



Bridgend Automobile Club Minutes

14th October 2025

The Barley Mow Graig Penllyn

Attendees: HL, JS, JM, PS, GB, LS

Apologies: GT, CF, TP, RJ

Minutes: GB

Events

- The last Autotest took place on Sunday 21st September with 21 entries, we have received some positive comments about the course which was setup by HL, JS & Stuart Roberts.
- The next event is on Sunday 26th October, currently we have 8 driver entries signed on. The course will be set up by Helen & Jack on similar lines to the last event. JM/GB will sort the paddock
- Portakabin. Ongoing monitoring and repair with a potential view to replace in the future. **ACTION: Ongoing**
- **HL** The Gymkhana that was organised for August will now take place on 16th November at Llandow. Discussion took place on how to allocate point for this event and it was agreed 'Double Points'.
GB to request TP to organise a permit for this event.
Event to be publicised on Facebook as soon as possible.
ACTION: HL

FINANCE

BAC Treasurers Report

14/10/2025

1. Hampshire Trust Bank Savings Account – we have £12,000 invested for 1 year @ 4.22% fixed AER to mature on 14/3/26.
2. The balance at Lloyds Bank on 10th October 2025 was £3,160.57

Payments out in the period were:

19/9/25	Lloyds Bank Charges	£4.25
24/9/25	MSUK Permit Llandow Event	£210.00
24/9/25	Llandow Venue	£70.00
2/10/25	Flag & Brushes	£35.98

Receipts in were:

10/10/25	Event Entries	£150.00
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Rob James
BAC Treasurer

Petty Cash: TP Reports £68.30 in debit
(the increase due to office 365 subscription being paid)

PREVIOUS AOB

- **HL** – The Go Karting experience was canned due to lack of interest but HL will consider a Facebook post again during the Autumn/Winter months.
- **ACTION: HL ONGOING**
- **HL** – A visit to Apex race rooms still to be rearranged
PS reported he had visited there and it was a very good experience
ACTION: JM, HL
- **JM** The publicity flyer – to be discussed at next meeting – how to make use and sort out printing etc. **Ongoing**
- **HL** and **CF** will work on a promotional video for the club to be presented to the committee at some point in the future. **Ongoing.**
- **JM** now has the minutes book that was in the possession of John James for digitising. **Ongoing**

AOB

- **GB** - Awards Night: It was agreed that GB try to Book Saturday 28th February at The Pheasant. If that is unavailable then optional dates are Sat 31st Jan and Sat 7th March
ACTION: GB
- **JM** Will run another poll before Christmas in the same manner as the one that was run earlier in the year **Ongoing**
- **HL** asked if there was a way to advise people after Signing On that their payment has been received. It was advised that this would be a manual operation and not something we would normally do. GB to progress as discussed with HL.
- **HL** reported that CF talking to his employers (TARMAC), about any potential sites that could be used for events.
- **PS** suggested having an App for Autotests – his son created one in about 15 minutes and it could be used when Timing Gear not available. Needs further investigation/discussion.
- **PS** suggested the club purchase some windbreaks to facilitate people relieving themselves
- **JM** produced a paper concerning Points Allocation on events and the main points are highlighted below:
 1. It is accepted that the Point Matrix form definitely needs an update, we need full committee (especially TP), for this.

2. The Sign On/Entry Form only allows entrants to select one class, and it was thought that they should have point scored across a number of Championships. LS pointed out that he does allocate points to the various championships.
3. The Matrix states that both Junior & Ladies Championships attract points to Clubmans Championship – in practice this has never been done.
4. Proposal of two new awards:
The Becs Williams Women in Motorsport (For female Members collecting points in non motorsport driving or navigating competitions
And
The Howard Davies Spirit Award (For junior members collecting points in non motorsport driving or navigating competitions
Further discussion took place about the awards generally, no final decision made.
5. It was highlighted during discussions that PS raised about whether we should have a ladies class that the club has to be accepting and supportive to any member who enters that class. MSUK has very clear policies on self identification of gender and we need to be fully compliant. It was felt we hadn't had any issues like this but JM raised for committee awareness.
6. Juniors – Noted all points are kept within the Junior Championship, this is done in practice but the Matrix reads differently
7. Ladies Championship Rules – these need to be added to the website
ACTION – GB
8. Invited Club Members: Perhaps more clarity required so they know they do not get points in in BAC Championships. Although it was noted for just £10 BAC Membership they could be included !
9. Non BAC events points claims will be shared with the committee monthly to check for irregularities. Question on proof as we have never asked, although the handbook states it is needed. Once agreed will be awarded and the membership updated on activities.
10. Suggested we have some 'core routes/courses' for the events and just stick to those. The last event in September was very warmly received by the attendees – this was agreed it was a good way forward,
11. It was proposed that a 30 minute break be taken during BAC Autotests to allow people to visit the facilities at Llandow Circuit if required. Majority of the meeting did not think this was practical. However JM will add this to his next survey to be sent out to members.
ACTION - JM
12. It was agreed that JM be supplied with Members email address to send surveys direct to Members as responses from Surveys on Facebook is very low. Require TP to liaise with JM
ACTION – TP

13. Proposed that we setup a WhatsApp Group for the Membership and have it in place for January 2026. Members to be added as membership applications received.
14. **JM** proposed that we make contact with Llandow Circuit to see if we could make use of their facilities. It was noted this had been tried before and the cost was in the region of £2k - £2.5k
PS advised contacting Tony & Sharon Evans
ACTION - JM

Meeting closed at 20:45

Date of Next Meeting: 7pm Tuesday 11th November 2025