

# BRIDGEND AUTOMOBILE CLUB LTD.

Affiliated to MSA, ASWMC & WAMC.

## Minutes of the **Bridgend Automobile Club Annual General Meeting** held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at Pantrythyn Farm, Bridgend

## Present:

Paul Steddy (Chairman) Tom Pedersen (Secretary) Leighton Smith (Competition Secretary) Rob James (Treasurer) **Bethany Dance** 

Gareth Tilleke Jayne Jones Craig Smith Colin Price Kathryn Mountjoy

The meeting commenced at 20:30. As attendance was greater than 5 members, a quorum was noted as being present.

In accordance with the rules of the Club, Paul stood down as chair. It was proposed by Tom, seconded by Gareth and agreed that Paul would chair this meeting.

## 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Gethin Jones Snr., Roger Evans, Geoff Bessant, Zach Usher, Zoe Bann and Matthew Steddy.

## 2. Approval of Previous Minutes

Paul proposed and Leighton seconded that the minutes from the AGM of 29 April 2014 were a true and accurate record. The proposal was carried.

### 3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

## 4. Competition Secretary's Report

Leighton highlighted the following points from the 2014 competition year:

- Events continue to be well supported.
- There are new organisers for events which is very welcoming and easing

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the burden on the core team.

- Ewenny woods was not used last year and is unlikely to be used again due to weather dependence, venue cost, low number of competitors and safety.
- The future of the quarry venue is also in doubt at this time as the requested cost was £250 per event although negotiations by Rob are ongoing. It was noted that the Club still has cones in the quarry.
- Walters arena has been offered as a venue at £15/car. Leighton is to negotiate with them.
- One Club event had an unannounced visit from an MSA representative. The subsequent feedback was very positive.
- Entry fees are being held and are considered to give excellent value for money.
- Overall 2014 was considered to be a very successful year for the Club.

A vote of thanks was given to Leighton and all other organisers for their excellent work in co-ordinating the events and championships.

#### 5. Treasurers Report

Rob reported that the accounts had been prepared but unfortunately were not available for the meeting. The accounts will be posted on the Club website when available.

Rob reported the following points:

- Club finances as of 31 May 2015 stood at £13,464.69.
- There had difficulty with arranging appropriate signatories with the bank, a business bank account has been applied for and is expected to be opened in the next 7 days.
- When we have access to the account, a savings account will be opened with Aldermore.
- All the previous HMRC issues have now been resolved.

A vote of thanks to Rob for taking on the treasurer duties from Rob Coleman was proposed by Gareth and seconded by Paul.

#### 6. General Discussion

Paul sadly noted the passing of John Bevan last year who was a long standing member of the Club.

As new members to the Club, Colin and Craig were asked what they wanted from the Club. They stated that they were mainly interested in autotests.

Leighton reported that he had attended a Maesteg club night and it was well attended as they put on regular activities. If the Club returns to the Barley Mow, we should consider doing the same thing.

As reported at the last meeting, Jayne had purchased Club clothing and would be

doing the same this year.

It was noted that the farmer is happy if we put a container/office on the Llandow venue. Obtaining of a suitable container will be progressed.

It was noted that the Classic Car Show last year was cancelled due to the bad weather.

#### 7. Notices of Motion

No notices of motion were received.

#### 8. Election of Officers

Tom Pedersen proposed and Jayne seconded that the current committee were elected en-bloc. The proposal was carried.

#### 9. Any Other Business

It was highlighted that Byron Thomas had mentioned that he considered the 10second penalty for hitting a cone in autotests was too much. It was noted that this was the specified standard in the blue book although it could be overridden by supplementary regulations. As the slowest run from events was dropped, the penalty was considered appropriate and would not be changed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:20.

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Tom Pedersen BAC Secretary

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