



MORRIS REGISTER

The Club for Morris vehicles designed before 1940

The Pre 1940 Morris Register Ltd

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 3rd October 2014 at Coventry Transport Museum, Millennium Place, Hales Street, Coventry, CV1 1JD

The meeting opened at 10.31 am. The Chairman welcomed members, and asked them to stand for a minute's silence in honour of a number of members who have passed away during the year.

1 Those present:

John Ford, Tom Bourne, Stephen Gant, Jane Nathan, Rob Symonds, Pat Farmer, Jim Riglar, John Powell, Tony Nathan, John Howells, Malcolm Dixon, Trevor Willsdon, Pam Lee, Dave Lee, Roger Clitheroe, John Sargeant, June Sargeant, Barbara Farmer, Tom Taylor, Neil Truslove, Christine Truslove, Dave Lawton, Gideon Booth, Julian Jankowski, Roger Needle, John Nagle, Jo Nagle, Chris Lambert, Roy Pidgeon, Brendan Jones, Anne Riglar, Roger Pantling, Paul Hollis, Graham Wiley

Apologies for Absence:

Harry Good, Ben Gadsby, Mike Brears, Val Brears, Doug Townsend, Ken & Hilda Johnson, Caroline & Tim Harris, Michael Moxon, Peter & Josie Harrison, Anil Koshti.

2 Presentation of Awards

The annual awards, to recognise outstanding contributions to the life of the Club, were awarded as follows: The Writer's Chalice was presented by the Editor to Doug Townsend, recognising his contribution to the Magazine over many years. The Mary Benfield trophy was awarded by the Chairman to John Sargeant for his input into organising events within the Midlands region. The President's Choice trophy was awarded by the President to Tom Bourne in recognition of the preparation of the National Committee Manual. The Chairman's award (the trophy that had been presented by Harry Edwards) was presented to Paul Hollis in recognition of his work for the Club during the year and over previous years. The Calormeter trophy will be held over.

3 Approval of the Minutes of the AGM held on 4th October 2014

The minutes of the previous AGM were published in the November 2014 edition of Morris Monthly. These were approved unanimously as a true record of the meeting.

4 Pre 1940 Morris Register Ltd Director's Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31st January 2015

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the Pre 1940 Morris Register Ltd. There being no queries, the accounts were adopted with 121 proxy votes and votes in the meeting in favour and 1 against.

5 Appointment of the Accountants

The continued appointment of Plummer Parsons as the Club's accountants was approved with 121 proxy votes and votes in the meeting in favour and 1 against.

6 Election of Officers

The chairman explained that under rule 5(a) six “Elected Officers” are to be elected. The post of Secretary is vacant; Jim Riglar, nominated by Tom Bourne, seconded by Harry Good, was elected unanimously. The post of Webmaster is now vacant and there was no nomination.

The following serving officers were re-elected by proxy votes and votes in the meeting:

		For	Against
Chairman	John Ford	120	2
Treasurer	Steve Gant	121	1
Membership	Jane Nathan	122	0
Secretary			
Editor	Rob Symonds	122	0

7 Resolutions

Resolution 5: That Rule 3(a) of the “Rules of the Morris Register” be amended by inserting the words “The Management Team may second a Specialist Officer into post, subject to ratification of this secondment by the National Committee at its next meeting” after “no longer required.” Proposed by Tom Bourne, Seconded by Jim Riglar. The resolution was approved with 120 proxy votes and votes in the meeting in favour and 1 against.

8 Specialist Officers

The meeting noted that the following Specialist Officers have agreed to continue in post:

National Rally Organiser	Ben Gadsby
Federation Representative	Pat Farmer
Spares Secretary	Dave Lawton
MSA Representative	Roger Needle
DVLA authentication Officer	Vacant
PWMN Affiliation	Chris Lambert
Shopkeeper	Julian Jankowski
Vehicle Registrar	Mike Brears
Information Centre	John & Jo Nagle
Archivist	John Powell
Overseas Secretary	Tom Taylor
Spares Officers	David & Lindsay Smith

9 Chairman’s Report

The Chairman reported that the past year had been another very successful year for the club, with the finances stable and membership growing. He thanked all the officers for their contribution and for helping to carry the club forward. He was pleased to see continuing high levels of activity within the regions, and gave particular praise to the team organising the National Rally at Thoresby. This had been a particular success, aided by the weather of course, in that it was the first rally to be held under the banner of the MVA – Morris Vehicles Association – and had been particularly well received by the other Morris related clubs under the MVA “umbrella”. Arrangements are now well in hand for the club’s stand at the NEC Classic Car Show. In closing he thanked the outgoing secretary for his support over the past 5 years, and welcomed Jim into the post.

10 Secretary’s Report

The Secretary thanked all the officers and members who have given him so much support and encouragement over the past 5 years. The club has now reached the conclusion of a long period of re-development and modernisation. This started with the changes to the company structure under the guidance of Mike Brears. The detailed governance procedures and management structures, that are essential to the smooth running of the club, have now been agreed and are published in the National Committee Manual. He thanked the members of the Management Team, which has been in place for a year, for their support. This Team is proving to be very effective in the day-to-day management of the club. The Club is now in a sound position to look forward and to continue to

grow and to meet the challenges of the future. He concluded by stressing the importance of handling any complaints and grievances with great care, and by using the Complaints Procedure.

11 Date and Place of next Annual General Meeting:

Saturday 1 October 2016 at Coventry Transport Museum.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for attending, and closed the meeting at 11.05.