed that following the recent consultation on the amount of money that could be spent by the Committee should be formalised and added to the Group Supplement. The Secretary confirmed that it had generally been agreed that the Committee should be permitted to spend up to £200.00 without recourse to the membership and duly proposed this. The Membership agreed with 26 voting in favour and 2 against so the motion was carried.
10. The Rally Officer confirmed that we had had fun at all our rallies and people enjoyed themselves but some rallies were better attended than others. There had been some difficulty in people stepping up to host rallies and generally it was the same members taking on this duty to ensure rallies proceeded. There has, so far, been 8 rallies booked for 2020 but no rally booked for March as none of the Island's Campsites are open before Easter. Martin is continuing to look for somewhere but it may end up being at The Fighting Cocks. The Old Barns has recently changed ownership. The new owner has been in touch to advise that they still have our booking for April but the rally fee proposed was extremely high considering there is no hard standing and the facilities are very dated (up to 10 vans – £20 per night, 10+ - £18 per night). Martin then went on to take a straw poll as to the acceptability of these charges and it was unanimously felt to be too expensive, but he is having a further meeting with them and this may change. Appledurcombe is not on next years list either as their future is uncertain and they are not currently taking 2020 bookings. The Camping & Motorhome club have approached our Group and asked whether we would like to hold a joint Rally with them at Brading Villa on August Bank Holiday Weekend 2020. There will be fancy dress and a BBQ on the Friday, a meal in the Café and film (Gladiator) on the Saturday night and a visit to Rosemary's

Vineyard on Sunday. The cost will be £10 per night. The general view was positive. Martin then went on to say that he is stepping down this year and our Group Constitution requires that we have a Rally Officer and so far no one has come forward and he would urge people to consider taking on this role. He also confirmed that he will be available where possible to support the new Rally Officer. He also encouraged people to come forward if they have any ideas for venues. Martin was thanked for all his hard work.

11. The Safety Officer confirmed that all the equipment is in order and as he was stepping down arrangements would need to be made next year for hosts to collect and deliver the equipment to rallies. Steve confirmed that for the time being he is happy to continue storage until somewhere else can be found. Everybody thanked Steve for his hard work and Steve asked everyone to look after themselves whilst having fun rallying.
12. Suzanne Wolfe, as Social Secretary, confirmed that there had been several outings in addition to the rallies including a breakfast trip to Monkey World, a trip to Mermaid Gin with a cream tea and a Barbeque hosted by John & Suzanne Wolfe at their home. Although SW is stepping down, SW confirmed that she is happy to continue co-ordinating the Christmas Dinner at The Fighting Cocks and that payment in full would need to be paid at least 2 weeks before. Thanks were expressed from the floor and from the Chairman for all the hard work Suzanne and John have given and that it was understood that the only reason they were stepping down is that they no longer own a Motorhome.
13. Election of Committee – EJ confirmed that all the Committee members except for Teresa Woolven and Andrea Gardner are stepping down due to either not having a Motorhome or because they have completed the maximum number of years served on the Committee and as a result if members are not prepared to step forward the Club would have no option but to wind up. Tracey Ringer has been proposed by MW and seconded by SC and was approved as a new committee member. After some discussion, Andrew & Cheryl Clapp and Margaret Blamey advised that they were willing to stand and this was proposed en bloc and approved by the membership unanimously.
14. The elected Members formed the Committee as below:-

Chairman	Teresa Woolven
Secretary	Andrea Gardner
Treasurer	Tracey Ringer
Rally Officer	Andrew Clapp
Non-Executive Member	Cheryl Clapp
Non-executive Member	Margaret Blamey

Webmaster (non-Committee)

Heather Jennings

15. Gordon Tutton has been proposed to be the Examiner of Accounts, and this was unanimously accepted.
16. The Meeting closed at 19:30, and was immediately followed by the Members Meeting.