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**MINUTES OF THE 2023/4 AGM
OF
THE ASSOCIATION OF EASTERN MOTOR CLUBS
26th November 2024
Held virtually through a Zoom call
The meeting commenced at 20.00**

Attendance

Members

30 were present representing 25 clubs as follows

Stanley Graham	Chairman / Wickford AC
Chris Musselle	Treasurer / CCC
Mark Banham	Kings Lynn and DMC
Chris Barningham	BRSCC East Anglia
Simone Birch	ALRC/Leics. Rutland. Land Rover Club
John Boot	West Suffolk MC
Jeremy Carr	Suffolk Land Rover Owners Club
Steve Casey	Middlesex County Automobile Club / Training
Dave Clark	Weald MC
Laura Cooledge	Eastern Counties Motor Club
Rob Cook	Green Belt MC
John Davie	Green Belt MC
Rob Davies	Mogfriends
Kevin Dyras	Midland Off Road Club
Matt Endean	CMC / MSUK Committees
Phil Foster	Lincoln Motor Cycle and Car Club
Clive Grounds	Cambridge CC
Chris Gwilliam	RSR Motorsport Safety
Tony Hewitt (part)	Kings Lynn MC
Liz Jordan	Maidstone and Mid Kent MC / ASEMC
Stuart Kingham	Wickford AC / Safeguarding
Tony Michael	Web / Comp Sec / CMC
Stephen Laing	Borough 19
Ian Marshall	Santa Pod Racers Club
Dan Pearson	Anglia Motor Sport Club
Clive Taylor	Naylor Car Club
Pete Walters	Speed Championship/ HCAAC
Mark Wagstaff	Eastwood and District MC
Dave Whyman	Sutton and Cheam MC
Brian Hemmings	Secretary / Anglia MSC

Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies

Mike Biss Boundless CSMA, Paul Barrett CMC Rally Chshp., Brian Millen Blackpalfrey MC, Chris Deal Greenbelt MC, Andrew Bisping ASCSMC, Kevin Peake ALRC.

Approval of the Minutes of the 2022/3 AGM

Acceptance of the minutes of the 2022/3 AGM was proposed by Cambridge Car Club (Chris Musselle) and seconded by Herts County Auto and Aero (Pete Walters) This was unanimously agreed by the meeting and the minutes were therefore accepted.

Chairman's Report on the previous year

The chairman commented that the year had been successful with a mixture of successes, challenges and opportunities.

Especially worth noting is the increase in member clubs to a current 56. This is excellent news and has also brought with it the real challenge of embracing a wider range of activities and disciplines (notably cross country, drag racing and karting). The need to support member clubs appropriately is the challenge, while steps have been made, this remains an area for focus.

The two principal championships were completed successfully, and additional venues are being sort and progressively developed.

AEMC branded clothing, provided through an online shop, was was launched during the year as part of an initiative to develop the image and increase awareness of the association.

There have also been personnel changes with Steve Casey progressively taking over the training role from Clive through the year and with Stuart Kingham in the position of Association Safeguarding Officer, recognising the importance of this topic.

Changes announced by Motorsport UK recently are being experienced by all clubs and members. Specifically, the launch of the Sport 80 system as the basis of a digital information platform for the sport. The chair stated that any club or member of a club who is experiencing difficulties in this area to get in contact and help will be supplied. The launch of the NCR to modernise/replace the "blue book" may result in a "bedding In period" in which all are asked to contribute and engage.

Treasurer's Report

Accounts for 2023 had been circulated prior to the meeting along with a commentary. The treasurer highlighted that the results showed a small surplus. This had been partly a result of the increase agreed at the last AGM to support increasing costs to provide training activity. The additional training is being developed but hasn't yet significantly impacted cash flow.

Championships are self-financing although the cost of the awards event is borne separately by the association.

There being no detailed questions the accounts were proposed and unanimously agreed Proposed Maidstone and Mid Kent (Liz Jordan) Seconded Wickford (Stuart Kingham).

Election of Officials for 2023/24

Thanks were expressed by all to Stanley Graham for his contribution to the growth and success of the association under his chairmanship.

A nomination had been received from Kings Lynn MC for Tony Hewitt to become Association Chair.

As Tony has been Vice Chair this would leave a vacancy in the Vice Chair role which had not been pre notified to clubs.

Matt Endean indicated that he would be willing to stand as vice chair if the meeting accepted a late nomination because of the circumstances. The meeting agreed unanimously with this approach.

All other officials indicated they were willing to stand again.

As there was one candidate for each post the meeting agreed that a single election for all posts be held. This was agreed proposed HCAAC (Pete Walters) seconded AMSC (Dan Pearson) and all candidates were elected unanimously.

Officials for 2024/2025 are therefore

Chair	Tony Hewitt
Vice Chair	Matt Endean
Secretary	Brian Hemmings
Treasurer	Chris Musselle
Competition Secretary	Tony Michael
Rally Championship Administrator	Paul Barrett assisted by Stanley Graham
Speed Championship Administrator	Pete Walters
Safeguarding Officer	Stuart Kingham

Confirmation of Subscription rate for 2025

The treasurer recommended that following the increase in 2024 to support the forecast in training costs there would be no requirement to change the registration fee for 2025.

This was unanimously accepted by the meeting.

Resolutions

There were no formal resolutions.

However, following a short discussion on the future of motorsport in association clubs and specifically how this should embrace EVs the incoming Vice Chair agreed to coordinate a group to review this topic.

Notification of Next AGM

A suggestion was put to the meeting that the date of the AGM could be reviewed, and it could revert a point earlier in the year as the later date is no longer required. Following general discussion, it was agreed by the meeting that this should be adopted. Therefore the Next AGM will be March/April 2025 (covering reports on 2024). However, for continuity it was agreed that Officials elected at this meeting would serve through 2025 until the following AGM in 2026.

A calendar including this change to be created and circulated

There being no further business the Chairman thanked the attendees and closed the meeting at 20.40