



MORRIS REGISTER

The Club for Morris vehicles designed before 1940

MINUTES OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Held Saturday 4th October 2014 at the The Blunsdon House Hotel, Swindon, Wiltshire
The meeting opened at 11.20, following the AGM

1. Those Present & Apologies for Absence:

President: Malcolm Dixon

Committee members Present: John Ford, Tom Bourne, Steve Gant, Jane Nathan, Rob Symonds, Pat Farmer, Jim Riglar, Julian Jankowski, John Powell, Tony Nathan, Neil Truslove, John Howells, Barbara Farmer, Tom Taylor,

Other members Attending: Trevor Willsden, Christine Truslove, Roger Clitheroe, Dave Lee, Pam Lee, Tony Hale, Ian Harris, Paul James, Celia James, Ken Holden, Dean Everard, John Sargeant, June Sargeant, Geoff Salminen

Apologies for absence received from: Ben Gadsby, Roger Needle, Mike Brears, Roy Pidgeon, Gideon Booth, Harry Good, Chris Lambert, Ken Johnson, Hilda Johnson, Caroline Harris

2. Approval of the Minutes of the National Committee of 26 April 2014. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

3. Matters Arising

ITEM	MINUTE	ACTION
4	<u>GOVERNANCE</u>	
	<p>a. Election of President. The meeting voted unanimously to elect Malcolm Dixon as President. The Chairman welcomed Malcolm.</p> <p>b. Specialist Officers. The Chairman reported that Geoff Whitehouse has had to step down, and the meeting agreed to delegate to the Management Team the cooption of a replacement.</p> <p>c. Directors. The meeting agreed to ratify the choice of John Ford, Tom Bourne, Steve Gant and Jim Riglar to serve as directors.</p>	Man. Team
5	<u>NATIONAL COMMITTEE MANUAL</u>	
	a. The secretary tabled the printed version of the National Committee Manual that had been approved at the last meeting. Regional Secretaries were encouraged to share this with their committees.	
6	<u>FINANCE ISSUES</u>	
	<p>a. Budget and Subscriptions. The treasurer presented his budget for 2015 and recommended that subscriptions remain at the current level (with the exception of the previously agreed phased increase for Europe). He confirmed that this would rely on Thoresby becoming self-funding. He proposed that the £3 discount for Direct Debit payments should be discontinued, and replaced by a £2 handling charge for cheque payments. The National Committee agreed to the draft budget for 2015/16, agreed that the basic subscription rate should be for both Direct Debit and PayPal, and that a £2 handling charge should be made for payments by cheque, and authorised the Management Team to fix subscriptions for 2015/16 within a £1 range in the light of the finalised budget.</p> <p>b. NEC Classic Car Show. The chairman described work in progress, and stated that an increase in the budget was needed to cover the costs of power, banner erection, and new carpet. The National Committee agreed to an increase in the budget for the NEC Classic Car Show to £1,500.</p> <p>c. The Club Trailer. The Chairman outlined the background to the Club Trailer,</p>	Man. Team

	<p>and stated that apart from the difficulty in towing it due to its size and weight, we actually no longer need it.</p> <p>The National Committee agreed that the trailer should be sold, target price £1,200 - £1,500, and that it should be offered to members first by an advert in the magazine.</p>	JF
7	<u>INSURANCE AND RELATED ISSUES</u>	
	<p>The secretary outlined progress in the issue of Professional Indemnity. Insurance cover would be very expensive. Legal advice was that we need robust disclaimers for the magazine and technical publications, and terms and conditions for the use of the website.</p> <p>The committee noted this progress, and agreed to a proposal that the disclaimer should be printed into reprints of the manuals, and printed on sticky labels to put in existing stock.</p>	TB
8	<u>PROCEEDINGS OF THE MANAGEMENT TEAM</u>	
	<p>The chairman reported that he had asked Rob Symonds to join the Management team.</p> <p>The committee considered and noted the report on the proceedings of the Management Team for the period April to September 2014.</p>	
9	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>	
	<p>The dates for the coming year were agreed as 25 April 2015 and 3 October 2015. Venue to be Coventry Transport Museum.</p>	
	There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.30	