



ANWCC Minutes of Meeting
held 14th November 2023
via Zoom



Apologies for Absence:

John Coe and Susan Coe (Blackpool and Fylde Land Rover Club), Martin Blackburn (Manx MSMA), Claire Kirkpatrick and Sofia Macbeth (MSUK), Steve Kenyon (GPMC), David Rainsbury (MGCC(NW)), Maurice Ellison (Press Officer/Clitheroe DMC), Jim Spencer (Treasurer/BRCA), Paul Kelly (CSMA) and Graeme Forrester (Wigton MC).

Present (via Zoom) were:

Gail Millward-Jackson (MSUK Committee Member), Michael Ashcroft (Aintree CC), Gareth Roberts (BBMC), Jon Cordery (BRMC), Peter Dale (Clwyd Vale MC), Roger Hopkins (Knutsford DMC), Richard Murtha (Lancashire Automobile Club), Chris Winstanley (Longton DMC), Paul Goodman (MG Car Club (NW)), Martin Jelley (Preston and District Vintage Car Club), David Gregory (Quinton MC), Roy Bell (ANEMMC), Melanie Morgan and Stephen Johnson (U17MC(NW)), Alan Bibby (Wigan DMC), Neville Simmons (Team JJ), Barry Wilkinson (Pendle DMC), Chris Brown (Lindholme MSC), Jerry Lucas (Wallasey MC) and Ann McCormack (Warrington DMC).

Officials present were:

Allan Dean-Lewis (President), Mark Wilkinson (Chairman/Stockport 061/Motor Sport (North West)/2300 Club), John Harden (Vice-Chairman and Liverpool MC), Dave V Thomas (Championships Co-Ordinator, North Wales CC), Katy Mashiter (Training and KLMC/Morecambe CC) and Tracey Smith (Secretary/Accrington MSC).

2023.50 - Welcome

Mark Wilkinson welcomed delegates to the meeting. Tracey Smith thanked Katy Mashiter for arranging the Zoom meeting.

2023.51 - Minutes of Previous Meeting

Correction to list of actions (bullet number). Minute 2023.50 – *Written Reports (Championships)* should read 2023.46 – *Written Reports (Championships)*.

The minutes were proposed by Katy Mashiter and seconded by Eric Cowcill.

Actions from the previous meeting:

2023.46 – *Written Reports (Championships) Suggestions for a fairer scoring system for the Speed Championship to Dave Thomas.* Changes have been incorporated into the Championship rules.

2023.46 – *Written Reports (Championships) Comments on proposed ANWCC regulation changes to Dave Thomas.* None received.

2023.46 – *Written Reports (Championships) Comments on ANWCC website improvements to Dave Thomas.* None received.

2023.52 - Matters Arising

Club Safeguarding Officer (CSO)-MSUK now require clubs to appoint a CSO. Some clubs reported difficulty recruiting to this role. It was agreed that ANWCC will not create a Regional CSO and that clubs should recruit from their membership. Training for CSO's will be provided by MSUK in 2024 however there is a desperate shortage of trainers and that is not the fault of ANWCC.

Regional Associations Club Engagement – 1 survey response received.

2023.53 - Motorsport UK Reports

No minutes received. Code of conduct requires delegates not to disseminate full minutes, however due to a breach of confidentiality, meeting minutes are currently not provided to delegates, however Motorsport UK are aiming to reinstate this.

2023.54 - Council & Board (Met 31 October)

New focus and remit of Regional Associations. Associations are encouraged to attend other association meetings to share information and best practice.

There has been a decline in driving standards, BTCC have implemented a code of conduct which has improved driving standards. Dr Trafford gave an overview of medical cover for events and the difficulties for new Doctors. Update on the future strategy for rally- Stage Rally Safety Requirements (SRSR) version 6 came in to force on 1 November.

2023.55 - Regional Council (Met 24 October)

28,000 clubman licenses issued for 2023 an increase of 10% on last year. Licence breakdown by gender: 78% male/22% female.

IDR trial for dynamic liding of rally seats has started. Gareth Roberts reported that he had a device fitted but the scrutineer was not aware of the trial. Mark to ask MSUK to add to scrutineer's bulletin.

MSUK TV nominated for 2 awards. Clubs are asked to put forward ideas for MSUK TV content.

2024 Digital transformation to improve website.

Carbon calculator tool-41 clubs have signed up.

