



ASSOCIATION OF WEST MIDLANDS MOTOR CLUBS

MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD AT BROMSGROVE GOLF CENTRE On Tuesday 17th May 2022

Present:

Kevin Witton (Chair)	John Arnold (Secretary)
John Jones (Vice Chair)	Ian Jarrett (Training Officer)
David Simons (Minutes Secretary)	

Delegates from the following clubs:

BRMC, Boundless, Rugby MC, WSSCC, BTRDA, Hagley & District LCC, LCMC, Quinton MC, MGCC

1. Apologies

MAC, Bath MC, Ross & District MC, Dave Nursey, Ken Lloyd. Steve Courts, Martin Moore, Alan Bibby, John Cordery, Mark Wilkinson, Dave Lucas, Bryan Osborn, Cyril Loman.

2. Minutes of the Meeting on 17 August 2021

Proposed: Kevin Page

Seconded: Bill Pardoe

3. Matters Arising

Dates are needed from Motorsport UK for the promised training for Secretaries of the Meeting and Event Stewards

4. Correspondence

Committee minutes and bulletins from Motorsport UK, plus specific items as follows:

- Motorsport UK are looking for donations for Ukraine. This is understood to be for a specific vehicle; a donation will be considered once details are available.
- The Streetcars initiative is looking for interested clubs within Associations and contacts for co-ordination.
- MOD venues: each Association to have a co-ordination contact.
- An inter-Association Autotest is being held in Wrexham on 1st July 2022, run by Knutsford & District Motor Club. Entries invited.
- ACSMC are running an inter-Association Autosolo.

5. New Clubs / Official Changes / Date Changes

(See Website for Official changes)

Claire Kirkpatrick, new Head of Club and Community Development at Motorsport UK is happy to attend one of our meetings.



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6. Championship Reports

6.1 Stage Rally (Heart of England Championship)

Reports on results to be added to website.

18 cars are on the entry list for Round 3 at Down Ampney, with another 5 on the reserve list and similar numbers for the Round at Abingdon.

Overall, 85 competitors are registered for the Championship, roughly equivalent to 40 cars.

6.2 Car Trial

No report, but understood to be operating well and payments are complete.

7. Training Officer's Report

BRMC training is still being supported and further training is being held at Wittering soon. More fire training is needed and it is hoped that this can be arranged with MAC at season's end.

Sixty and Worcestershire Motor Club have requested general Rally training as they have an event in their area near Hereford, with other local clubs involved. Radio training is in demand and incident handling modules will be coming up. A method of checking attendance at zoom on-line training is live and certification of training completion is being carried out using questions and answers.

Ian Jarrett remains the main contact for training; contact Ian, John Jones or Kevin W.

8. Motorsport UK Regional Committee & Rallies Committee Reports

Regional:

No recent meetings, the next meeting is on 16th June 2022.

Rallies Committee:

Kevin W covered the following items from the meeting on 29th March 2022:

- Escort Tunnels: The issue has extended beyond Ford Escorts and a guidance document for Category 2 cars is being finalised for initial issue to Scrutineers.
- Forestry: Forestry England are working on a draft Master Agreement, environmental issues and air quality are matters to be addressed. The Master Agreement for Scotland has been agreed to 2030, but not fully publicised, it does not cover road rallies, which require separate consideration. The current M/A for Wales is valid to the end of 2023, but a new contract with Rally4Wales is being finalised.
- Rally North Wales: It was reported that there were some poor quality stages, Kevin W will investigate this issue.



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- Junior Rally Proposal: This had started as a Welsh Association proposal but was now generic. Concern was expressed at the poor level of entries in some Junior Championships and it was agreed that further support was needed.

Mike Broad raised the question of homologated FIA rally cars being allowed to compete in domestic UK events and the discussion on this looked at the issue of cost. There was also a discussion on whether feedback would be available from safety delegates' reports on events.

Treasurer's Report

Kevin W reported that every member club has now paid!

There is £18,493.00 in the business account and £100.00 in the cheque account at present.

9. Any Other Business

John A reported that Wolverhampton & South Staffordshire CC were looking to expand the entries for their night events and there was discussion on how this might be achieved, including possible scope for a further Group.

David S highlighted the poor police response to an incident at a VSCC hill climb event that he had attended at Wiscombe Park in Devon. Whilst the incident was no doubt a matter for discussion between Motorsport UK and Devon & Cornwall Police, it perhaps highlights the need for better liaison between event organisers and local police forces to avoid misunderstandings.

Kevin W reported that Rob Jones has completed the Telford Fun Run, so any promised sponsorship amounts should now be paid.

The next general meeting will be at 7.30 pm on 16th August 2022

The meeting will be held at Bromsgrove Golf and Conference Centre B60 1LD