

CARAVAN CLUB SUFFOLK CENTRE

**Minutes of meeting 30th April 08
(May's meeting brought forward one week)**

Present:

Chairman	David Totman
Vice-Chairman	Derek Pannell
Treasurer	Janet Dobson
Secretary	Sheena McCartney
Committee	Denis Mattocks
	Rosanna Watson
	Colin Goddard
	Trevor Smith
	Nigel Berry
	Margaret Calvesbert
	Chris Stammers
	Alan Green

1.0 Apologies for absence

Brian Southgate & Gary Maples

2.0 Signing of previous minutes

2.1 March 5th - Proposed NB Seconded JD

2.2 April 2nd - Proposed JD Seconded CS

3.0 Matters arising

3.1 March 5th minutes - none

3.2 April 2nd minute – AG apologised for missing some details from previous minutes but would have liked the opportunity to redress the issue.

3.3 Repaired flags (10.1) letter of appreciation will be sent

3.4 Letter of complaint (7.5) chairman dealing

4.0 Chairman's report

4.1 DT had attended two rallies since last meeting, both successful and well attended

4.2 Tribute to Anthea Southgate on page 12 of current CC magazine.

4.3 £250 prize received for 2nd place in rally book cover competition. Huge thanks to TS & SM.

4.4 Volunteers will be required to supervise the display of our rally books at Tangham. Committee members will cover some of the times.

5.0 Vice-chairman's report

5.1 DP had also attended two rallies, both successful.

6.0 Treasurers report

6.1 Bank account £8034

Junior fund £1354

6.2 Rally plaque suppliers:

(a) Razamatazz – supplies credit card type plaques. Prices are 42p and 60p for larger ones. JD unsure about VAT content but will make further enquiries if we use this supplier. 10 working days notice is required for orders by email or telephone. There is an additional charge for personalising. No brochure available. Plaques are printed in Brushscript or Broadview theme fonts.

(b) Warfdale & Bowies – Can supply scroll type plaques. 10 working days notice required for orders but can alter requirements provided 5 working days notice is given before time needed. Order by fax or post. Late orders carry a £5 surcharge.

Committee voted to use Wardale & Bowies as future suppliers of plaques, with 'bars' for marshal's plaques.

JD will write to all rally marshals of new supplier for rallies that are planned from June 1st onwards.

NB requested that this supplier should give us a one year price commitment.

DT stated that the plaques for Tangham will be white.

7.0 Secretary's report

7.1 Membership stands at 1130

8.0 Rally Secretary's report

8.1 Request from Hertfordshire Centre to use Copdock

8.2 More rally dates for 2009 received.

9.0 Equipment sales

9.1 New leaflet for toilet blue with confusing prices. MC is going to check prices at National Rally

10.0 Rally Equipment

No report

11.0 Sports officer

11.1 Getting good stock of equipment for rallies.

11.2 Thanks given to AG for supplying 2 new Ridgeon League footballs.

11.3 Teams arranged so far to participate in the National Rally are

volleyball, over 35's football, over 9's football, netball & lawn darts.

11.4 Applications for children's sports must be in by 8th May

12.0 Publicity Officer

12.1 Sponsorship cheque for £50 received from Haven Holidays

12.2 Two rally book advertisers not yet paid: G & R Caravans £50 plus VAT & Stowmarket Caravans £150 plus VAT. TS has offered assistance in collecting these overdue amounts.

13.0 Charity

No report

14.0 Webmaster

14.1 TS apologised for the incorrect email entry which has now been rectified.

14.2 TS also suggested that he could put advert 'banner strips' on the website from relevant advertisers and charge £30 per strip. Three would recoup the annual cost of the website. The committee agreed for TS to go ahead with this.

14.3 It appears that a Mr Paul Lockwood has linked his website with the Centre's showing rally reports and hints for caravanners. The committee requested that this link should be removed and that all rally reports must go to TS in the first instance.

15.0 Newsletter

15.1 Good reports have been received for new style newsletter

15.2 National newsletter has not much content yet. TS & DM to meet.

15.3 Copy of newsletter to be sent to editor@caravanclub.co.uk

16.0 Junior Liaison

16.1 30 children booked for Bredfield

17.0 Regional Meeting Report

Free entertainment for Tuesday evening at the National Rally
HMS Belfast visit for 140 people

2009 House of Commons visit for 140 people; DT will receive 20 tickets to sell. Further details at Regional AGM.

There is no float at the 2008 Lord Mayors Show, but the Red Herring PH is available for club members to use.

The Wanderer is booked for the 2009 Lord Mayors Show

120 units booked for the 5 centres rally

Certain schools are requesting risk assessments for rallies

New regional booklet for new ralliers

New club site in Wales. 'Seaview' opens in June with functions planned for Christmas & New Year. Similar sites are being sought.

£13m had been spent on sites last year, which was a similar amount to the previous year.

Membership numbers increased.

New members recruited at the Stowmarket Caravans dealer day.

An 'It's a Knockout' arranged for the National. Interested party's to meet DS at 14.45 hrs on the Saturday at the side of the main arena.

Plan to have all the rallies in one regional flyer. Request that centre secretary's and rally secretary's phone numbers to be listed on flyer. Suffolk will only supply relevant email addresses.

Next years rally list to be supplied by this November.

If regions are liable for corporation tax it will be deducted from centre grant.

Regional Chairman to be informed of day and times of flagpole.

The Wanderer will feature at the National Rally and also at the Lord Mayors Show in 2009.

Next Meeting will be at Copdock on 7th June. Brian Richards to attend. Also a request for rally secretaries to attend in reference to 4b's exemption rules.

18.0 Anniversary Rally

18.1 DT will supply prizes for the competitions

18.2 Centre history folder will be available

18.3 Subject to weather conditions the marquee will be erected on the Wednesday.

18.4 Centre rally books for display (see Chairmans report 4.4)

18.5 Dry waste containers will be available on site

18.6 An on site food wagon has been arranged.

18.7 John Taylor will be arriving Wednesday.

18.8 The site will be closed to the public from Thurs AM

18.9 No visitors will be allowed in the entertainment venue (this is to give ample space and opportunity for those who are staying on site)

18.10 CS will supply concert type wrist bands to make identification easier

18.11 Due to an anticipated high demand the electricity supply needs to be checked.

18.12 A one way traffic flow system will be in operation.

19.0 National Rally

19.1 Oliver Stuart will carry the centre pennant

19.2 Flagpole will be at 18.00 hrs on the Sunday.

20.0 International Rally

No report

21.0 Any Other Business

21.1 Following an enquiry CG clarified that the cost of the Henham Rally is for a unit which includes two people. Due to the venue's rules a discount cannot be given for single occupancy units.

22.0 Date of next meeting

19.30 hrs on 4th June 08

Meeting closed at 21.20 hrs