

CARAVAN CLUB SUFFOLK CENTRE

Minutes of meeting 3rd September 08

Present:

Chairman	David Totman
Vice-Chairman	Derek Pannell
Treasurer	Janet Dobson
Secretary	Sheena McCartney
Committee	Denis Mattocks
	Rosanna Waterson
	Colin Goddard
	Trevor Smith
	Nigel Berry
	Brian Southgate
	Chris Stammers
	Margaret Calvesbert
	Gary Maples
	Alan Green

1.0 Apologies for absence

None

2.0 Signing of previous minutes

2.0 Proposed MC Seconded RW

3.0 Matters arising

3.0 AG asked about re-imburement of TV damaged at Disney Rally. DT stated that the damage was minimal and he would not be pursuing any repair.

4.0 Chairman's report

4.0 DT had attended the funerals of Alex Knight & Ralph Fellingham

4.1 DT had presented Ed & Jan Cuff with the Suffolk Punch celebrating their 500th rally

4.2 DT requested that the following should be mentioned at forthcoming rallies:

- 5 mph on rally fields**
- Dogs to be kept on leads**
- No toilet emptying at drinking water taps**

4.3 DT reported about the fire of Colin and Janet's caravan at the Thorpeness Rally. This was discussed in more detail in AOB

5.0 Vice-chairman's report

No report

6.0 Treasurers report

- 6.0 Bank account £13214. Charities account £814.**
- 6.1 JD proposed a rise in admin fee to £1.50 plus Vat. A brief discussion followed with no decision being made at this time.**
- 6.2 Plaques ordered for larger rallies will attract a £5 postage fee due to the extra weight.**
- 6.3 JD brought up about surplus's of rally costings. SM stated that there should not be any surpluses, but JD went on to explain that if there were any monies left over from a rally's admin fee and the cost of plaques it should be passed to the treasurer for banking, which then becomes part of the Centre's income Receipts should be sent in for any sundries bought for a rally.**
- 6.4 JD thanked MC for the years equipment sales. This was endorsed by the committee**

7.0 Secretary's report

7.0 Membership stands at 1171 with 4 transfers

7.1 The following correspondence was presented:

- Performing rights**
- Change of rule 16**
- Information of 2009 National**
- Highways Agency – Fit to Tow DVD**
- Incident Report for Thorpeness Fire**

7.2 The following nominations were received for officers and committee to be presented at AGM:

Chairperson	Brian Southgate
Vice -Chair	Trevor Smith
	Denis Mattocks
	Derek Pannell
Treasurer	Janet Dobson
Secretary	Tracy Totman
	Alan Green (withdrawn)
Committee	Colin Goddard
	Trevor Smith
	Chris Stammers
	Rosanna Waterson
	Sheena McCartney
	Alan Green
	Denis Mattocks
	Nigel Berry
	D Fitch

8.0 Rally Secretary's report

8.1 NB presented a list of 2009 proposed rallies. Confirmation was still awaited for some rallies.

9.0 Equipment sales

9.1 MC thanked everyone who assisted with sales throughout the year with particular thanks to BS.

9.2 To assist with the stocktake MS requested that all items should either be returned or a list sent to her.

10.0 Rally Equipment

10.1 Extinguishers need to be refilled which were used at Thorpeness.

10.2 There is a shortage of Rally directional signs

10.3 Thanks were passed on to BS for his stewardship of the equipment.

11.0 Sports officer

11.1 CS would like his thanks recorded for the assistance of John Taylor, Ian Button & Mick Prentice at the 5 centres rally.

12.0 Publicity Officer

12.1 RW reported that she had received 4 confirmations of advertisers for the new rally book. AG stated he would approach a dealer who had shown some interest.

13.0 Webmaster

13.1 TS stated that he had received fewer rally reports this year

13.2 Discussion following the alteration of a report.

14.0 Newsletter

14.1 Next edition will be ready for the AGM, waiting for Chairman's Lines.

15.0 Junior Liaison

15.1 Good attendance at Pig Roast

15.2 Christmas Party filling slowly. Received bookings so far 18 Vans, (36 adults & 25 children).

16.0 Regional Meeting Report

16.1 Meeting not until 27th September. DT will send his apologies as he is unable to attend.

17.0 AOB

17.1 No photographs have been received for rally book front cover competition.

17.2 Brass plaques ordered for chairperson and MC as they will

be leaving the committee.

- 17.3** The following items were discussed arising from the caravan fire at Thorpeness:
- 20ft rule between caravans
 - to encourage members not to remove batteries in smoke alarms
 - recommend that members have a fire bucket positioned at caravan 'A' frame
 - Rescind decision not to supply fire extinguishers at smaller rallies. (now to be supplied at all rallies)
 - To encourage members not to route gas into caravans via the barbeque point.
- 17.4** Discussion about the leaking of a confidential email announcing a cancelled rally
- 17.5** Discussion about where 1st rallies should be sited
- 18.0** Date of next meeting
19.30 hrs on 1st October 08

Meeting closed at 21.10 hrs