

BAC minutes of Comittee meeting

8th, November 2011

Attendees;-

Rob James (RJ) Paul Steddy (PS) Jayne Jones (J.J)

Leighton Smith (L.S) Tom Pedersen (T.P) Dave Sellick (D.S)

Geoff Bessant (G.B) Gareth Tilleke (G.T)

Apologies;-

R.C.

Minutes;-

April HL, AGM TP, July JJ, Sept DS, Oct GB, Nov LS

Events;-

- LS Last event at Llandow was poorly attended, the club lost approx £30 after MSA fees and the venue were paid.
- PS offered to run the christmas event on the 28th December.
- DS offered to run the event at Llandow on the 20th Nov. TP to assist.
- GT brought up championship points issue, it seems the clubmans championship is always being won by the same person, because they do alot of marshalling. So he mentioned that the point gained for organising in club events should go up from 10 to 20 points. He also questioned the fact that someone was claiming points for the drivers championship from karting, when we already have a karting championship which is empty of entrants this year- PS thought it was unfair and thought we just needed more entrants in the drivers championship. TP suggested that it would be fairer if we had an external senior for drivers where the claimant would get a set number of points as long as he or she finished the event. Although it was felt that level of

event, e.g. National 'A' should be awarded more points than a national 'B' event etc.

He also thought a similar championship for catching external points for the juniors would be fairer – the committee agreed and will be enforced from Jan. 1st 2012.

It was also discussed that to make the external event championship more competitive, that the drivers and navigators championship would be amalgamated with existing driver/navigators cup being rebadged for 2012 presentation.

- LS asked about the possibility of running a nav scat in 2012- it was felt that there was not enough interest and GB would post it on the website to gauge interest, and see if people would like one to run, RC showed interest in running it.

Finances;-

- GB- speaking for RC, said that the bank had sorted the signatories for the club account. So both TP and RC can now sign cheques. The account balance is £7004.06.

A.O.B;-

- TP mentioned about event fees, it was thought that event fees would stay as they are for 2012. But membership fees would rise with;-
Life membership staying as £0
Single membership rising to £15
Junior membership rising to £10
And Joint Membership would be scrapped, the committee agreed and this will take effect from 1-1-2012
- LS, stated that the club fire extinguishers had been serviced and the dry powder extinguisher had been exchanged due to it reaching 5yrs of age. The bill came to £70.80.
- GB- stated that the club forum on the website had a problem which due to it being a free service could not be fixed, it was thought a new

forum host would be found which had tech-support but would incur an annual fee of approx £100 GB to investigate further.

- LS asked GB to investigate the possibility of ordering some BAC sunstrips for members to put in their cars. He will investigate.
- JJ will liase with GB about the purchase of BAC feather flags to use in conjunction with the club gazebo.

Meeting closed 9.50 pm

No meeting in Dec.

Next meeting Tuesday 10th Jan 2012

BAC minutes of Committee meeting

10 January 2012

Attendees;-

Rob James (RJ) Paul Steddy (PS) Jayne Jones (J.J)

Leighton Smith (L.S) Tom Pedersen (T.P) Dave Sellick (D.S)

Geoff Bessant (G.B) Andy James (AJ)

Apologies;-

R.C.

Minutes;-

April HL, AGM TP, July JJ, Sept DS, Oct GB, Nov LS Jan PS

Events;-

- PS ran the Christmas event on the 28th December 10 entries the event lost £8.
- RJ offered to run the event at Llandow on the 22Jan.
- LS offered to run the event at Margam on the 12 February GT and GB to marshal cones to be picked up by RJ.
- RJ offered to run the event at Argoed Quarry on the 26 Feb.
- Championship points issues were revisited, it was confirmed that the point gained for organising in club events should go up from 10 to 20 points.
TP will develop a new points scoring Matrix points being awarded for finishing

International should be awarded 20 points

National 'A' should be awarded 15 points

National 'B' should be awarded 12 points

Clubman should be awarded 10 points

It was confirmed that a junior's championship for catching external points would be implemented from Jan. 1st 2012.

It was confirmed that to make the external event championship more competitive, that the drivers and navigator s championship would be amalgamated with existing driver/navigators cup being rebadged for 2012 presentation.

