

**Bridgend Automobile Club**  
**Minutes of meeting held at Barlow Mow**  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 20:00**

**Attendees:** Paul Steddy (PS)                      **Chairman**  
Tom Pederson(TP)                                **Secretary**  
Dylan Lewis (DL)  
Rob Coleman (RC)  
Leighton Smith(LS)  
Mirek Wojdyla (MW)

**Apologies:** Geoff Bessant (GB)

**The committee would like to welcome to Hanna Luke and Matt James.**

**Election of chairman**  
**Paul Steddy is duly re elected as chairman**

**Minutes of previous meeting**

**The Chairman asked the committee to agree the minutes of the previous meeting.**

**Events**

**LS**

**Quarry was well supported for the first event at the new venue.  
The event made a £93 profit, with the next event being organized for the May 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**TP is to liaise with Cooke & Arkright with regards to the property adjacent to Llandow circuit for possible future events.**

**LS to inform farmer as to the date change from Sun 10<sup>th</sup> of May to Sat 9<sup>th</sup> of May.**

**Gareth Tilleke would like clarity on the issue of points allocation.**

**TP to circulate table of championship points table.**

**Invited club members will have to produce a valid club cards and will not score points within the club championship.**

**Finances**

**GM request that the money in the deposit account in the Manchester building society be withdrawn and a new current account set up locally.**

**GM to send TP the deposit account books so £4802 can be set up in a local bank/building society.**

**Grey and Paul** the club accountants have contacted GM with information as to their latest charges.

**£60 registration with companies house.  
£50 charge for being the clubs registered officers.**

**Their annual fee for the year 2007 was £411 and we will expect it to be in the region of £560 for 2008.**

**Grey and Paul have informed GM of penalties for late accounts to companies house. The penalties are in the following table.**

**The following table shows these bands:**

<b>Length of delay (measured from the date the accounts are due)</b>	<b>Private company</b>	<b>Public company</b>
<b>Not more than 1 month</b>	<b>£150</b>	<b>£750</b>
<b>More than 1 month but not more than 3 months</b>	<b>£375</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>More than 3 months but not more than 6 months</b>	<b>£750</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>More than 6 months</b>	<b>£1,500</b>	<b>£7,500</b>

**If the accounts were late the previous year the charges will be doubled.**

**Table taken from companies house website.**

**With the charges that Grey and Paul are exposing on the club it was proposed that we maybe find another accountant to take over the duties.**

**PS** to enquire with his accountant with availability.

**There was a query into who the directors and secretary are within the club.**

**TP** to enquire further.

**GM** request that the date of AGM/Dinner and Dance be moved to a date more appropriate and correspond with the financial year, so the club members can be shown the accounts and then sent away to be edited in compliance with LTD company rules.

**LS**

**The AGM/dinner and dance was poorly supported and making a loss.**

**Venue                    £372  
Raffle prize            £32.75  
Trophy engraving £128.44**

**Total                    £533.19  
AGM tickets sold £300**

**Raffle tickets sold £52**

**Total                    £352**

**533.19**

**352.00**

**181.19.**

**TP** suggests that payment for association of south western motor clubs should be sent.

**GM** to send payment.

**AOB**

**PS** has been approached for the club to organize more social events.

**Action** camping trip to Lllys y fran, bbq at Ewenny woods, treasure hunt.

**Hanna Luke** suggests making a nav scatter fun/simpler Fun.

**Dean Jones** has approached **LS** with a suggestion with running a sprint event at Llandow in the summer/Autumn.

**Action committee** decides to approach welsh counties in a joint venture to run event subject to costs and approval from welsh counties motor club.

**End of committee meeting 21:38**

**Next committee April 14 2009**

## Competition Secretary (permits & points) update – March 2009

Since the beginning of the new membership year in January, the following events have taken place:-

Date	Event	Organiser(s)	Entries	Profit/Loss	Comments
6 <sup>th</sup> January	Navscat	Rob Coleman/ Geoff Bessant	4	£6.00	Low attendance
25 <sup>th</sup> January	Autotest (Llandow)	Simon Walker/ Peter smith/ Sam Dean	22	£72.50	
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Navscat	Colin Coleman	Cancelled	-£19.00	Inclement weather
15 <sup>th</sup> February	Autotest (Llandow)	Leighton Smith/ Jonathan Smith/ Jayne Jones	13	£16.25	
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Autotest (Quarry)	Rob James/ Matt James/ Hannah Luke	20	£93.00	6 juniors
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Navscat	Colin Coleman	6	£26.00	

Minimum entries required not to make a loss:  
Navscatter = 4 ; Autotest = 11

*January's Navscatter* was poorly attended and because it was so close to the beginning of the membership year, not everyone had renewed their membership in time. So not able to allocate points to some entrants.

Recommendation: All entrants to be reminded at each event that a current membership must be in force in order to compete (as per Blue Book regulations).

*February's Navscatter* was cancelled due to the icy conditions. I spoke directly with the MSA and the permit fee could not be recovered.

*The March Navscatter* received a good turnout and it was clear that Colin had put a considerable amount of time and effort into the planning.

It was good to see new organisers for the *January Autotest*. Let's hope it encourages others. I have posted a Forum message to this effect.

*The Quarry Autotest* was well received by all who attended. I would recommend giving positive feedback to the quarry owner and organisers.

I inadvertently ordered the wrong permit for this event (Autotest instead of Production Car Autotest) so the MSA fees were higher. This won't happen again. Luckily, this was offset by the fact that the Quarry fees on this occasion were zero.

### Points

Please issue definitive guidance for the allocation of points. The various categories I have are:-

- Chairman (Catch all for Woods and what else ?)
- Clubman (organising, marshalling, external events etc)
- Driver (External to BAC)
- Co-driver (External to BAC)
- Navscatter (Separate championship)
- Autotest (Llandow and Margam only)
- Woods (Chairman's ?)
- Junior (Everything relating to Juniors)

I need a category to slot the Quarry event into. Is this the same 'catch-all' as the woods (Chairman's Championship).

*Production Car Autotests general*

A reminder of the rules for organisers. The Blue Book states:

Drivers must be at least 14 years old.

Passengers can be from 12 years and above but if the driver is 14, 15, or 16, or does not possess a full RTA Licence, the passenger must hold a full RTA licence and be experienced in Autotesting. The vehicle must be by definition a 'touring car' (rule 32).

Specifically, Open or sports cars can only compete with their hoods erected or a hard top fitted (rule 43).

Recommendation: Ensure all competitors are current members (except invited members) when giving the event briefing and state that all passengers must sign on. Occasionally some drivers allow other family members/friends as a passenger but omit to sign them on.

*Club Handbook*

This needs updating to reflect the committee's decisions e.g. deletion of additional points for introducing new member; championship allocations etc.

Thanks to Leighton and Tom for their advice and support during my short stint in this role.

Gareth Tilleke  
March 2009