

THE CARAVAN CLUB
SUFFOLK CENTRE

Minutes of the Committee Meeting
Held on 8th June at Hintlesham

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PRESENT

Chairman	Derrick Stammers
Vice Chairman	Derek Pannell David Totman
Secretary	Anthea Southgate
Treasurer	Janet Dobson
Members	Margaret Calvesbert Janet Hazell Brian Southgate Denis Mattocks Sheena McCartney Rosanna Waterson Bob Waterson Chris Sanderson Trevor Smith

1. APOLOGIES were received from Colin Clarke.
2. SIGNING OF THE MINUTES proposed by David Totman, seconded by Margaret Calvesbert, the minutes were duly signed.
3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
The forum was to be held on 17th September at Five Lakes Hotel near Witham.
Janet said that there was £534 in the childrens xmas party fund.
- 4, FINANCE Janet reported
 - £601.17p in the charity account
 - we have £1600 of equipment stock
 - Rally accounts as up to date, 4 have run as a loss, Saxted Mill £2.92, Kesgrave £60.37, Newbourne £11.20. Weeley 16p.
 - A discussion on VAT followed.
5. EQUIPMENT Margaret reported
 - Hintlesham £8.75 Wroxham £58.55.
 - Margaret is looking for new boxes for Equipment.
6. RALLY EQUIPMENT Brian reported he had a telephone call from Terry to say that 2 fire extinguishers had gone off, luckily inside their bags. Suggested chairman of the rally check to make sure tags had not come off the extinguishers.

- Electric boilers have been serviced and Have certificates
- is it possible to look at gas boilers to mark on and off.
- a discussion followed on how good a small P.A. system that had been borrowed for use at the National. This has been very small and very portable, after discussion it was agreed that we should purchase one at a cost of about £270, everyone was in agreement. Proposed by Anthea seconded by Bob.

7. RALLY PROGRAMME David reported

- 38 rallies in for 2006
- Invitation to Northumberland received
- Received tenancy agreement for Pitton
- 4B's received for Dennington 33 vans
- burns night rally has been cancelled
- 1,500 rally, discussions followed on costings, ideas for entertainment, it was decided Triple Cream were too expensive, David will look at other options, suggestions needed David will co-ordinate this.
- Janet said her German rally was 50/50 whether it would run or not.
- Discussion on Brighlingsea rally followed it falls the same weekend as our 1,500 rally.
- Clacton Easter rally 2006, Janet had contacted the site to clarify conditions. It was decided to pay the deposit and ask for the deposit when members booked and also the full amount to be payable prior to the rally.

8. MEMBERSHIP Anthea

- card sent to Frank Truscott, who is waiting for an operation.
- Brian Garrod has been visited
- Vicky Williams up and about after operation
- Mick King to have operation on July 12th
- partner of John Maslem Alma has died condolences have been sent.
- Membership up by 12 to 1,030 many of these new members still have not rallied, perhaps we can try and encourage them in some way, Chris might lend a hand on this.
- We average 24 ralliers out each weekend at the moment
- Dick Button will be attending his 500th rally in a few weeks, Terry and Derrick already reaching their 500th. We decided to ask them what gift they would like to a tune of £50. to honour this special achievement plus an engraved plaque for presentation. Proposed by Anthea seconded by David everyone agreed.

9. NEWSLETTER Denis reports

- newsletter was produced for national, can
- we put this on the website, so that people can take copies themselves, to cut down on printing. Trevor offered to print copies of the next edition, a small donation needed

JUNIOR LIASON. The children did well at the National, they will hopefully assist Denis at Mistley rally. trying to get juniors mixing together.

10. SPORTS OFFICER Bob reports

- we had teams in every event at National and we did well in most events, 7th overall in tug of war, 4th in lawn darts. Derek Pannell will look after tug of war rope. Quiz team did well. Congratulations go to everyone who entered from Chairman a very good effort. Hopefully we will do well at 5 centres rally.

11. NATIONAL Sheena reports

- Everything went well at the National
- The gypsy caravan went well, we didn't win but a very good effort well done
- We need a Suffolk Centre banner 6 x 3 with handles with Suffolk horseshoe, Janet H. will approach Janet King
- Perhaps someone could write a full report of the National.
- Discussion on Centre Liason officers followed.

12. PUBLICITY Chris reports

- some people are contributing to 'cool comments' from Chris
- idea of articles in newsletter re new vans and changing vans.
- T. K. Garnham can he become a link sponser on website. Those currently advertising are in rally book, £50 for ½ page and £100 for a full page. Sheena is going to be doing advertising for the rally book next year
- 24/25 Sept Homestead new model preview weekend, special discounts apply.

13. CHARITY Derrick did his walk successfully.

14. WEBMASTER Trevor gave his report. Lots of positive feedback.

15. REGIONAL MEETING no meeting this month

16. CORREONDENCE none

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS National horse needs a good home.

18. Janet told the meeting that Mick King had saved a babies life by stopping a runaway pushchair in the road at Haughley rally. A brave act. Thanks to Mick.

Meeting Closed at 10.25.

Next Meeting July 7th

Signed by the Chairman.

Derrick Stammers