



# MORRIS REGISTER

The Club for Morris vehicles designed before 1940

## MINUTES OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**The meeting opened at 11.20**

### **1. Those Present & Apologies for Absence:**

**President:** Bob Beaumont. **Vice President:** Ken Johnson

**Committee members Present:** John Ford, Tom Bourne, Stephen Gant, Jane 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

**Other members Attending:** 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

**Apologies for absence received from:** Tom Taylor, Neil Truslove, Christine Truslove, Ben Gadsby, Margaret Molyneux, David Molyneux, Harry Good, Phil Butland, Gideon Booth, Roger Needle,

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the National Committee of 27 July 2013.** The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

### **3. Matters Arising**

ITEM	MINUTE	ACTION
4	<u>GOVERNANCE</u>	
	<p>a. The secretary gave a brief summary of the main points of the new rules just adopted in the AGM. The overall purpose of focusing on the process of governance and rules is to ensure that the club can run like a “well oiled machine”, with all members working together to common purpose. Detailed Roles and Responsibilities will now be prepared.</p> <p>b. Rule 3a can only come fully into force at the next AGM in terms of the appointment of the elected and specialist officers. <b>It was agreed that in the meantime the National Committee will have the power to co-opt specialist officers as necessary as if Rule 3a was fully in place.</b></p> <p>c. Appointment of Directors. <b>The National Committee ratified the choice of members to serve as directors for the coming year. Those directors present then agreed to appoint John Ford, Tom Bourne, Steve Gant and Jim Riglar as directors.</b></p>	<p>TB</p> <p>TB</p>
5	<u>DATA POLICY UPDATE</u>	
	The secretary summarised the responses to the letter to members who have opted out of having their data made available within the club. So far, only 12 want to remain opted out. He is to look into the insurance aspects of data protection. <b>The national committee agreed to delegate this decision to the Management Team.</b>	TB

6	<b><u>FINANCE ISSUES</u></b>	
	<p>a. The Treasurer presented his draft budget for the year ahead. There was a discussion on the need for “professional fee protection” to cover the eventuality of an investigation by HMRC. <b>The National Committee agreed to the draft budget for 2014/15.</b></p> <p>b. The Treasurer then reported on his analysis of the scales of subscription fees for UK and overseas. This identified a discrepancy in the case of Europe and World Wide Electronic (WWE). There was then a long discussion on the best way to resolve this discrepancy, and also how to strengthen the incentive for members to move to Direct Debit. In conclusion, there was a broad consensus to reduce the WWE rate to £30, to increase the discount for Direct Debit to £3.00, and to increase the EU rate over 3 years to remove the discrepancy. <b>The increase for EU should be fixed now in order to notify the Holland group. The remainder of the changes should be reconsidered in January in the light of the final budget. The reasons for the changes should be explained clearly to members.</b></p>	<p>SG</p> <p>SG</p>
7	<b><u>CLUB VAN AND LORRY</u></b>	
	<p>a. The chairman reported that the Chilterns Region had volunteered to take the club van for 2014. A logbook must be kept detailing the name of driver and mileometer readings for each journey, fuel used, servicing and repairs. A named driver responsible for the van will be needed for insurance purposes.</p> <p>b. Due to the loss of its winter quarters the lorry will be moved from Laurie Cook to Mark Walker at Avon Dasset. It should be used for events wherever possible. Possibility of accommodation at Gaydon will be investigated. The meeting expressed thanks to Laurie for looking after the lorry so well and for so long.</p>	
8	<b><u>MEETING DATES FOR THE COMING YEAR</u></b>	
	<p>Dates were agreed as follows:  18 January 2014  26 April 2014  26 July 2014  4 October 2014, at the Blunsdon House Hotel, Swindon, Wiltshire  The meeting closed at 12.50</p>	