

The Caravan Club Suffolk Centre
Minutes of Meeting Wednesday 2nd April 2008

Present: -

Chairman	David Totman
Vice-Chairman	Derek Pannell
Treasurer	Janet Dobson
Secretary	Sheena McCartney
Committee	Nigel Berry
	Brian Southgate
	Gary Maples
	Colin Goddard
	Chris Stammers
	Trevor Smith

1.0 Apologies for absence:-

Margaret Calvesbert, Alan Green, Rosanna Waterson, Denis Mattocks.

2.0 Signing of previous minutes:-

Minutes could not be approved and signed due to lack of detail on a number of points which have to be clarified.

3.0 Matters arising:-

Committee clarified and detailed minutes. SM to rewrite.

4.0 Chairman's report:-

4.1 A large turnout of caravanners at Antheas funeral.

4.2 BS announced as Regional Representative.

5.0 Vice-Chairmans report:-

5.1 DP reported the Working Party Rally at Mildenhall was well, if not over attended, possibly due to being a free rally.

6.0 Treasurers report

6.1 Bank a/c £8,034

Special fund £500

Junior crew £1,354

6.2 The Caravan Club has changed how the corporation tax is paid.

6.3 Annual grant from the Caravan Club has increased from £1600 to £1850.

- 6.4 JD to refund BS meal price of £25 as Anthea was unable to make 40th Birthday pre-season dinner due to ill health.
- 6.5 Cheque for £50 donated to Leukaemia Research in memory of Anthea Southgate.

7.0 Secretarys report

- 7.1 Membership 1100
 - New 37
 - Void 45
 - Transfers 3
- 7.2 Letter received from Cynthia & Edmund Penn from Hertfordshire Centre, congratulating the marshals of the Easter 'Keep it Country' rally, for a well organised and highly enjoyable weekend.
- 7.3 As of 13.3.08 110 Suffolk units booked for National.
- 7.4 Quiz team to be entered at National.
- 7.5 A letter has been received complaining of the attitude of the marshals at the Elmswell Rally towards certain caravanners and how unwelcome they were made to feel. DT to look into this matter further.

8.0 Rally Secretary report.

- 8.1 Derek Stammers has a date for next years 'Working Party Rally' at Mildenhall. What is the limit for Suffolk Centre at the rally as it has increased greatly from the 12 stated in the rally book? NB to monitor situation.

9.0 Equipment Sales.

- 9.1 £123 worth of equipment sold at Suttons Easter Rally.

10.0 Rally Equipment.

- 10.1 Janet King has repaired 3 embroidered flags. A small token of our appreciation to be sent.

11.0 Sports Officer

- 11.1 DT to put in welcome letter at National for all interested parties in the sporting activities to attend the tea/coffee welcome on the Friday.
- 11.2 CS suggested certificates to be presented to all entrants in competitions at the National.

12.0 Publicity Officer.

12.1 Haven Holidays has expressed interest in advertising on our website. Rosanna to follow up.

12.2 SM said John Banks Honda will again sponsor our next newsletter.

13.0 Webmaster.

13.1 8 rally reports have been received since the new year.

14.0 Newsletter

14.1 A newsletter should be ready for the National.

15.0 Junior Crew

Nothing to report

16.0 Regional Meeting report

Nothing to report.

17.0 40th Celebration Rally

17.1 DT has drafted a programme.

17.2 £100 to be donated to the Turkish Belly Dancers for providing Friday nights entertainment.

17.3 Flagpole will be at 10.30am on the Sunday. Rally ends 3pm.

17.4 Draw to take place over the weekend in memory of Anthea.

Proceeds to go to Leukaemia Research. Donation of prizes welcome.

17.5 There was concern over the size of the marquee but this was eased as DT confirmed it will seat 400 conference style or 250 with tables.

18.0 International Rally

18.1 75th FICC Rally to be held at Trinity Park, Suffolk Showground, Ipswich 31st July – 9th August 2009.

19.0 National Rally.

19.1 SM has received entry forms for team competitions.

19.2 No one has expressed interest in organising the decorated vehicle entry. Theme is by the seaside. To be advertised on website.

20.0 Any Other Business.

20.1 TS to send message of thanks to the owners of Peewit for all their assistance over the weekend.

20.2 Letter received on 15th March from Baypress apologising for not getting plaques to marshals on time.

Prices of Baypress seem to be increasing with a very confusing pricing scale. Committee to look for other suppliers.
JD to investigate the price of the plaques for Tangham.

21.0 Date of Next Meeting.
30th April 2008