Safeguarding 366 clubs have CSO. 58 safeguarding concerns were investigated.

There are currently 68 staff employed by MSUK.

Club development funding is available. Has funded club websites, storage, taster days and events. Clubs should contact Sofia Macbeth for guidance and application forms.

Gareth Roberts asked about new rules for tyres. No information has been received.

2023.56 - Rallies Committee

No report received.

Consultation-comments have been submitted as part of the recent consultation. An update from MSUK is expected in due course.

2023.57 - Autotest Committee

No report received.

2023.58 - Women in Motorsport

Mark welcomed Gail Millward-Jackson to the meeting. Gail introduced herself and outlined how she got involved in motorsport with her young family as a member of U17MC(NW). Volunteering has provided so many opportunities to get involved in motorsport as a non-competing member. Gail met Helen Bashford-Malkie at an event in Lymm and subsequently joined the Women in Motorsport Committee. Focussing on Girls on Track initiative, promoting girls at every level with the objective of increasing female participation in motorsport, especially at grassroots level. Targeting participation from a diverse low/socio-economic background utilising resources at the Manchester college. Promoting StreetCar events at Manchester college and at Wern Ddu with Warrington and District Motor Club. MSUK TV also seeking to increase female viewing audience. Seeking ideas on how the ANWCC can promote female participation.

MSUK aim to increase the number of female licence holders to 26% across all disciplines.

Each committee member is promoting an area of motorsport-Laura Coolidge and Laura Christmas are behind the 'Better Together' initiative. Mark played [their promotional video](#) to delegates.

2023.59 - Route Liaison Officer

No report received.

2023.60 - Military Liaison Officer

Keith Wain has stood down from the role as this role is no longer relevant to our Region .

2023.61 President's Report.

Mark welcomed Allan Dean-Lewis to the meeting. Allan thanked ANWCC officers for their work and congratulated Gail Millward-Jackson on her efforts.

New working title for the British Motorsport Training Trust (BMSTT) is now the British Motorsport Trust (BMT). The change reflects the diverse role of the charity. New website has had a few teething problems. Applications for 2024 training grants have been acknowledged by Sue Fletcher at MSUK. 30 applications for the Safety Fund have been received-the awards panel meet next Monday.

Details of how to apply for BMT grants on offer are available [on the website](#).

Former ANWCC Chairman, Bob Milloy, has left a generous bequest to the BMT.

2023.62 - Secretary's Report

a.) Correspondence

Minutes received from Association of South Western Motor Clubs and Association of North East Midland Motor Clubs.

Correspondence-proposed MSUK speed regulation changes have been circulated to all delegates for consultation.

b.) New Member Clubs

Applications to join ANWCC received from Preston & District Vintage Car Club and Cheshire Landrover Club. Martin Jelley from Preston and District Vintage Car Club introduced the club.

No objections received. Membership accepted subject to payment of registration fees.

c.) LARA

Government is slow to respond to consultations that has resulted in a significant backlog of motoring issues.

Eric Cowcill reported that Bamford Clough has been resurfaced but restrictions remain. Petition by Green Lanes Alliance to restrict use of off-road tracks to all traffic.

2023.63 - Treasurer's Report

ANWCC have paid their Information Commissioners Officers fee.

69 clubs have paid their annual registration fee. Dave Thomas thanked clubs for early payment.

2023.64 - Championships

Dave Thomas provided an update on the status of the 2023 championships.

Awards night provisionally scheduled for Saturday 4th February 2024.

2024 calendar is updated regularly. Clubs are asked to submit their event dates as soon as possible via the online form. 2024 Championship permits have been applied for but not received. Note that for 2024 the SD34 Challenges have been incorporated into the ANWCC Championships. This does not affect the running of the ANWCC Championships in any way, other than reference in our regulations.

The 2024 championship registration form has been available online for a week and to date there have been 10 registrations, this includes 2 newcomers.

Club Officials – registration form is available online for clubs to advise us of their current officials. Dave Thomas thanked the 47 clubs that have responded so far. All clubs are asked to complete the form to ensure we have the most up to date information.

Marshals Monthly Prize Draw-the winners were:

- August – Maurice Ellison (Clitheroe & DMC)
- September - Alec Harrison (Bala & DMC and Caernarvonshire & Anglesey MC)
- October - Paul Jones (Barcud MC)

Dave Thomas asked for willing volunteers to take on the 2024 championship work.

