

## Motor Caravan Club (Isle of Wight) Committee Meeting Minutes

Date :- 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019

Location :- Social Secretaries Home East Cowes

**Attendees :-** Edwin Jones (EJ), Steve Cragg (SC), Suzanne Wolfe (SW), John Wolfe (JW), Teresa Woolven (TW), Martin Woolven (MW), Bill Gardner (BG), Andrea Gardner (AG).

1. No apologies
2. Minutes of Meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019 were approved and signed off by EJ (Chairman).
3. No Matters Arising from previous meeting.
4. **Chairman's Report**

EJ thanked SW for arranging the visit to Mermaid Gin and the breakfast at Monkey World. EJ confirmed that the recent rally at Appledurcombe had been well attended and enjoyed by all. A presentation was made by Chris Clear of £2000.00 to the club from Fred Print, who we sadly lost at the end of 2018. Chris would like to arrange for a Petanque Competition in Fred's memory and he will supply a trophy, in addition to the generous gift that has been made. It was agreed that the money would be ringfenced and that an email will be sent to members asking for suggestions as to how it should be spent in the future. MW is in negotiation to arrange a memorial rally later this year.

SW advised that there had been some comment in respect of the Committee spending money in the past without the members knowledge and agreement and that perhaps in future there should be a limit on the amount that could be spent by the Committee without referring to the membership for consent. AG proposed that an amount of £100 should be set and this was seconded by SW and unanimously approved.

**Action :-** EJ to send email to all members in respect of expenditure and consent. MW to arrange memorial rally for Fred Print.

## **5. Secretary's Report**

AG confirmed that there has been one leaver this month, Mr J Sawyer, who has sold his van. TW advised that there had been a change of email address for Malcolm and Judy Reynolds and that she would forward the details to AG to update the records. AG also confirmed that TW has taken over as Scribe and all the information in respect of this has been handed over. The Committee congratulated TW on her first article.

**Action :-** None

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

TW confirmed that the accounts were up to date and the balance as at 1 April 2019 is £3308.69 (including the gift from Fred Print) and asked EJ to sign a copy of the report.

**Action :-** None

## **7. Rally Officers Report**

MW confirmed that he is still awaiting contact from Chine Farm as it appears that no one is there at present, and is awaiting final details from Havenstreet. He has emailed and called and will continue to do so. AG advised that on leaving Appedurcombe, after the last rally, they asked if we could confirm the number of Motorhomes and lengths prior to the Easter Rally, so they can plan pitches. MW confirmed that he had emailed them with the necessary information, including those that wish to arrive on Thursday. The next rally after Easter is The Old Barns and members should remember that if they wish to attend rally's they need to book with the hosts

**Action :-** None

## **8. Safety Officer's Report**

SC confirmed that there are no technical issues outstanding and he will make arrangements for the rally equipment to be delivered to the hosts prior to rally's.

**Action :-** None

## 9. Social Secretary's Report

SW confirmed that the visit to Mermaid Gin had been a success and everyone had enjoyed it. SC asked whether there will be any future outings and everyone agreed that this would be welcomed. SW advised that she had thought that as the rally season had started, we would not want additional jaunts but was happy to take suggestions and she will have a think but she and John were happy to put on a summer BBQ>

**Action :-** SW to organise BBQ and advise suitable dates.

## 9. Any Other Business

TW asked whether bi monthly Committee meeting were too frequent but it was agreed by all that this seemed to be about right.

BG asked whether anyone from our Group had been contacted in respect of the article in this month's magazine that had featured the Isle of Wight and nobody had. It was felt that it would be advantageous to us if in future we were advised of such things and perhaps able to contribute to maximise Mainland members visiting. Only one campsite on the Island had advertised, Ninham, and we no longer rally there. It was agreed that EJ would take this up with Head Office. MW confirmed that several Island campsites are now using a booking system operated by Red Funnel for their pitches.

SW advised that she is due to attend a Wightlink Users meeting and was there any issues that we would like to raise. BG advised that Wightlink have increased their fares but they have also increased our discount to 60%, which probably negates any rise. SW will ask about this.

MW advised that he had met with the RNLI with a view to a talk and it was felt it would be better if the group went to a Lifeboat Station for the talk as this will be more informative. He also advised that the same would probably apply to the Fire Department. MW will look into dates.

**Action :-** SW to attend Wightlink Users group. MW to arrange dates for talks.

### **Date of Next Meeting**

It was proposed that the next meeting be on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 at 18.30hrs. MW and TW will host this at their home in Sandown.

**Action :-** AG to contact committee one week prior to meeting for any items to be added to the agenda.