



ANWCC Minutes of Meeting
held 13th February 2024
Mere and Tabley Community Club,
Warrington Rd, Mere, Knutsford
WA16 0TD



Apologies for Absence:

Dave V Thomas (Championships Co-Ordinator, North Wales CC), John Coe (Blackpool and Fylde Land Rover Club), Martin Blackburn (Manx MSMA), Richard Murtha (Lancashire Automobile Club), Jenny Coxon (ASWMC), Roy Bell (ANEMMC), Kevin Page (WSSCC), Jon Cordery (BRMC), Barry Wilkinson (PDMC), Huw Gwyn-Jones (C&A), Helen and Martin Fox, Allan Dean-Lewis, Russ Henstock and Roger Hopkins (Knutsford DMC), David Rainsbury (MGCC (NW)), Michael Ashcroft (Aintree CC), Ann McCormack (Warrington DMC) and Jonathan Armishaw (AMRO).

Present were:

Gareth Roberts and Steve Southall (Broughton and Bretton CC), David Gregory (Quinton MC/Knutsford DMC), Chris Winstanley (Longton DMC), James Webster (Buccaneer), Eric Cowcill (PaN), Sue and Terry Bateman (SuperKarting-UK), Jerry Lucas (Wallasey MC), Paul Goodman (MGCC (NW)) and John Buckley (Glossop DCC).

Officials present were:

Mark Wilkinson (Chairman/Stockport 061/Motor Sport (North West)/2300 Club), Jim Spencer (Treasurer/BRCA and Hagley), John Harden (Vice-Chairman and Liverpool MC), Katy Mashiter (Training and KLMC/Morecambe CC), Tracey Smith (Secretary/Accrington MSC) and Maurice Ellison (Press Officer/Clitheroe DMC).

2024.01 - Welcome

Mark Wilkinson welcomed delegates to the meeting. Mark thanked John Harden for arranging a new meeting venue on behalf of the association.

2024.02 - Minutes of Previous Meeting

Correction to minute 2023.55 should read *Marshal licence breakdown by gender: 78% male/22% female.*

The minutes were proposed by Jerry Lucas and seconded by Katy Mashiter.

Actions from the previous meeting:

2023.55 (Regional Council) *Clubs to suggest ideas for MSUK TV content.* No update.

2023.58 (Women in Motorsport) *Clubs to send ideas about how ANWCC can promote female participation to Gail Millward-Jackson.* No update.

2023.64 (Championships) *All clubs to complete the 2024 online registration form.* Ongoing. Tracey Smith thanked clubs for submitting their updated club information.

2023.64 (Championships) *Volunteers needed to assist Dave Thomas in his role as Championships Coordinator.* Ongoing.

2023.66 (Training) *Clubs to contact Katy Mashiter with their 2024 training requirements.* Ongoing.

2023.67 (Any Other Business) *Mark Wilkinson to raise concerns about the increasing administrative burden placed on clubs by MSUK.* Ongoing (committee not yet met).

2023.67 (Any Other Business) *Circulate new association logo to all member clubs.* Done.

2023.67 (Any Other Business) *Mark Wilkinson to discuss the importance of recognising grassroots motorsport with MSUK and ask MSUK to escalate this to Sport England.* Ongoing (committee not yet met).

2023.67 (Any Other Business) *Volunteer club needed to run 2024 Ian Harwood Quiz.* Mark thanked Wallasey for volunteering for this.

2024.03 - Matters Arising

MSUK documentation-delegates expressed dissatisfaction at the inaccurate documentation being issued by MSUK recently and stated the issue with the revised officials signing-on form had caused much distress and confusion. Mark Wilkinson stated that MSUK had apologised and that Regional Associations were actively seeking to avoid this from escalating further. Mark agreed to raise delegate's concerns at the next Regional Committee meeting.

Club Safeguarding Officer (CSO)-NW training will be held at Haydock Holiday Inn on Saturday 30th March. It is now mandatory for clubs to nominate a CSO for their events. The role of the CSO is to be aware of and record incidents-MSUK will deal with all reports. Delegates expressed concern that a 24-hour contact number should be provided by MSUK. Mark agreed to raise this with MSUK.

2024.04 - Motorsport UK Reports

None received (no meetings held since previous delegates meeting).

2024.05 - Route Liaison Officer

No report received.

2024.06 - Secretary's Report

a.) Correspondence

Tracey Smith attended the ANEMMC AGM and delegates meeting on 31 January as a guest.

Minutes received from AEMC AGM and Delegates meetings held 7th November 2023.

De Lacy Motor Club has invited all ANWCC clubs to the Taurus Road Rally on 20th/21st April 2024.

MSUK Club News included an update for Clubs from the Sporting & Safety Team relating to reporting property damage, conflict of interest, signing-off Steward reports, guidance on stage rally tyre limits, targa's and kart regulation U7.5. 2024 Officials and Marshals signing on declaration has been updated.