2023.65 - Press

Nothing to report.

2023.66 - Training

Katy Mashiter reported that the British Motorsport Trust have awarded a 2024 marshal training budget to ANWCC. As in 2023 it is felt rather than putting on one day using the facilities of a hotel, which will use up all the budget at once, using Motor Club facilities is a better way of both training people and using the budget.

Training can be arranged at an evening club night or a practical session probably on a weekend day. Member clubs should contact Katy Mashiter with their training needs.

Steve Johnson has funding for an introduction to event set-up training day.

2023.67 - Any Other Business

Bob Milloy left a generous bequest to ANWCC. Mark Wilkinson to write a letter of thanks to the family. Nominations are now open for the Bob Milloy trophy.

Andrea Richards has left MSUK.

Longton & District Motor Club have been actively promoting sprint event entries for junior competitors and asked clubs how they attract juniors to rally. Rally events run a separate class for juniors and this could be considered for sprints. Gail Millward-Jackson suggested that taster events under the StreetCar umbrella may attract younger competitors. John Harden stated that sprint and hillclimb events do not qualify for StreetCar.

Warrington and District Motor Club have signed up to the StreetCar charter and ran successful events at Wern Ddu in June and October.

John Harden asked how many clubs have changed their club rules to comply with MSUK registration? It is not sufficient to refer to MSUK rules; MSUK now require clubs to incorporate policies into their club rules. It was agreed that the administrative burden placed on clubs by MSUK is unfair and unreasonable. Delegates asked ANWCC to refer the matter to MSUK and remind MSUK that clubs are run by unpaid volunteers.

ANWCC has updated the association logo. Tracey Smith to circulate the new logo for clubs to use.

Paul Goodman asked if Inter-Association events were to be reinstated. Mark Wilkinson confirmed that there are no plans to resume these in the near future.

Jim Spencer reported the fact that because grass roots motorsport activities are not formally recognised as a sport, this has effectively derailed some of the planned activities for the diversity and inclusion programmes. Letters have been sent to the Minister for Sport. This has the potential to become very damaging for the sport as a whole if this matter is not taken more seriously MSUK. Jim suggested that this matter needed to be formally raised with Sport England to protect the long-term future of motorsport and the sports reputation.

2023.68 - 2024 meeting dates and AGM

- 13 February 2024 - General Meeting and AGM
- 14 May 2024
- 13 August 2024
- 12 November 2024

Venue to be confirmed.

John Harden is actively seeking a new meeting venue on behalf of the association. Mark thanked John for his help with this.

2023.69 - Meeting ended at 21.38 hours.

Post meeting addendum: **2023.67 - Any Other Business**

Roger Hopkins reported that Knutsford DMC hosted the Ian Harwood Quiz on 13 November 2023. The event was very successful, attracting 10 teams of 4 from various NW clubs. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves; there was a lot of humour from the team members, the sandwiches also went down very well at half time plus of course drinks from the bar. Knutsford DMC "A" Team won (again). Chairman/Quizmaster (Mike Lawson) suggested that as Stockport 061 were hosts in 2022 & Knutsford DMC in 2023 maybe one of the other clubs would like to volunteer to organise the 2024 event.

The following actions are summarised from the meeting minutes:

Minute	Action	
2023.55 - Regional Council	Clubs to suggest ideas for MSUK TV content.	All
2023.58 - Women in Motorsport	Clubs to send ideas about how ANWCC can promote female participation to Gail Millward-Jackson.	All
2023.64 - Championships	All clubs to complete the 2024 online registration form	All
2023.64 - Championships	Volunteers needed to assist Dave Thomas in his role as Championships Coordinator	All
2023.66 - Training	Clubs to contact Katy Mashiter with their 2024 training requirements.	All
2023.67 - Any Other Business	Raise concerns about the increasing administrative burden placed on clubs by MSUK.	Mark Wilkinson
2023.67 - Any Other Business	Circulate new association logo to all member clubs.	Tracey Smith
2023.67 - Any Other Business	Discuss the importance of recognising grassroots motorsport with MSUK and ask MSUK to escalate this to Sport England.	Mark Wilkinson
2023.67 - Any Other Business	Volunteer club needed to run 2024 Ian Harwood Quiz.	All