

Minutes of the 74th Annual General Meeting of the Morgan Three Wheeler Club Ltd at Woodland Grange Hotel, Leamington Spa on Sunday 29th September 2019 at 10.30 am

Present :- 79 Members, including Treasurer, Secretary, both Directors, Company Secretary, and a number of Club Officers.

1. Appointment of Chairman of the meeting.

The meeting was opened by Andrew Messent as Secretary, who proposed that Charles Smith, who has been acting as Interim Chairman since the November CCM, should be appointed as Chairman of the meeting pending the appointment of officers later in the meeting. Seconded by Many Pachol and unanimously agreed.

2. The Chair welcomed all members, and thanked Paul and Jane Jowitt for doing such a fantastic job arranging the weekend.

A silence was held in memory of those members who have died during the last year, namely :- Gerald Lawford, Bob and Wendy Clements, Bill and Rosemary Wallbank, Brian Fell, Bob and Audrey Haynes, Ian Naseby, Denis Plater, Gwen Worth, Bill Higginson, Richard Morris, Bill Wilson.

3. **Apologies notified to the Secretary :-** Nev Lear, Bob Angell, Gordon Naisby, John Atkins, John Evans, Colin Harris, Chas and Lasley Reynolds, Tony Pearson.

4. **Minutes of 2018 AGM.** Copies of minutes had been distributed. The minutes were approved and signed – *Proposed* Steve Lister, *seconded* Steve Hughes, *carried* with 5 abstentions.

5. **Matters arising from minutes - Gerald Carr F4.** Charles Smith reported that a substantial amount of work had been carried out by Ian Parkinson, who hoped to have it finished in time for the anniversary next year, and that discussions are taking place regarding the future use of the car. Following a discussion, it was *proposed* by Dave Anscombe as follows:

The Gerald CarrF4 shall be made available for loan to members, preferably under 30 years of age, for a period of one year. This is to be reviewed each year and the loan renewed if requested unless another applicant comes forward.

Seconded Sam Savage. *Carried* with one abstention. The Club's thanks to Ian Parkinson for all the work he has done on the car is to be recorded in the minutes.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer introduced her report, which had been distributed. There was a discussion regarding methods of payment and the associated charges.

Sending of annual accounts. Dave Anscombe introduced his paper, which had been circulated, regarding the way in which the annual accounts are circulated to members. Concerns had arisen in particular from the fact that the Group Reports had been omitted from the September Bulletin in order to enable the accounts to be included. Following a discussion, the Chairman sought an indication from the meeting as to its preferences. There was a clear majority in support of the view that only a summary of the accounts should appear in the Bulletin. A clear majority of the meeting

also indicated its view that the issue should be resolved by the Committee, and by means of an EGM as part of a CCM rather than deferring the issue until the next AGM.

7. Adoption of accounts for the year ending 31 March 2019

The accounts were approved.

Proposed Eric Bayley, *seconded* Colin Wilson, *carried* by unanimous vote. The Chairman thanked the Treasurer for having done such a good job.

8. Appointment of Independent Examiner for 2019-2020

It was noted that Boyds had acted for the Club for many years without increasing their fee, and it was agreed that Boyds should be re-appointed.

Proposed Charles Smith, *seconded* Dave Anscombe, *carried* by unanimous vote.

9. Subscription rates for the year 2019/2020

The Chairman noted that the subscription rates were increased last year, and that as reported by the Treasurer, the Club's financial position remained healthy. Accordingly, the Committee proposed that the rate should remain unchanged for the coming year.

Proposed Mandy Pachol, *seconded* Val Hughes, *carried* by unanimous vote.

10. Chairman's report

The Chairman highlighted points from his report, which had been distributed. He noted that although he would like to continue as Chairman, he was still also acting as Mogspares Coordinator, so if he is to continue as Chairman, a new Mogspares Coordinator is needed. He thanked Steve Lister, who is stepping down as Registrar after 16 years, Mike Guess who is stepping down as Director having filled various roles for the Club over a period of 60 years, and Bruce Campbell who was stepping down from his role as Overseas Liaison Officer.

11. Secretary's report

The secretary highlighted points from his report, which had been distributed.

12. Other Club Officers' reports

Reports from the following club officers had been distributed :- Mogspares Co-Ordinator; Librarian; Membership Secretary; Competition Secretary; Three Speeder Technical Adviser.

Steve Hughes requested that the Club minute its thanks to Maria Parkinson, who had had a particularly difficult year as Membership Secretary with the new GDPR requirements.

Charles Smith drew attention to significant points in the Mogspares report, particularly the fact that the team has been strengthened with the addition of Eric Atkinson, Steve Hughes, Ian Haynes, Ian Hughes and Richard Bowman. However, a coordinator is still needed.

