

**THE CARAVAN AND MOTORHOME CLUB
SUFFOLK CENTRE
REPORT FOR JANUARY 2021
Finalised - 14th January 2021**

It was agreed by Committee to produce a brief report for January 2021 as there were issues to be discussed re finance on rallies and to also keep members fully updated

Participating were:

Chairman & Regional Rep.	Garry Pyett
Vice Chairman & Webmaster	Julian Fincham-Jacques
Treasurer	Paul Wade
Secretary & Attendance	Janet Dobson
Rally Secretary & Advertising	Alan Dobson
Centre Equipment	Ron King
Competitions/Junior/National	Chris Stammers
Publicity	Melody Gosling
Newsletter & Regional Rep.	Peter Wilson
Committee	Mark Terry

1. Apologies for Absence - Not applicable

2. Corrections to Previous Report - Nothing noted.

3. Signing of December Report: The committee were unable to meet face to face as hoped for so emailed report drawn up. After committee were consulted, they have been taken as accepted by Garry Pyett and can be published on the website.

4. Matters Arising - Melody asked if we were any further forward in finding storage for the Centre equipment. Nothing found as yet but still to be looked at. With current lockdown and travel restrictions, visiting any premises is out of the question at present.

5. Chairman's Report - Garry sent in the following: "whilst we are in a grip of another unknown period of national lockdown, there is little to report apart from emails from the club, which Janet will place in the Secretary section. The Club have sent out a revised guidance & rules copy to print out, and read through, and I suggest that other points that the committee need to discuss can be done at a later date when we have a clearer idea of the state of play when rallies re-commence, rest assured we are still working away in the background. Stay Safe"

6. Vice Chairman's Report - Nothing noted.

7. Other Rally Reports - Not applicable

8. Treasurers Report -

Funds – end of December

Bank Account	7433.83
Rally Deposits Held	(7210.00)
VAT QTD	(18.37)

Charity Fund	(131.75)
True Balance	73.71
Caravan Club	3,000.00
Cash with Treasurer	18.44
Total	3092.15

Fund Balances

Junior Crew £513.40

Special Fund £814.59

Charity Fund – Income: - None

Rally Accounts Gain or loss: - None

In light of the information heard from Region at their last meeting, Paul Wade has contacted Finance at the Club re amounts and dates of payment of any Centre Grant. A response has been received giving the banding details relevant to a couple of years ago. No clarification on whether the 2021 grant is being reduced.

9. Secretary Report

9.1. Membership - Janet reported that as at Friday 1st January 2021 the following figures apply. Membership is 1,352. Members from November renewal that went void totalled 9. Members to still renew for December 2020 are 101. Following emails to the majority of December renewals it was picked up that some had not received their renewal letters and cards. Queries show they were posted mid-December, possible lost in post scenario. A fair few have come back to say they will be renewing so books sent to them.

9.2. Correspondence as received:

a. Email from Club 21st December 2020 - Following announcements over restrictions any rallies planned to take place up to New Year are now to be cancelled. Rallies do not fall in the reason for necessary travel. A review is due 30th December.

b. Email from Club 5th January 2021 - Following announcement from Government all rallies and events are cancelled for the foreseeable future. The Clubs website states that Club Sites, CLs and Affiliated Sites will close to 21st February and be reviewed in line with Government guidance. Janet wanted it noted that it is hoped that Centres aren't on the back burner with the Club yet again.

c. Email from Club 12th January 2021 - The weekly and 5 weekly reports from the Club have been a bit hit and miss over the months, which is to be expected, but message from Club now responding to many messages from Centres about non-arrival in Box. This is now being followed up to find out why.

9.3. Other -

a. Rally Books - The bulk of the books have been either emailed or posted. Those not replying to emails over choice of book, but have renewed, have been sent an email with an option for a posted one. Those for December renewal who have responded/known have been sent their choice. Rest will remain pending until renewal received as we need to monitor postage and use of the books we have ordered. Copies have been emailed to all other Centre and Anglia Region Committee.

Books from other Centres are coming through - all PDF at present - and many have stated they are smaller than usual and/or they have now gone totally digital and just referred to visiting their website.

b. Committee Meetings for 2021. To confirm meetings booked for: Wednesdays 10th February, 10th March, 14th April, 12th May, 9th June, 14th July, 8th September, 6th October (this is a week earlier to give a bigger gap between meeting and AGM), 10th November and 8th December. All remain at 7.30 p.m. start. **UPDATE: Following the recent instructions from the Club the meeting for 10th February has been cancelled, to revert to emailed collection for the minutes.**

10. Rally Secretary Report

10.1. 2021 Handbook and Printers - All handbooks ordered were collected just prior to Christmas. Alan said he had passed our thanks to them.

10.4. Adverts - All invoices, and where possible copies of books, posted just prior to Christmas. Excel spreadsheet with full details passed to Paul Wade, Treasurer. The business title of KM Leisure Supplies is incorrect on page 48 (written as KLM Services) and will be updated on the website. All adverts have been passed to Julian to go into the Advertisers Section.

10.5. 2022 Programme - Date list is available - early January/February rallies now in. The end May Bank Holiday is not listed for 2022 with the holiday being used over the period of 2nd to 5th June to cover the Queens Jubilee. Unknown if the Club will hold a National event in 2022.

11. **Publicity** - No report.

12. **Rally Equipment** - Ron reported that the centre equipment is safely under lock and key and ready to go when we start rallies again.

13. **Sports and National Liaison** - No report.

14. **Webmaster** - Julian reported that details of all the rallies in 2021 have been uploaded to the website.

15. **Newsletter** - No report.

16. **Junior Liaison** - No report.

17. **Regional Meeting** - Garry reported that a Zoom committee meeting was held following the revised AGM on 15th November 2020, with all Centre Chairmen and some reps being involved. Some parts of the minutes that may be relevant to committee were:

- a. **Treasurer's Report: CAMC Grant has been reduced and is now £2,200. Centre Grants have all been reduced by 50%. Perhaps Centres should check on this. Region to challenge CAMC on these reductions. (Should this be looked into by our Treasurer?)**
- b. **Regional Next Meeting:** To be held by Zoom on January 10th 2021 at 11.00am.

18. **Any Other Business** -

Janet wanted it noted to thank all members that have responded to emails over their membership and books and the nice messages passed on in thanks to her and the committee for keeping the Centre going. It is a hard time for all our members and we all live in the hope of meeting up again in the spring and summer.

Janet wanted to raise the question of handbooks in the future. Should the committee start to look seriously along the lines of not producing an actual printed book as before but perhaps look at providing something similar just in PDF, to go on the website. To

look at producing a small leaflet style with just the basic details, list of rallies, AGM announcement that could either be emailed or printed and posted **only** to those members who do not provide any email address. Looking at numbers printing would be possible within our means. Advertisers could be told and offered the chance to advertise in the PDF copy, at a much-reduced fee, to keep our association with them. Alternatively, or as well, to offer the website advertising. Janet said she could do a final breakdown of those who asked to remain with a book, and those who had to have one due to no email addresses.

Date of next meeting - Following recent further restrictions the February face-to-face meeting is cancelled. Will carry on with emailed reports. Hopefully March may be possible.

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