

**THE CARAVAN AND MOTORHOME CLUB - SUFFOLK CENTRE
COMMITTEE REPORT
MEETING DUE AT HINTLESHAM 13TH APRIL 2022**

Due to fuel situation, it was agreed at the last minute not to hold a face-to-face meeting for April but to put together a report for April instead. Several committee involved in organising rallies and some away around Bank Holiday weeks.

Committee:

Chairman & Regional Rep (1).	Ron King
Treasurer	Paul Wade
Secretary & Attendance	Janet Dobson
Vice-Chairman/Webmaster	Julian Fincham-Jacques
Rally Secretary	Alan Dobson
Regional Representative (2)	Chris Stammers
Publicity	Melody Gosling
Newsletter	Graham Gosling
Competitions	Alison Stammers
Juniors	Sarah Aldis
Equipment	Tina King
Sports	Karl Moles

1. **Apologies for Absence** - Not applicable.
2. **Corrections to Previous Report** - None reported.
3. **Signing of March minutes:** If agreed these to be signed by Ron King and filed.
4. **Matters Arising (other than Committee get-together).** - Nothing noted.

5. Chairman's Report -

Things have been a bit quiet this last month for Suffolk Centre with no rallies in March. At the beginning of April Denise and myself attended a rally organised by Mid Anglia Centre at Fowlmere, Cambridgeshire in conjunction with 'Question Time' at IWM Duxford organised by Anglia Region CAMC.

Part of the 'Question Time' day allowed those that attended to browse around the museum. Starting with the Easter rally being run at Trinity Showground, Ipswich gets our programme up and running and in general rallies are almost every weekend.

I will be at Peewit rally and then heading to Scotland to attend the Scottish Caravan Club National Rally at Aboyne Castle, Royal Deeside at the beginning of May. While in Scotland we'll do some touring and then back south for 'Club fest' at Belvoir Castle, Leicestershire at the end of May.

We will be back on the Suffolk rally scene in June starting with a week's stay at Bromeswell. a lovely location set beside a garden nursery.

5a. Committee Get-Together Report. - UPDATE

- Sports Officer
- Treasurer and Secretary - cover and hand overs.
- On-line booking for rallies - see under Item 15 Webmaster.

These items will be held over to the May meeting.

6. **Vice Chairman's Report** - Julian reported: Nothing to report for March, reports on rallies attended in April will be provided in May whilst Ron is on holiday.

7. **Other Rally Reports** - None to note.

8. **Treasurers Report** - Paul provided following account figures:

BANK ACCOUNT	15,222.45
RALLY DEPOSITS HELD	-9,260.00
VAT	-26.05
CHARITY FUND	-963.00

TRUE BALANCE 4,973.40

DEPOSITED WITH CAMC	3,000.00
CASH WITH TREASURER	20.54

TOTAL 7,993.94

FUND BALANCES

JUNIOR CREW 513.40

SPECIAL FUND 814.59

9. Secretary Report -

9.1. **Membership** - Janet reported that Friday 1st April membership was 1,518 and February members that went void were 65. Members with March renewals to renew is 93. Those going void were in the main 2021 members, followed by 2020 with a few older ones.

9.2. Correspondence as received:

a. **Email from Club 1st April 22** - Club is releasing more spaces on the ClubFest on Tuesday 5th April. Email to Centres first - Janet wondered if the Club had realised that a lot of Centre members would have missed out in booking a space.

b. **Email from Greg Potter 3rd April 22** - Questionnaire by Club to Regions/Divisions and Centres raising questions for Centres to answer to go forward to a Review Group. Passed round for any committee comments, Janet to complete and return.

9.4. **Attendance** - Some outstanding.

10. **Rally Secretary Report** - Nothing further on Suffolk rallies for 2023. Still to follow up with hall about any Rally Marshal Rally.

11. Publicity - From Melody: There is a requirement to search through back copies of Newsletters for more relevant photographs to feature in the updated leaflet. Having found a selection will need to obtain authorisation from those featured to use in the centre leaflet. Amendments to text of leaflet is 'number of rallies held each year by the centre' also, the number of current centres of the club, due to recent amalgamations, hibernations, and centres no longer in existence. Once copy is ready will need to obtain quotation for printing, once I have committee approval I will liaise with Alan

12. Rally Equipment - Nothing reported.

13. Competitions - Nothing reported.

14. Junior Liaison - Nothing reported

15. Webmaster - Julian reported: I have made contact with website designers who will put together further details of how the online booking would work. Also, hopefully, the issue of excessive charges implemented by Hostings for the services they provide us for the Domain names and email system, have now been resolved and we will not be incurring an extra £25 on each invoice that we receive from them. When people are looking at the website, if they notice anything out of date that I may have missed, could they please drop me a message and let me know. Also please spread this same message between our members if they comment that they have noticed something that has been missed.

16. Newsletter - Nothing reported

17. Sports - Nothing reported

18. Regional Meeting - Ron sent in following report: An Anglia Region meeting took place at Fowlmere village hall, 3rd April 2022, chaired by John Kent, Regional Chairman.

Apologies was given by Chris Stammers for not being able to attend the meeting.

The Chairman informed those attending the meeting that Region had been reprimanded on moving their AGM to a later date and been told they have to go back to the original format.

As of 2023 the Region AGM is to take place in early October, then followed by centre AGM meetings.

He then went onto say that as a region we put a joint piece about Anglia Region Centres into the welcome pack at Club Fest at the beginning of June, as 80% of people have never been on a "national "before, hoping new members might come forward.

Jame Lamb, North Essex Centre said he would design and print a flyer for the goody bag.

Melody has forwarded our contribution for the inclusion into the flyer. Thank you, Melody.

Greg Potter, Executive Committee and Anglia regional representative, said he would be putting a questionnaire to centre committees to debate and the centre secretary to send back the findings to him.

In June the club hope to introduce a new app for booking on sites, including Certified Locations and Centre Rallies.

In general all the centres are struggling with attracting rally marshals and people to serve on committees. Most rallies are low on numbers. Also, the name of RALLY was discussed as to some other name that could be used as thought it sounds out dated.

19. Any Other Business - Nothing reported.

Date of next meeting -

Next meeting booked Wednesday 18th May at Hintlesham starting at 7.30 p.m. This is a week later than originally booked.

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