

Motor Caravan Club (Isle of Wight) Committee Meeting Minutes

Date :- 30th September 2019

Location :- Bill & Andrea's Home Northwood

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

1. Apologies were received from Martin Woolven who is unwell and EJ wished him, on behalf of all of us a speedy recovery.
2. Minutes of Meeting of 5th August 2019 were approved and signed off by EJ (Chairman).
3. Matters Arising from previous meeting.

None

Action :- None

4. Chairman's Report

EJ welcomed everyone to the meeting and BG & AG for hosting. He also thanked BG & AG for the hosting the recent rally at Havenstreet and especially SC for his assistance on the weekend.

EJ confirmed that Andrew Clapp has agreed to act as Examiner of our Accounts for the next year.

EJ raised the issue that so far no-one has come forward to join the Committee. This is extremely urgent now as all Committee Members except Treasurer and Secretary are due to step down at the AGM. It was agreed that an email would be issued to all members advising them of the situation and the fact that if no-one steps forward the club will fold. The situation has occurred as a result of the rule change that took place in 2017, which states that Committee Members

serve a fixed term. The Committee agreed that the principles behind the decision were sound but in practice it creates problems with such a small group and as a consequence it was suggested that the new Committee consider this going forward.

Action :- AG to email members re vacant Committee positions and new Committee to consider the rules.

5. Secretary's Report

AG advised that there had been a new member, Alf and Ann Damp and a welcome letter has been sent to them. Over the summer 2 members had lapsed their membership and there had been 1 cancellation. The net effect is that the membership total remains unchanged at 39.

Action :- EJ will contact the lapsed members to see if there is a reason behind their decision that needs to be addressed.

6. Treasurer's Report

TW confirmed that the accounts were up to date but, as she had come directly to the meeting from the mainland, she did not have the paperwork with her. TW also confirmed that she would be meeting with the Accounts Examiner prior to the AGM.

Action :- TW to meet with Andrew Clapp.

7. Rally Officers Report

MW was not at the meeting, due to illness, but TW confirmed that all the rallies for 2020 have been confirmed. There is a problem with The Old Barns as it has recently changed hands and wishes to increase their charges to an unreasonable level, prior to undertaking any improvements. Also, Appledurcombe is still up in the air as they don't know what they are doing next year. Dates for Havenstreet cannot be confirmed until next year.

Action – None

8. Safety Officer's Report

SC confirmed that all the lamps have been laid up for the year , with batteries tested and removed. SC confirmed that for the time being he will retain all the equipment and maintain it.

Action :- None

9. Social Secretary's Report

SW raised the issue of whether an American Supper is to be held the evening of the AGM and it was agreed that it should. It was agreed that the Committee would provide the following:-

EJ – Cheese Board

AG/BG - Vegetable Curry

SC – Chicken Curry

TW/MW – Meat Chilli & Rice

SW/JW – Poppadum's and Naan Bread.

In addition, Keith Blamey would be asked if he would mind making his Vegetable Chilli.

SW also confirmed that she had negotiated the price for the Christmas meal at The Fighting Cocks and it would be £18.95 for 2 courses or £23.95 for three courses. SW will circulate the menu at the AGM and set a date for final payment. As in previous years, there will be a £10.00 per couple Secret Santa and it should be stressed that the amount should be fully used as there had been some disappointment last year where smaller gifts were given.

Action :- SW to issue email for puddings and other items. It was agreed no salad as it mainly goes to waste.

9. Any Other Business

TW advised that she had been in touch with the hospital printers and they will require the booklet to be in PDF format. It will need to be updated to take account of the change of Committee Members and also the 2020 rallies. TW advised that this will require a significant amount of ink for printing and requested that the club cover her costs. This was unanimously agreed.

SC advised that the MCC Committee Whatsapp Group will need to be amended and he will amend the details deleting those who are stepping down. He advised that the next member on the Whatsapp list will then become administrator and be able to add the new Committee Members.

TW raised the issue of Emergency Contact information and sharing of data and AG confirmed that HO have now computerised all the membership records. Technically, these cannot be shared amongst the Committee as it would breach data protection. TW proposed that a form be issued to members asking for their emergency contact information along with their van details i.e. Registration Number, length etc. At the bottom of the form would be an authority that this information can be circulated amongst the Committee.

Action :- TW to update booklet. AG and TW to liase in respect of Emergency Information etc.

10.Date of Next Meeting

It was proposed that the next meeting be after the AGM on 12th October 2019 and the next meeting after that would take place in January 2020.

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