

**THE CARAVAN CLUB – SUFFOLK CENTRE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HINTLESAHM**  
**WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> October 2008.**

**Present**

Chairman	Derek Pannell
Vice Chair	Brian Southgate
Vice Chair/ Webmaster	Trevor Smith
Secretary	Tracy Totman
Rally Secretary	Nigel Berry
Rally Equipment	Daren Fitch
Equipment Sales	Gary Maples
Registration Secretary	Sheena McCartney
Publicity	Rosanna Waterson
Sports Officer	Christopher Stammers
Junior Crewe	Denis Mattocks
Newsletter	Alan Green
Newsletter Assistant	Colin Goddard

**1.0 Apologies for Absence**

1.1 Janet Dobson

**ACTION**

**2.0 Previous Minutes**

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**3.0 Matters Arising**

3.1 Amendments to previous minutes as follows

4.1 Change Williams to Williamson

8.2 Should have stated competiton on going as required more entries.

14.1 TS requested David Totman to thank the Committee for their help

18.1 Should have read the number of rallies organised by marshals

11.1 Should read Garrard not Garrod.

**4.0 Chairman's Report**

4.1 Nothing to report.

**5.0 Vice Chair Report**

5.1 BS attended Whitehouse Beach Rally, There was no trophy presented. The best fish was won by John Preston (Suffolk) Ladies winner was Diane Preston (Suffolk) and junior winner was Megan Preston. There were more Suffolk Vans attended than Norfolk.

**6.0 Treasurers Report.**

6.1 Report read by DP as JD not in attendance. There is £14378 in account but there are some large bills outstanding.

6.2 Chairman's Charity fund ended the year at £1014 which is to be equally divided between the Air Ambulance and the Special Care Baby unit at Ipswich Hospital both will receive £507. David Totman to arrange presentation of the cheques.

6.3 Equipment taken from Margaret Calvesbert and final stock check to be undertaken

6.4 Unable to close Thorpeness Accounts as unable to contact Marshals re queries.

6.5 New marshals for Thorpeness 2009 requesting Deposit.

6.6 TS suggested that the £10 fine for non-attendance at rallies be increased but committee decided against.

6.7 JD requested that admin fee is raised but committee decided that in the economic climate and with the centres healthy bank balance it would remain the same this year.

## **7.0 Secretary Report.**

7.1 Current membership stands at 1134 members

7.2 Correspondence from Regional Committee requesting that the centre only puts on one rally against the 5 centre rally in 2009

7.3 New committee badges had arrived so distributed to those who had not received one at the AGM.

## **8.0 Rally Secretary Report.**

8.1 Rally Book ready for proof reading and then to printers by the end of November

8.2 Waiting for lists from other centres re their rallies in our area.

8.3 Awaiting conformation of who is running The Five Centres, and the Rally at Abbey wood in conjunction with House of Commons Dinner.

8.4 Have received 4 B's from Norfolk, North Essex and Mid Anglia.

8.5 Awaiting information re Pig Roast and Debenham Country Music festival rallies.

8.6 DP asked committee if there were any concerns about two rallies at Crowfield only 5 weeks apart. No objections.

## **9.0 Equipment Sales.**

9.1 GM hoping to collect equipment next week.

9.2 Discussion around changing chemical fluid. GM to investigate prices.

GM

9.3 TS suggested that we include Fire Buckets in equipment. Following discussion it was decided that they would be too bulky to carry around and they can be brought very cheaply at DIY centre.

## **10 Rally Equipment**

10.1 Has already collected half the equipment from BS to collect rest next week.

10.2 Has looked at the paper work

10.3 Has concerns about paying for fire extinguishers and urns to be serviced. Agreed that JD to provide cheque up front or invoice to be sent to JD to be paid.

10.4 New direction signs required BS to organise

BS

10.5 The new Caravan Club flags that have to be flown at each rally are to be purchased when we have more details from the Caravan Club.

## **11.0 Sports Officer**

11.1 No report

## **12.0 Registration Secretary**

12.1 No Report

## **13.0 Publicity**

13.1 Have 12 adverts for rally book only two of which are half pages.

13.2 Mid November is the last date for the adverts.

## **14.0 Junior Crew**

14.1 Christmas party numbers are 32 boys and 16 girls.

14.2 Val Mattocks requesting cheques for presents.

14.3 Junior Crew passports due in now for presentation of plaques at Natter and Chatter.

## **15.0 Newsletter**

15.1 AG requesting copies of Newsletters to work from. TS said he would help.

## **16.0 Webmaster**

16.1 Has already updated the website with new committees photographs.

**17.0 Regional Meeting report.**

17.1 There had been no meeting

17.2 DP and BS to be centre representatives.

**18.0 AOB**

18.1 CS enquired as to whether the centre was being involved in the FICC in 2009 which is being held in Ipswich, It is a Camping and Caravan Club event and the Caravan Club are not taking bookings. BS, AG and CG said they would be attending the event.

18.2 CG raised the issue around verbal abuse from members on the telephone. The situation arose from a member who failed to attend a rally. The committee discussed the issue and it was decided that JD was to produce a list of non-attendees to rallies at each meeting so it could be a committee decision about fines.

18.3 SM suggested that the Registration Secretary starts a defaulters list.

18.4 Winner of front Cover for Rally Book chosen.

**19.0 Date of next meeting.**

19<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 9p.m.