All junior organising points will now go into the clubmen's championship

- LS asked about the possibility of running a nav scat in 2012- it was felt that there was not enough interest and GB would post it on the website to gauge interest, and see if people would like one to run, RC showed interest in running it.
- Timing lights need to be repaired RC will contact manufacturer if we cannot fix them ourselves.
- Championship results will be available by the end of February, GT
- Awards Night possibly 3rd March or 25th February at the Pheasant Inn Pen y Fai, JJ to organise

Finances;-

- RC stated that the ASWMC fees were to be paid and that the WAMC fees had been paid.
- The accounts should be available hopefully by the AGM

A.O.B;-

- GB- stated that the club forum on the website had a problem which could not be overcome. New forum software was installed and we have the facility to update it as required.
- LS asked GB to investigate the possibility of ordering some BAC sun strips for members to put in their cars. GB investigated and discussed with LS, it was agreed this was a personal choice and not a club matter.

- JJ will liaise with GB about the purchase of BAC feather flags to use in conjunction with the club gazebo.
- Andrew James was welcomed on to the committee

Meeting closed 9.30 pm

No meeting in Dec.

Next meeting Tuesday 7th February 2012 (valentines night on 14th pub could be busy)

BAC Minutes of Committee Meeting

7th February 2012

Attendees

Paul Steddy	Jayne Jones	Leighton Smith	Tom Pedersen
Dave Sellick	Geoff Bessant	Rob Coleman	John Bevan

Apologies

Rob James, Andy James.

Minutes

April; HL, AGM; TP, July; JJ, Sept; DS, Oct; GB, Nov; LS, Jan; PS, Feb; DS.

Meeting Open at 8 pm.

The minutes of the previous Meeting were ratified.

Events

- ⤴ Everything ready for Margam Park event (12/02/12) (e.g. cones, timing gear).
BBQ things also ready; a donations box will be put out as before. Payment for venue hire to be made on the day.
- ⤴ The last event at Llandow on 22/01/12 gave a profit of approximately £50.
- ⤴ PS/RC to organise 10/03/12 event at Llandow.
- ⤴ TP has produced the new points scoring matrix.
- ⤴ Ewenny Woods; a list of dates for 2012 to be sent to the Landowners. An invoice for the land use for 2012 will be requested.
- ⤴ It was decided to not organise a navigational scatter as discussed in previous meetings.
- ⤴ The timing lights have been repaired and are ready to use at the next event.
- ⤴ Awards Night has been booked at the Maerdy Hotel, Pencoed for 25th February.
JJ organising.

Finances

- ⤴ The accounts show a balance of £6583.33 as of 18/01/12.
- ⤴ The annual fee for ASWMC has been paid and a standing order for future payments will be set up. The fees for WAMC have also been paid.

AOB

- ⤴ The new Club forum is live. All of the previous user accounts on the old forum have been lost, so Members will have to sign up again to the new forum.
- ⤴ It was decided that BAC sun strips (as discussed in previous meetings) would not be purchased by the Club.

Meeting Closed at 9 pm.

Date of Next meeting Tuesday 13th March 2012.

Bridgend Automobile Club
Minutes of committee meeting held at Barley Mow
Tuesday 13th March 2012 at 20:00

Attendees: Dave Sellick DS Leighton Smith LS Robert Coleman RC Paul Steddy PS
Tom Pedersen TP Rob James RJ Andy James AJ
Andy Stanford AS Samantha Stanford SS

Apologies: Geoff Bessant GB Jayne Jones JJ

Minutes: Apr – HL; AGM – TP; July – JJ; Sep – DS; Oct – GB; Nov – LS; Jan – PS;
Feb – DS; Mar – RC

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Events

The event at Margam Park on Sun 12th Feb was well attended with 15 competitors for the morning and afternoon events. After paying venue and MSA fees the event still made a small profit and the BBQ donation box also covered the cost of the food and drinks purchased. Thanks to all organisers, marshals and chefs.

RC reported that the Llandow event on Sat 10th March was well attended and ran smoothly with 20 competitors. £200 taken in event fees, £70 paid to farmer and £79 for MSA fees so the event made £51 profit. New memberships and renewals also received on the day being processed by TP.

Spill kit material was used on the day. Replacement absorbent pads and granules can be sourced by AS and RJ respectively, both to advise Treasurer of cost to club.

