



# ASSOCIATION OF WEST MIDLANDS MOTOR CLUBS

## MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD AT BROMSGROVE GOLF CENTRE

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025

### **Present:**

Kevin Witton (Chair & Treasurer)  
John Jones (Vice Chair)  
Ian Jarrett (Training Officer)  
Maurice Leach (RLO)  
Paul Clackett  
David Williams

John Arnold (President)  
David Simons (Secretary & MLO)

### **Delegates from the following clubs:**

BTRDA, MGCC, Kidderminster CC, VSCC, W&SSCC, S & WMC, LCMC, BRMC, Boundless by CSMA, Quinton MC, MGCC, WMPMC, Sixty & Worcs Rugby MC and one Delegate on Zoom.

### **1. Apologies**

Loughborough MC, Mike Wilding, Cathy Denyer, Mark Hoppe, BRSCC(M)

### **2. Minutes of the Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Proposed: Matt Walk

Seconded: Ethan Harris

### **3. Matters Arising**

John Arnold tabled a correction under the "Any Other Business" heading: Cathy Denyer was referring to two events on the same day, not a two days requirement as minuted.

No other matters were raised.

### **4. Correspondence**

Various items of correspondence have been received since the last Meeting, including, but not limited to:

- Minutes from meetings of other Associations (and Cotswold Group);
- Various Regulation changes proposed for consultation;
- Clerks & Stewards Bulletins;
- Scrutineers Bulletins;
- Information from LARA on arrangements for events;
- Motorsport UK Licencing – Further information on new on-line platform;
- Motorsport UK NCR implementation and updates;
- Motorsport UK Club News

### **5. New Clubs / Official Changes / Date Changes**

New Clubs: Applications had been received from: One-Litre F3 Historic Racing Association; Lea Francis Owners Club and Oxford Universities Motorsport Foundation Motor Club.

A precis of the activities of each club was presented at the meeting and all three clubs were approved for membership of the Association by those present at the meeting.

Official Changes: Blackbird Auto Club have changed officials and some member clubs' details are incomplete. Member Clubs are advised to make their own amendments on the Association website.



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Date Changes: None advised. Clubs to update the website as necessary

## 6. Championship Reports

### 6.1 Stage Rally (Heart of England Championship)

Matt Walk reported as follows:

The 2024 season had a total of 93 registrations, with 88 scoring points throughout the season. It was a good season with 20-25% entries on all events and a brilliant awards evening was held two weeks prior to this meeting. Some awards remain to be posted out.

Entries for the 2025 season are well underway, with 76 registrations so far against a target of low 80's. Sponsorship is in place for the awards, funds from two sponsors awaited.

There will be cash prizes and a free entry for one competitor to the Hills Ford Stages as part of a prize draw.

### 6.2 Car Trial

Prior to the meeting, Mark Hoppe sent a detailed report as follows:

"We have a 2025 championship, which has been granted a permit by MSUK and entries are now open to register.

The first event is on April 13th at Falcon MC – so registrations are slow and I will be upping the promotion in the coming weeks.

Bristol Pegasus have been non existent in their replies – so I am feeling the event will not surface in 2025 (after 2-3 years of washed out events)

I have managed to get Stroud on the roster for both AWMCMC and ASWMC in 2025 – so hope we can turn out in suitable quantity to make it worthwhile.

The 2024 Champion was Kevin Roberts – who will receive his award when Kevin W and I can align for collection. I would try to present at Falcon on April 13th."

The 2025 calendar is as follows: 13/3/25 Falcon MC; 18/5/25 Ross & District; 25/5/25 Owen MC; 25/5/25 Bristol Pegasus; 22/6/25 Ross & District; 3/8/25 Bala MC; 11/8/25 Stroud & DMC; 7/9/25 WSSCC; 27/9/25 Bala MC; 12/10/25 Falcon MC; 19/10/25 Ross & District BTRDA Final

## 7. Training Officer's Report

Ian Jarrett reported as follows:

Face to face & practical training is being held at Builth Wells on 29 March 2025. The online sessions with BMMC are to continue to cover all rally modules for training and upgrading.

