

THE CARAVAN CLUB – SUFFOLK CENTRE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HINTLESHAM
WEDNESDAY 8TH JUNE 2011

Present

Chairman	Derek Pannell	DP
Vice Chairman/Rally Equipment	Brian Southgate	BS
Vice Chairman/Webmaster	Trevor Smith	TS
Rally Secretary	Nigel Berry	NB
Rally Plaque Officer	Paul Fitch	PF
Sports Officer	Chris Stammers	CS
Junior Crew	Dennis Mattocks	DM
Register Secretary	Sharon Jeeves	SJ
Equipment Officer	John Payne	JP
Publicity & Advertising	Janice Kent	JK

1.0 **Apologies for absence**

1.1 Janet Dobson, Alan Green and Tracy Totman

2.0 **Previous Minutes**

2.1 Proposed by Brian Southgate and seconded by Dennis Mattocks

3.0 **Matters Arising**

9.2 John Payne to check retail prices and committee will agree his recommendations at the next meeting.

4.0 **Chairman's Report**

4.1 DP thanked DM CS,JP and JDfor chairing rallies over the last few weeks.

4.2 National Rally – DP attended

DP thanked CS for all his hard work organising the sports.

The siting of the vans in regional areas was not very popular with Centre members..

4.3 Next year's national Rally will be held at Eastnor castle Herefordshire.

5.0 **Vice Chairman's Report**

5.1 BS attended the Tangham Rally and the House of Commons and enjoyed them both.

BS also attended the National Rally.

2,400 vans attended this year which is less than in previous years.

He felt that the national has run its course in its present format. The majority of attendees seem to be members who do not normally rally.

5.2 TS attended Wings and Wheels – which was a good rally with a huge number of cars and bikes. Although he had received a letter of complaint about there being less planes than last year, but this was due, mainly, to the weather conditions.

6.0 Hon Treasurer's Report

6.1 DP read the report for JD

The end of month is still to be sorted – rally accounts still coming in.

6.2 Newbourne Rally – there are committee problems in the villages and the site may not be viable for rallies in the future.

7.0 Hon Secretary's Report

7.1 TT was unable to attend meeting due to an unforeseen family commitment so was not able to present a report.

8.0 Rally Secretary's Report

8.1 Rallies continue to be booked for 2012

8.2 DP confirmed the Ickworth House Dinner for 8th September 2012.

9.0 Equipment sales

9.1 Nothing to report

10.0 Rally Equipment

10.1 BS has purchased a new bag for the long flagpole.

10.2. TS asked for a new battery for the PA.

11.0 Sports Officer

11.1 CS thanked all those who supported him at the National Rally

12.0 Publicity

12.1 There has been a good response to the request for advertisers but more letters are to be distributed. More colour will be needed in the Handbook and JK will check on the costings.

13.0 Rally Plaque Officer

13.1 All going smoothly with the ordering and delivery of plaques. The only problem is with the late bookings and extra plaques.

14.0 Webmaster

- 14.1 Back dated minutes are now online
- 14.2 TS has set up a Twitter Account for Suffolk Centre

15.0 Newsletter

- 15.1 Now ready for distribution

16.0 Junior Crew

- 16.1 Junior Crew are organising the raffle at the Brightlingsea Rally.
- 16.2 Plans for the Christmas Party are coming along well.

17.0 Register Secretary

- 17.1 Lists are coming through and SJ is keeping them up to date.

18.0 Regional Meeting Report

- 18.1 Sandringham rally now has 110 attending
- 18.2 There will be a Ball at The Grosvenor on 15 June 2012
- 18.3 DP stated that many Suffolk rallies are oversubscribed so it is difficult to highlight rallies for the regional What's On leaflet.
- 18.4 Suffolk will be hosting a dinner at Ickworth House with a rally on the field close by on the 7-9 September 2012.

19.0 Any Other Business

- 19.1 TS has donated trophies for Conker rally and Worm Championship.
- 19.2 DP – booking forms will soon be available for Ickworth Dinner.
- 19.3 JP – Informed committee that a member was taken home feeling ill from the rally
- 19.4 NB – suggested we should be looking for a better rate on the centre funds
- 19.5 DP – would like to take a look at how rally books should be distributed for 2012.

8.50 Meeting closed

Next meeting 13th July 2011