

THE CARAVAN CLUB – SUFFOLK CENTRE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HINTLESAHM
Wednesday 8th April 2009

Present

Chairman	Derek Pannell
Vice Chair	Brian Southgate
Treasurer	Janet Dobson
Secretary	Tracy Totman
Rally Secretary	Nigel Berry
Equipment Sales	Gary Maples
Rally Equipment	Darren Fitch
Registration Secretary	Sheena McCartney
Publicity	Rosanna Waterson
Sports Officer	Christopher Stammers

- 1.0 Apologies for Absence** **ACTION**
1.1 Colin Goddard, Alan Green, Trevor Smith and Denis Mattocks
- 2.0 Previous Minutes**
2.1 Approved by Brian Southgate and seconded by Gary Maples
- 3.0 Matters Arising**
3.1 10.4 Should read that Alan Green would do PAT test on boilers not service them
3.2 17.3 Should read that the increase in cost of the National was to decrease the loss not recuperate it.
- 4.0 Chairman's Report**
4.1 DP had attended a rally at Saxstead that had to be moved from Brantham Bull as the new owners did not want the caravans there. He thanked Nick the landlord for taking the rally at short notice. Butley had been a very enjoyable rally with good weather.
- 5.0 Vice Chair Report**
5.1 BS had attended the Mildenhall clear up rally and reported that the Club site looked much improved after everyone's hard work. Tattingstone had been a good rally with nice weather.
- 6.0 Treasurers Report.**
6.1 JD reported that all was well with the finances but would like to discuss rally plaques. There then ensued a long discussion around the cost of rally plaques, small rallies and the number of colours on rally plaques. It was established that rally marshals should only be requesting two colour rally plaques not three as some marshal had been doing. Also rallies should not go ahead with less than 10 vans unless the committee had discussed and agreed it could go ahead.
NB brought up about the cost of admin which pays for plaques costs and suggested that it could be changed to 50p per night per van, which would result in no change for a weekend rally and a small increase on Bank Holiday weekends. The committee agreed that this was a good idea and a vote was taken and the verdict was unanimous. The change would probably take place at New Year.
Proposed by NB and seconded by TT.

- 6.2 JD to order 200 Triangle Rally Marshals plaques to be given to all Rally Marshals as from January 09 JD
- 7.0 Secretary Report.**
- 7.1 Current membership stands at 1069
- 7.2 There had been no membership cards for the past month due to the changing system at East Grinstead.
- 7.3 The CLO for the National would be Derek Pannell and that the Caravan Club were stipulating that only one CLO for up to 70 vans. DP asked BS to raise this at the Regional Meeting in his absence as it was felt that we needed two CLO for that number of vans. At the present time there were 47 vans booked on the National.
- 7.5 The National Sports form had been received and TT was to return them entering everything which would allow us to withdraw if no team available. TT
- 8.0 Rally Secretary Report.**
- 8.1 Nothing to report.
- 8.2 DP reported that the Suffolk Show ground would be too expensive to run the AGM rally there in 2010 so we needed to investigate a new venue.
- 8.3 CS reported that Greeshams was not suitable for the Natter and Chatter rally so we would need to continue to look for a new venue.
- 8.4 DP stated that the 5 Centres Rally for 2010 would be held near Braintree.
- 9.0 Equipment Sales**
- 9.1 GM reported that he had new supplies of Blue Loo and Pink Flush both at cheaper prices but Elsan Make where now in stock. He had also obtained the stock of fuses that would be put into the equipment boxes. He has at the moment been unable to get 2 teapots as out of stock.
- 10 Rally Equipment**
- 10.1 DF reported that Wendy Johnson had made the two yellow flags and would like a donation to go the Chairman's Charity instead of payment. It was agreed that £20 be paid into the Charity fund.
- 10.2 BS offered to take the equipment to the National, DP thanked him.
- 11.0 Sports Officer**
- 11.1 CS had no idea who would be willing to participate at the National so it would be established at the venue if we had any teams.
- 12.0 Registration Secretary**
- 12.1 SM reported that she was continuing with the list. It was time consuming and was missing several years so requested that TT look into what information she may have in past files. TT
- 13.0 Publicity**
- 13.1 All invoices had been paid. Will start looking at getting advertising for next rally book
- 14.0 Junior Crew**
- 14.1 No report
- 15.0 Newsletter**
- 15.1 No report.

- 16.0 Webmaster**
16.1 No report
- 17.0 Regional Meeting report.**
17.1 .No report
17.2 Next regional Meeting to be held on Saturday 25th April 2009.
- 18.0 AOB**
18.1 JD requested that she could up the Tangham rally numbers by 5 this was agreed and NB to inform the Caravan Club.
18.3 JD raised the point 18.3 from the last minutes to answer Alan Greens question about the motion at the AGM. A motion cannot take effect until the minutes have been signed and they have to be signed at the next years AGM..
18.4 JD requested that a donation from the Childrens fund be made to the Moo Farm rally to help entertain the children. This was agreed.
- 19.0 Date of next meeting**
Wednesday 13th May 2009 at 7.30p.m. at Hintlesham.
Meeting closed at 8.50p.m.

