

**THE CARAVAN CLUB – SUFFOLK CENTRE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HINTLESHAM**

**WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 7.30pm**

**Present:**

Lady Chairman	Janice Kent	JK
Vice Chairman	Nigel Berry	NB
Vice Chairman	Trevor Smith	TS
Treasurer	Mark Gowers	MG
Secretary	Diane Preston	DP
Rally Secretary	Alan Dobson	AD
Publicity	Derrick Stammers	DS
Equipment Officer	Jerry Goddard	JG
Equipment Sales	Paul Fitch	PF
Junior Crew Liaison	Mandi Syrett	MS
Minutes Secretary	Karen Fisk	KF
Sports Officer	Chris Stammers	CS

**1.0 Apologies for Absence**

None

**2.0 Signing of Previous Minutes**

Proposed TS

Seconded DP

**3.0 Matters Arising**

None

**4.0 Lady Chairman's Report**

4.1 JK thanked MS for chairing the Claire Rally which was very good including the perfect weather.

**5.0 Vice Chairman's Report**

5.1 TS chaired the Fun in the Fens Rally with very good socials, coffee & cake get together, a hog roast . On Friday night there was a lot of movement with early and late arrivals as not many stayed for the whole 2 weeks there was a warm welcome for all. There was one first rallier.

5.2 DS chaired Brightlingsea and praised DP and crew for all their hard work. There was also two new ralliers.

5.3 AD chaired Framlingham which was very good and Derrick Pannel chaired Crowfield which was down a few vans on previous years. . DP chaired Waldergraves which was attended by one new rallier.

## **6.0 Hon Treasurer's Report**

### 6.1 Funds to end of July

Bank Account	£ 11,716.83
Unpresented cheque	£ ( 110.00)
True balance	£ 11,606.83
Caravan Club	£ 7,500.00
Cash with Treasurer	£ 42.83
Total	£ 19,369.66

6.2 Balance includes rally deposits of £5,560.00 for Thorpeness 2015.  
Q2 VAT is payable of £1,637.04

### 6.3 Fund Balances:

Charity Fund	£413.00
Junior Crew	£614.78
Special Fund	£284.19

### 6.4 Rally Accounts

Framlingham accounts received. Waldergraves, Crowfield and Lawns Holiday not yet received.

### 6.5 Defaulters

One from silly shirts

### 6.6 Equipment Sales

Clare and Fun in the Fens received at meeting.

### 6.7 Advertising income

Still outstanding £852.00.

## **7.0 Secretary's Report**

7.1 Membership	1137
Correspondence	none
Register	up to date

7.2 DP reports sending out between 10 and 20 rally books to new members per week.

## **8.0 Rally Secretary's Report.**

8.1 AD making good progress with 2016 programme 32 rally's listed so far with several dates pending.

Suffolk 4Bs have been returned confirming Waldegraves Park Mersea and Homestead, Weeley.

8.2 Invitation Rally Mildenhall - Sweeping of the Leaves- an invitation has been sent to other centres in region for their programme. It has been acknowledged and accepted by North Essex for inclusion in the programme.

8.3 Bromeswell Rally 2016 - AD reports that the current marshals have decided to stand down. The rally is provisionally booked for the club for the first week in July. AD requests new volunteer marshals and rally's, possibly for the May and August Bank Holidays.

- 8.4 AD reported one entry for the front cover of the rally book.
- 8.5 PF announced they will be giving up the Pig Roast Rally after 26 years. The New Year Rally is to be cancelled due to low numbers.

## **9.0 Publicity**

- 9.1 DS is looking for new advertisers for next year but still has one outstanding.
- 9.2 DS attended a Dealer Day at Stowmarket and spoke to a number of Caravan Club members who were not aware of the rally centres and feel that the CC fails to promote Rally Centres. this was confirmed by MS. JK will take comments to the Regional Committee.

## **10.0 Equipment Sales**

- 10.1 PF apologised for the time it has taken to get additional supplies of equipment. There have been problems with passwords. It is now time to reorder. The pink and blue sells well and PF would like feedback as to popularity of other lines.

## **11.0 Equipment Officer**

- 11.1 JG - urns have been distributed to Rally Marshals. TS has produced a list of equipment available to marshals.

## **12.0 Sports Officer**

- 12.1 CS would like to use the centre News Letter and Website to promote Suffolk Centre attendance at the National Rally next year.

## **13.0 Webmaster**

- 13.1 TS has completed the usual updates and reports. The photo competition for Rally Book front cover to be promoted on website and Facebook.

## **14.0 Newsletter**

- 14.1 The e-newsletter to be sent out next week will promote front cover competition and the need for new marshals.

## **15.0 Junior Crew Liaison Officer**

- 15.1 MS reports the tuck shop is going well and will need restocking and the Junior Crew are really looking forward to their Wissington Rally.

## **16.0 Regional Meeting**

- 16.1 The next meeting is in August.

## **17.0 Any Other Business**

- 17.1 TS requests a Vice Chair Committee Sign.

**19.0 Date of Next Meeting -**  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm

Meeting Closed at 9-35pm