Steve Lister explained that he had deliberately not put in a Registrar's Report because he was stepping down and he wanted to record his thanks to various people. He first noted that he is only stepping down as Registrar. The administration of the sporting trophies is being taken over by the sporting group but an administrator is needed for the AGM trophies. He recorded his thanks to the informal inspection team who have carried out inspections on his behalf in different parts of the

country, Ron and Pete Clements, Tony Quinn and Steve Hughes, and to others who had provided much assistance to him: Jake Alderson, Pete Thompson and Chris Booth.

The Chairman thanked Steve for his 16 years as Registrar.

13. Election of President, Vice Presidents, Club Officers, Directors

The list of nominees for all posts had been distributed. The following points were discussed:

Chairman: no-one else indicated a willingness to stand. Charles Smith confirmed he was prepared to stand as Chairman.

The position of website officer remains vacant.

Registrar: Stephen Clark has indicated his willingness to stand. There were no other nominations.

Competition Secretary: it was noted that this position does have to be the subject of appointment by the AGM.

Archivist: Jake Alderson has suggested that his role should be dropped. It was agreed that the role should be continued for the time being, and Steve Lister would speak with Jake regarding the role.

UPER Manager: there has been progress. Roger Harrison has indicated that he is prepared to do the clerical side; Sam Savage on the South Coast has indicated that he may be able to become involved, as has Eric Atkinson in Wales. However, someone is needed more central to the country, who is able to store the parts. It may then be possible to put a team together.

Overseas Liaison: Maria Parkinson has offered to take over the role .

A vote was then taken on all the positions as listed with the exception of the Directors, and the list was *approved* unanimously.

So far as the Directors are concerned, Mike Guess had indicated his intention to step down. The Chairman explained that traditionally the Chairman has been a Director, and he was willing to stand as such. His appointment as Director was *proposed* by Dave Anscombe, *seconded* by Mike Guess and *passed* unanimously.

The Chairman then reported that he had spoken to Stephen Clark who had indicated his willingness to stand as a third Director. His appointment as a Director was *proposed* by the Chairman, *seconded* by Grahame Joseph and *passed* unanimously.

14. Elections – Committee and Directors

The list of nominees had been distributed and was *passed* unanimously as listed.

15. Election of David Browne as Fellow Member.

Steve Hughes introduced this proposal. After having done the job for 27 years, David was still there at the Spares Fair the day before, despite having stepped down from the role last year. Over the years, he has provided much help to the Lancs and Lakes Group in particular. He has spent hundreds of hours every year, collecting parts and meticulously recording the details. Steve had therefore taken this proposal to the Committee, which had agreed with the proposal, since which time it had been notified to members on 3 occasions in the Bulletin.

Proposed Steve Hughes *seconded* Richard Woodcock *passed* with 6 abstentions.

The Chairman welcomed David as a Fellow Member of the Club.

16. 75th Anniversary Events

The following were discussed:

Opening Run: The Chairman reported that the details remained to be finalised, but it was currently proposed that this would take place at the Pitstone Museum, near Leighton Buzzard on 5th April 2020 .

Night Trial/NTNT: Steve Lister reported that he was delighted and surprised that about a dozen people had indicated their interest in taking part following his note in the Bulletin, and most had favoured a full night trial. The date is yet to be confirmed, but it would probably be in May 2020 and would take place in Derbyshire.

AGM Weekend: The Chairman reported that this would be at the Abbey Hotel in Malvern on 19th/20th September 2020. There was some discussion regarding the merits of the Abbey Hotel as a venue for the Club's AGM's. However, it was noted that we are already committed for 2020. This issue could be revisited thereafter.

Isle Of Man Event: this had been organised by Ian and Maria Parkinson and is to take place in May 2020.

Training/Sprint Weekend: Tony Pearson is planning to extend the sprint event to include a training event. It was noted that Tony has encountered problems with the proposed dates. This would be addressed by the CCM.

The Chairman thanked Gary and Barbara Caroline for their efforts arranging the Spares Fair.

17. Award of Trophies Concours winners were announced and trophies and Group Enthusiasts awards were presented by Steve Lister and Chris Towner. Steve Lister thanked Chris Towner for his involvement over the years: he has been a great supporter of the Club.

18. Any other matters of interest

Gary Caroline informed the meeting that Sue Derbyshire and Ewan Cameron had come third overall and won their class at Spa the previous day.

Alf Gapper raised the possibility of advertising the Club via the 5 Speeder agents. It seems that at the moment purchasers are directed only towards the MSCC. The Chairman said he would look into the possibilities.

Alf Gapper also raised the question of Pete Thompson's out of pocket expenses in providing copies of drawing to those who request them. Pete indicated that he was content to cover the expense.

Pat Davy suggested that the Club should revive the practice of toasting the Queen, the Ladies and the Club at the AGM dinner.

19. Date of 75th AGM – 20 September 2020 at the Abbey Hotel, Malvern.

Signed _____ Chairman

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