



# MORRIS REGISTER

The Club for Morris vehicles designed before 1940

## The Pre 1940 Morris Register Ltd

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at the The Blunsdon House Hotel, Swindon, Wiltshire

The meeting opened at 10.34 am with the presentation of awards. President Bob Beaumont presented the annual awards, saying how pleased he was to see so many members taking an active role in organising and supporting events. The Writer's Chalice was awarded to Roger and Margaret Lintott for their report "Three Morrisies Go to France". The Mary Benfield Trophy went to Pat Farmer for his work and commitment in organising the Centenary Tour of the Midlands. The Calormeter Trophy was given to Roger Rose in recognition of his commitment to caring for the Club Van over many years, and the President's Choice award went to Roger Needle for his work in organising most of the Centenary events. The Chairman then presented the Harry Edwards trophy to John and Jo Nagle for their outstanding work with the membership system.

#### 1 Those present:

Bob Beaumont, Ken Johnson, John Ford, Tom Bourne, Stephen Gant, Jayne Nathan, Rob Symonds, Pat Farmer, Richard Hankinson, Geoff Whitehouse, Jim Riglar, Julian Jankowski, John Powell, Mike Brears, John Nagle, Geoff Whitehouse, Tony Nathan, Caroline Harris, Roy Pidgeon, John Howells, Malcolm Dixon, Trevor Willsden, Anne Riglar, Hilda Johnson, Val Brears, Tim Harris, Pam Lee, Dave Lee, Jo Nagle, Roger Clitheroe, John Sargeant, June Sargeant, Geoff Salminen, Alec Elliot, Barbara Farmer, Alma Humphries, John Humphries

#### 2 Apologies for Absence:

Michael Taylor, Tom Taylor, Neil Truslove, Christine Truslove, Ben Gadsby, Ken Martin, Margaret Molyneux, David Molyneux, Paul James, Celia James, Harry Good, Phil Butland, Gideon Booth, Doug Townsend, Roger Needle, Derek & Pearl Ayres, Ray Frampton

#### 3 Approval of the Minutes of the AGM held on 6th October 2012

The minutes of the previous AGM were published in the November 2012 edition of Morris Monthly. These were approved unanimously as a true record of the meeting.

#### 4 Chairman's Report

The Chairman briefly summarised the highlights of the past year. The low point was the death of former chairman Dave Harris, who was a hard act to follow. He paid tribute to Dave's achievements, with Mike Brears, in the modernisation of the club. £500 has been donated to the Motor Neurone Disease Association from the sales of Martin Redmond's book, and more is to come. The Centenary events started well with the event at Nuffield House splendidly organised by the Bullnose Morris Club, as well as the Chilterns Region event on the same day. The Centenary Event at Cornbury was the event of the year, with over 2,000 cars present, and over 100 on the Morris Register stand. The camaraderie between the Morris clubs will carry our club forward into the future. Our National Rally at Thoresby was the best ever, with over 200 cars attending, many from overseas. Thanks are due to our Thoresby team and their helpers for an

amazing effort. He welcomed Ben Gadsby onto the team and thanked Malcolm Dixon for all his hard work over the years.

All in all it has been an exceptional year, and he thanked all for their contributions. He mentioned that next year will be the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the launch of the Morris 8, with more celebrations to mark that. He also mentioned the proposals now being developed for affiliation between the Morris clubs, and with our new membership system in place, we are well positioned to go forward with confidence.

#### **5 Pre 1940 Morris Register Ltd Director's Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013**

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the Pre 1940 Morris Register Ltd. The Secretary pointed out that there was an error on the proxy form sent out, which refers to the year as 2012 instead of 2013. There being no queries, the accounts were adopted unanimously.

#### **6 Appointment of the Accountants**

The continued appointment of Plummer Parsons as the Club's accountants was approved unanimously.

#### **7 Election of Officers**

The following officers, co-opted onto the National Committee during the year, were elected unanimously by proxy votes and votes in the meeting totalling 103 votes each:

Membership Secretary	Jayne Nathan
Shopkeeper	Julian Jankowski
Spares Secretary	Richard Hankinson
FBHVC representative	Pat Farmer
Vehicle Registrar	Mike Brears
MSA Representative	Geoff Whitehouse
National Event Organiser	Ben Gadsby
Membership Project Manager	John Nagle

The following officers, offering themselves for re-election, were elected en bloc unanimously by proxy votes and votes in the meeting totalling 103 votes:

Chairman	John Ford
Secretary	Tom Bourne
Treasurer	Steve Gant
Webmaster	Jim Riglar
Editor	Rob Symonds
DVLA Authentication Officer	Gideon Booth
2013 Events Secretary	Roger Needle
Archivist	John Powell

#### **8 Resolutions**

Resolution 5: That the draft "Rules of the Morris Register" be adopted as the rules of the Morris Register. The resolution was carried unanimously by proxy votes and votes in the meeting totalling 103 votes.

#### **9 Date and Place of next Annual General Meeting:**

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at the Blunsdon House Hotel, Swindon.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for attending, and closed the meeting at 11.10.