Practical fire training is planned for later in the year, possibly at Shelsley Walsh in October 2025.

## 8. MoD Liaison Officer's Report

David S reported as follows:

A Motorsport UK zoom meeting is planned for early April 2025 for all MLO's.

At the request of WSSCC and with assistance from Major Sean Caine, two army training venues were approached as potential venues for motorsport events. Both responded negatively, which was disappointing in the case of Swynnerton, which is understood to have hosted motorsport events in the past. However, the information provided by the army remains available and Major Caine seems keen to help wherever possible.

Hopefully links with other army commands and other services will be made available soon.

## 9. Motorsport UK Committees and Groups

### Regional Committee:

John A reported on recent developments, confirming that the next Regional meeting will be on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025. Other items of news were highlighted:

- Supplementary Regulations and Permits for events are now on Sport 80;
- Oxford MC will be running a round of the Motorsport UK Street Car Eco Rally Championship on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025;
- WSSCC's Introduction to motorsport event went well. Sixty & Worcs looking to hold a similar event soon;
- LARA reported on proposed Traffic Regulation Orders in Herefordshire, involving prohibitions of vehicles on certain lanes and byways – details are available from [admin@laragb.org](mailto:admin@laragb.org) ;
- FBHVC is carrying out an on-line survey of historic vehicles;
- Motorsport UK is carrying out a survey of venues.

### Rallies Committee:

Kevin W reported on a meeting held in the week prior to this meeting, mentioning in particular, discussions on:

- Tyres (ongoing);
- Sport 80;
- NCR's (content similar to the recent seminars);
- Refuelling;
- Road Rally Working Group, which has been re-convened;
- Motorsport UK TV – Rallying provides the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest audience

### Clerks & Stewards Working Group

David S reported:

As noted in the AGM report, it appears that this working group has been either disbanded or placed on hold.

This is disappointing, as I had a training initiative that I had spent quite a lot of time working on, which no longer has a forum for discussion or progress.



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## 10. Treasurer's Report

Kevin W reported:

We have had a number of payments from Sponsors for the Heart of England Championship.  
The sponsors outstanding are: Jamtech Motorsport and John Goff - RallyMe

The following clubs are yet to pay their 2025 Subscriptions as at the date of this meeting:

BARC (Midlands)  
Epynt Motor Club Ltd  
Forest of Dean Motor Club  
Redditch and District Car Club  
Silverstone Motor Club  
Southsea Motor Club  
Streetly Motor Club  
Stroud District  
The Midland Speed Club

Money in the bank is as follows as at 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025:-Cheque Account £100; Premium Account £19,667.18

## 11. Any Other Business

David S reported that he had attended, with representatives of member clubs, a meeting held at BOC Prescott about a planned Motorsport Festival event on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025. This will involve autosolo/autotest and trial events, in addition to the regular hill climb. AWMCC is invited to host a car clubs marquee.

Paul Price asked if clubs generally had a Competition Secretary. The consensus was that most clubs had an individual performing that role, but not necessarily under that title. He also suggested that the Association could have a WhatsApp group to share information and news.

Maurice Leach (RLO) reminded all that there were 4 weeks left to deal with permits in the traditional way until Sport 80 is fully operational.

Adrian Tucker-Peake asked about the risk of event documentation being overtaken by NCR updates, but it was felt that this should not be a problem provided people keep an eye on the updates and Motorsport UK's accompanying notes on what has changed.

Ethan Harris has been appointed to the Motorsport UK Young Officials Committee

Mike Broad confirmed that Streetcar championship winners will go to the Night of Champions for their awards.



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Kevin W confirmed that in future, it was the intention for the now enlarged Committee to hold their own separate meetings in addition to these Association meetings.

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The next Association meeting will be at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

The meeting will be held at Bromsgrove Golf and Conference Centre B60 1LD