MSUK Club at the Heart webinar-[recording available on the website.](#)

Marshals appeal received from Malcom Wilson Rally and North West Stages.

Tracey Smith has joined BRMC Committee as a member.

b.) New Member Clubs

Applications to join ANWCC were received from Northern Phoenix Trials Car Club and Superkarting UK. Sue and Terry Bateman attended from Superkarting UK and presented an overview of their club. Increasing per capita fee costs are a real pressure for karting event organisers with fees doubling in recent years.

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

c.) LARA

Eric Cowcill reported that changes in Government and cuts to budgets mean that responses to consultations are slow and that has resulted in a significant backlog of motoring issues.

Pothole Partnership launched in January between road user organisations and the road repairs industry to help tackle the scourge of potholes and press the case for more effective and permanent road repairs.

The Green Lane Association has won a court case which will compel Wrexham County Borough Council to restore the surface of an unclassified county road in northeast Wales for all recreational users.

2024.07 - Treasurer's Report

Accounts were presented at the AGM immediately preceding the delegates general meeting.

2024.08 - Championships

Dave Thomas sent a written report reminding event organisers to inform him when events are going live. 210 registered contenders, which is 16% up on the same date last year. The recent JJ Brown Road Rally created an ANWCC record – no less than 72 championship contenders started the event. 2 road rallies (JJ Brown and John Robson), 1 forest rally (Riponian) and 1 PCA (Wern Ddu) held to date.

Dave stated that he is due to have an operation and will have limited access to emails and Facebook. The website will not be updated for about a week after next Sunday. Organisers can publicise their events via our Facebook page, especially the ANWCC Chatter page. Mark and Dave can approve your application to register.

Marshals Monthly Prize Draw-the winners were:

- November - David Mitchell (Liverpool MC)
- December - Will Hughes (Caernarvonshire & Anglesey MC)
- January - Peredur Davies (Caernarvonshire & Anglesey MC)

Dave Thomas asked for willing volunteers to help with 2024 championship work and suggested a number of people could take each Championship with an overall co-ordinator. Liverpool MC has offered to help with the Speed Championship.

Delegates sent their very best wishes to Dave for a full and speedy recovery.

2024.09 - Press

Maurice reported problems with restrictions on the size of email attachments meant that he could no longer distribute Spotlight magazine to all delegates via email. The BT email server is particularly restrictive. Maurice also reported that the circulation list for Spotlight is now 15,000.

Maurice announced that he would be standing down at the end of this year and repeated his request for a volunteer to take over the role of Press Officer.

2024.10 - Training

Katy Mashiter reported that using motor club facilities for training is a good way to support clubs and address local training needs. Training can be arranged at an evening club night or a practical session probably at a weekend. Member clubs should contact Katy Mashiter with their training requirements.

Terry Bateman stated that he is a licensed trainer.

2024.11 - Any Other Business

John Harden appealed for marshals to help with the Generations Rally stage at Oulton Park on Friday 22 March.

David Gregory asked what clubs were doing towards carbon capture and achieving sustainable club status. Discussion followed around the lack of infrastructure to charge electric vehicles and the safety implications of charging at events. No progress has been made by MSUK on a sustainable tyre disposal route. Clubs are required to submit a sustainability statement for each event they organise and are finding it difficult to identify meaningful, local projects to support. In regards to their sustainability obligations, clubs would rather support local offsetting projects in the UK rather than abroad, but there is no mechanism to make this happen. MSUK are proactively campaigning for an alternative to electrification of vehicles and has so far been unsuccessful in lobbying government to change its policy. Delegates agreed there was a need for sustainable alternatives to fossil fuels and that electric vehicles was not the answer. It was agreed that sustainability would be included as a standing agenda item for future meetings.

2024.12 - Date of next meeting

Tuesday 14 May 2024 from 8pm at Mere and Tabley Community Club, Warrington Rd, Mere, Knutsford WA16 0TD.

2024.13 - Meeting ended at 21:35 hours.

The following actions are summarised from the meeting minutes:

Minute	Action	
2023.67 - Any Other Business	Raise concerns about the increasing administrative burden placed on clubs by MSUK.	Mark Wilkinson
2023.67 - Any Other Business	Raise the importance of recognising grassroots motorsport with MSUK and ask MSUK to escalate this to Sport England.	Mark Wilkinson
2024.03 - Matters Arising	Raise concerns about the poor quality of documentation provided by MSUK.	Mark Wilkinson
2024.03 - Matters Arising	Ask MSUK to provide a 24-hour contact number to support Club Safeguarding Officers.	Mark Wilkinson
2024.08 - Championships	Volunteers needed to assist Dave Thomas in his role as Championships Coordinator.	All
2024.09 - Press	Volunteer needed to take over the role of Press Officer.	All
2024.10 - Training	Clubs to contact Katy Mashiter with their 2024 training requirements.	All
2024.11 - Any Other Business	Add sustainability as a standing agenda item for future meetings.	Tracey Smith