



BRIDGEND AUTOMOBILE CLUB LTD.

Affiliated to Motorsport UK & WAMC.

Minutes of the Bridgend Automobile Club Annual General Meeting held on 14th April 2026 at the Barley Mow, Graig Penllyn

Present:

Paul Steddy (Chairman)
Jack Sterling
Gareth Tilleke
Helen Lorentzen
Helen Coleman-Mayne
Daniel Bagg

Tom Pedersen (Secretary)
Rob James (Treasurer)
Chris Fargher
Jonathan Mayne
Leighton Smith (Comp Sec)
Kirsty Fox

The meeting commenced at 19:55. As attendance was greater than five or more members, as agreed at the AGM of 2011, a quorum was deemed as being present.

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

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Geoff Bessant.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

It was proposed by Tom and seconded by Gareth that the minutes from the AGM of 8th April 2025 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:

- The 2025 year was successful with near full entries on all events.

- Events are running well and more people are now coming forward to organise and help on events, but more volunteers would be appreciated.
- Jonathan is now co-ordinating the results.

Paul proposed a vote of thanks to Leighton and the Team for their considerable effort during the year. This was seconded by Gareth and agreed by the meeting.

5. Treasurers Report

Rob provided the following report to the meeting:

- The accounts for the period ending 31st December 2025 have been circulated to committee members and a copy is available at this meeting for inspection if required. If approved the accounts will be made available for signing and will then be filed at Companies House.
- The club was reasonably active in 2025 and ended the year with a Balance Sheet of £17,896.00 compared to £18,310.00 in 2024 indicating a loss of £414.00 for the year mainly due to the larger donation made to Welsh Air Ambulance of £1,000.00.
- In March 2025 a deposit of £12,000 was made into a 1 year fixed interest savings account with Hampshire Trust Bank which produced a return of 4.22% AER and amounted to £526.19 received in interest.
- As Treasurer I produce regular reports for committee meetings showing current balances, revenue, and expenditure for each period.

Rob reported that the best interest rate for saving he could find was 4%, it was agreed to proceed with this rate.

The meeting also noted that the Club subsidises the awards night.

Rob agreed to obtain quotes for filling in the potholes at Llandow.

Paul proposed a vote of thanks to Rob for his work during the year. This was seconded by Gareth and agreed by the meeting.

6. General Discussion

The following points were discussed:

- The condition of the cabin was discussed. Although the roof is not leaking it was suggested that the Club should invest in a new cabin in the future. It was agreed that buying a cheap cabin would be false economy as it would soon be in the same state as the current cabin. Leighton will contact Tony Greening to discuss options.

- It was noted that the contents of the cabin needs sorting out. This will be done at a later date.
- The requirement for toilet facilities at Llandow events was discussed. There are facilities at Llandow Café but these may be not available at all events. A Portaloo was suggested but the issue of emptying was raised. The requirement will be re-visited at a later date.

7. Notices of Motion

Two Notices of Motion were received from Helen C:

7.1 Volunteer Coordinator:

I would like to suggest that we add the role of Volunteer Coordinator to the BAC committee. I believe that this would help the club with organising and running events. Some benefits of having this role are:

- 1) Ensures that there are enough officials to run each event and reduces the likelihood of last-minute cancellations due to unavailability of key officials.
- 2) Ensures clear communication to volunteers, timely briefings, smooth sign on (at event), managing a fair rotation so the same people aren't doing every job every event (unless they want to).
- 3) Creates a single database for, availability, and specific skill sets (e.g., first aiders, photographers, timekeeper).
- 4) Committee Load-Sharing: Frees up the Chair, Secretary, Comp Sec to focus on their specific duties instead of spending the morning of an event chasing officials.
- 5) Identifies regular volunteers who might be interested in taking on larger committee roles in the future

Jonathan and Helen C agreed to address the requirement.

Helen L agreed to assume the role of Deputy Safeguarding Officer.

7.2 Planning Meeting:

I would like to suggest a planning meeting be held during the 'off season' (August) for the committee to organise and plan for the next season (2027).

As there is very little gap between the end of the season in late December and the start of the next in mid January there is not a lot of time to discuss any changes/issues that need to be addressed before the start of the season. Especially as this falls within the busy Christmas period.

An August meeting would give an opportunity to review and finalise dates for the upcoming season to ensure there are no clashes with holidays such as mother's day/Easter/father's day etc . As well as to discuss any regulation changes, new venues or changes to things such as the drivers

It was agreed that the committee would meet for a curry night in August or September to discuss the following year events.

8. Election of Officers

Tom proposed and Gareth seconded that the current committee members were elected en-bloc. The proposal was carried. There were no additional nominees.

9. Any Other Business

Paul proposed a vote of thanks to Tom, Geoff, Leighton and other helpers for their behind the scene work in running events and all other volunteers for their work in running the events. Gareth seconded and it was agreed by the meeting.

The need for more cones for autotests was discussed, This will be addressed at the next committee meeting.

Chris suggested pictures of committee members was displayed at events. There was some objections and no consensus was reached.

Jack volunteered to take on the role of Competition Secretary from Leighton which was gratefully accepted. Paul proposed that Leighton be a life member in recognition of his work, this was seconded by Jonathan and agreed.

Tom highlighted that he had been Secretary for approaching 50 years and would not continue in the role indefinitely. It was noted that Jonathan has offered assistance.

It was highlighted that Helen L provides refreshments at events at her own expense. It was agreed that the Club will refund this in future.

The meeting closed at 20:55.



Tom Pedersen
BAC Secretary