

MORRIS MINOR OWNERS CLUB

DORSET BRANCH

2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

2 October 2019 20:15

Apologies: Marcus and Sparky Ward, Val and Peter Webb.

Minutes of Last Meeting. These had been distributed at the meeting and were accepted as accurate, (Prop. Terry Wood, Sec. Theresa Moxley)

Secretary's Report

As we enter our 40th anniversary year we look back at a very busy 2019. The first event of the year was the Mistletoe Meander which was a very popular and successful event again. This years dinner and dance was held in Bentleys Restaurant at The Dudsbury Golf Club and was a very enjoyable evening with excellent food and service. It was so good that we immediately booked again for 2020. After the very disappointing support for the Barn Dance we had to cancel it at the last minute meaning that we lost the deposit which we had paid for the hall. Phil arranged a trip round Dukes in April and the Drive It Day Run on Sunday 28th April went to Haynes Motor Museum. The same weekend also saw a coach trip to the Jukebox and Retro Fair at Brighton Racecourse. Beaulieu Moggyfest was another roaring success which has now become a firm part of the MMOC calendar. Rogers display this year marked the 25th anniversary of the Beaulieu Spring Autojumble with a recreation of the front cover of the first ever programme. Thanks must go to Chris Slade for allowing us to use his Traveller for the weekend and to cover it will all manner of high quality merchandise! A new event for us this year was The Bradford Abbas Festival of Wheels on Saturday 8th June. We had about 10 cars on the club stand for this brilliant day which we hope to take part in again next year. Other events this year have included the Wimborne St Giles Fete, the Lymington Show, the Broadstone Family Fun Day amongst many others. The Dorset Branch Rally at Wolvercroft Garden Centre in Alderholt went very well with in excess of 50 vehicles in attendance for this laid back day out. We have already booked again for next year and hopefully will have an even bigger turnout than this year.

We have a good variety of clubnights throughout the year including various speakers, quizzes, Phils Antiques Roadshow, Eddies Gardening Competition, and a brilliant night out at The Beach House in Barton On Sea.

Looking ahead to next year, 2020 marks the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Dorset Branch by Graham Melly back in 1980. We have many events in the planning stage for next year starting with the Mistletoe Meander and the Dinner and Dance. Moggyfest at Beaulieu will be celebrating our 40th anniversary. The Dorset Branch rally will take place at Wolvercroft again. We are also looking at various venues to finish road runs at.

We have had a couple of "retirements" from club activities so thanks to Lyn on catering and Dave and Jacky on regalia for their efforts over the years. I would also like to thank Roger for stepping in and taking over as newsletter editor and I'm sure you'll all agree with me that he is doing a fantastic job so far. We have had a change of management here at the SEB Club which seems to be going OK so far with them supplying the sandwiches for both clubnights and the forthcoming Mistletoe Meander. They only supply the sandwiches though, not the cake and the bread pudding! So, finally, as we enter our 40th year we can look forward to another busy year of events and clubnight activities.

Treasurers Report

Good evening everyone and I hope you all have a copy of the summary accounts with your newsletters.

There has been no major expenditure by the Branch this year and the account reflects a late payment to us by the National MMOC of £1,000.00 towards Beaulieu 2018. This didn't arrive until November – so it has been included in this year's figures. We were unable to claim for financial help with Beaulieu this year as we made a surplus of £872.03 from the event so we did not qualify. The spares, this year, made a surplus of £2,998.62, regalia - a surplus of £144.98 and the rally at Wolvercroft made £60.00.

We lost an £80.00 deposit on the room hire for the Barn Dance that did not go ahead in February as it was undersubscribed. The Blind Auction made £305.00 and we have had £80.00 donations throughout the year towards the charity. So the Committee have decided to give £600.00 to the Lupus Charity (Logres Trust) which will be presented at November Clubnight with a talk from their representative. National MMOC member's rebate was £145.00 this year, so keep signing the blue folder please. John and Andy have painted the Branch shed that Dave and Jackie kindly let us keep at their home. The paint cost £4.50, labour was free.

I have copies of the detailed accounts if anyone would like to see them.

Thank you all for listening. Are there any questions? The accounts were then accepted (prop. Sue Blewer, sec Lyn Gerry)

Chairman's Report

The Chairman began by saying that he didn't have much to add to the other committee member's reports except to praise the hard work put in by the committee members. He said that he felt that this must be the best MMOC branch in the UK. He also thanked the other members who contribute to the smooth running of the club: Brian and Pauline Ford for the membership duties and magazine issue, Raffle ladies, Chris Tilly and Margaret Pateman. Although the venue now supplies the clubnight sandwiches, we are grateful to Lyn Gerry and Sue Blewer for continuing to supply cakes for clubnight. He welcomed new members Wayne and Trish. He then thanked, the Committee, the helpers, and all the members for their support.

Committee Elections

It was agreed that the usual practice of accepting the revised Committee with a single vote would be acceptable.

The new Committee Nominations were as follows:

Chairman – John Jenkinson Secretary – Laurie Blewer Treasurer – Jacky Wood
Events/H & S – Andy Dibb Spares – Brian Wood Membership – Brian Ford
Welfare Officer – Eddie Pateman

Elections carried 'en-bloc' on a show of hands.

Any Other Business:

No other items raised. The meeting was closed at 20:30

Signed



Laurie Blewer – MMOC Dorset Branch Secretary