Discussions took place about introducing a new class/championship to the tarmac events based on a specialist/spaceframe category such as Caterham, Westfield, Dutton. This will maintain the healthy competition between these cars and also encourage competition between the remaining “production” class and provide extra incentive for winning in both. After much debate the following was proposed and seconded:

- Create a new Tarmac class/championship for “Specialist/Spaceframe” cars to include those listed above (and similar) which will attract points as per normal finishing position rules
- All other cars will compete the existing Tarmac “Production” class/championship which will attract points according to normal finishing position rules
- Both the above classes will also attract points in the Chairman’s cup so it will also increase the level of competition in this championship
- “Junior” class/championship remains unaltered regardless of vehicle driven
- Loose Surface Autotest championship remains unchanged

This will be implemented for the whole of 2012 (including events already held) and its success will be monitored by the committee. Organiser will have final discretion over which cars run in which classes but consistency from event to event will be important.

RC will update the event results sheet to add a column for Class/Championship and will also email G Tilleke about the changes to the points allocation.

Next events and organisers agreed – Sun 25th March Llandow (AS); Sat 14th April Llandow (PS); Sun 6 May Ewenny (LS)

Finances

RC updated on club finances. Bank balance at 28th Feb was £7095.68 but this was before paying in money received for Awards night and Margam BBQ.

2011 accounts now ready to be sent to Graham Paul Accountants.

A.O.B.

JJ, LS and RJ attended a meeting at the newly re-formed Maesteg Motor Club last week. This was their 2nd meeting which they will hold on a monthly basis. Don't currently seem to be planning their own competitive events but organising quiz nights etc. LS invited them to attend BAC events and TP will confirm this in writing to them (LS will supply email address).

LS reported that WAMC still list T Donovan as Comp Sec. TP will email them to correct.

AGM date set for Tuesday 15th May at 21:00 in the Barley Mow. TP will ask GB to send email to members and will inform Barley Mow landlord.

Meeting ended 9:15pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 10th April 2012 at 20:00

BAC Committee Meeting held on 19th April 2012

Present:

Leighton Smith (LS) Jayne Jones (JJ) Rob Coleman (RC)

Rob James (RJ) Andy James (AJ) Tom Pedersen (TP)

Geoff Bessant (GB) Paul Steddy (PS) Dave Sellick (DS)

Minutes; - AGM- TP / JJ/ DS/ GB/ LS/ PS/ RC / RJ

Events;-

- Rob James had received a complaint from John Rosser co-owner of Argoed Quarry; he had not been informed about the last event taking place and also his neighbour had complained about the noise. It was decided that from now on Rob James would liaise with both Tom Pritchard and John Rosser.
- Tom mentioned that Matthew Steddy (a junior member) had ended up on the track whilst a live run was taking place whilst trying to bump start his car. The committee decided that this was dangerous for the other competitors and that juniors should only be driving during the competitive runs, and that no junior should be alone in charge of any vehicle.
- Leighton stated that Margam Park was now booked for Sunday 7th Oct 2012 and that the fee had risen by £10 making it now £220.
- Leighton said there was a lack of organisers for events, the same people are being relied on to do the running of auto tests and that other committee members need to step up to the plate and help!
- Leighton – because of the lack of experienced organisers Leighton had approached Terry Donovan to help- he accepted but at a later date due to commitments at present.

- Paul Steddy offered to run an auto test at Llandow with a free practise session before the actual test. Some experienced drivers e.g. John Morgan / Gethin Jones would give free tuition to juniors and who ever wanted it. Leighton will give dates to Paul so he can arrange which Llandow would be suitable.
- Rob Coleman offered to run an all day event at Llandow, similar to Margam Park event, with a BBQ for lunch. Leighton to sort out dates with Rob to see when would be suitable.
- Rob Coleman asked if the spill kit had been refilled after its use in Llandow – Andy Stanford had refilled the kit free of charge it was mentioned.

Finances;-

- Rob Coleman reported the last event took £250, less the MSA permit and farmer's fee- the club still made a small profit.
- Current Balance is £7,900.00
- All accounts have been forwarded to the club accountants Graham, Paul.
- Paul Steddy enquired whether some of the club money could be invested in an interest account, Rob Coleman will investigate with Lloyds Bank.

A.O.B.

- Tom has updated the championship points matrix and will update the club handbook and email to all the committee for approval. He also stated that the date is set for the AGM, 9pm 15th May, Geoff has emailed members to notify them.

Meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

BAC Committee Meeting held on 8th May 2012

Present:

Leighton Smith (LS) Jayne Jones (JJ) Rob Coleman (RC)
Rob James (RJ) Andy James (AJ) Tom Pedersen (TP)
Geoff Bessant (GB)

Apologies: Paul Steddy (PS)

Minutes; - AGM- TP / JJ/ DS/ GB/ LS/ PS/ RC / RJ/LS/GB

Events;-

- The Ewenny Woods Event scheduled for Sunday 6th May was cancelled due to the woods being flooded. This event will be rescheduled.
- The next scheduled event is at Ewenny Woods on Sunday 20th May, LS will check condition of woods prior to the event to confirm it will be taking place.
- At the previous committee meeting Paul Steddy offered to run an auto test at Llandow with a free practise session before the actual test. Some experienced drivers e.g. John Morgan / Gethin Jones would give free tuition to juniors and who ever wanted it. Leighton has suggested that the Autotest arranged for Sunday 3rd June would be an ideal opportunity to do this – LS to speak to PS.
- LS to email RC with the date to organise an event at Llandow (no event calendar available at the meeting).
- TP had agreed to organise a Woods Event – date to be confirmed.

Finances;-

- RC reported that the accountants have now changed the address for all correspondence to the club, everything will be sent to RC.
- RC enquired about changing the registered office for the club and the accountants sent a form to be completed if this was required. The committee decided that as the saving was only going to be £72 there was no point in changing the address.

- RC has received the accounts back from the club accountants Graham Paul, the club have made a loss of £1031 in the last financial year. Accounts to be presented at the AGM on 15th May, once accepted they must be signed off by PS.
- As on 25th April the balance of the clubs funds was £7949.69
- RC reported he now has Online Banking setup.
- RC has looked at various options for moving some of the clubs funds into a savings account. After discussion the committee agreed to explore further and select an account, TP suggested the Santander 2% Instant Access Account, RC to progress.
The committee thanked RC for all the work he has carried out in getting the accounts sorted out.
- RC to make a payment of £250 to Cooke & Arkwright for use of the woods this year.
- RC paid GB £11.83 for new club banner

A.O.B.

- TP has updated the championship points matrix and following further discussion he will reissue to committee members to sign off.
- TP reported no Notices of Motion received for the AGM
- LS reported that Welsh Counties club is no more and a new club RST has emerged. TP to write to them to invite them to BAC events
- RJ took part in a Sprint at Llandow with BAC door plates and number plates on his car, committee supported this.
- LS to confirm times for attending to assist setting up the Pencoed Car show on Saturday and what time to arrive on Sunday to set things up.

Meeting closed at 9.06 p.m.
Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th June

BAC Minutes of Committee Meeting

12th June 2012

Attendees

Leighton Smith, Jayne Jones, Paul Steddy, Rob James, Tom Pedersen, Geoff Bessant, Dave Sellick, John Bevan.

Apologies

Rob Coleman, Andy James.

Minutes

AGM; TP/JJ/DS/GB/LS/PS/RC/RJ/LS/GB/DS

Meeting Open at 8 pm.

- PS re-elected as Chairman.
- The minutes of the previous Meeting were ratified.

Events

- TP organising next event (Ewenny Woods). TP has the permit and will check that the land is in a suitable condition for the event to run shortly before event is due to take place.
- The Llandow Autotest on 8th July will have a free practice/tuition session in the morning, followed by an Autotest in the afternoon. The Farmer will be contacted to check availability of the top part (main road side) for the event.

- The Llandow Autotest on 22nd July will be an all day event, similar to events at Margam Park.
- RST are holding a Gymkhana on 1st July at Walter's Arena. The Committee will enquire about BAC being an invited Club for future RST events. The list of invited Clubs to BAC events will also be sorted out.

Finances

- RJ brought the remaining monies from the last Llandow event to give to TP.
- The Accounts up to 2010 are published on the Club website. The 2011 Accounts will be published when they are received.

AOB

- New Club feather flags (2) will be ordered. RJ and GB will keep one each.
- The AGM Minutes have been published on the Club website.
- The Championship matrix will be published on the Club website shortly.
- PS to investigate publishing advertisements in the local press for forthcoming events. This advertising will be discussed on a regular basis e.g. once a month.
- As the Club has had a number of new Members recently, the Committee felt that the time was right to remind Members that the good reputation of the Club must be maintained at all times by them. This includes travelling to and from events, where the rules of the road and Highway Code must be followed.

Meeting Closed at 9:05 pm.

Next meeting Tuesday 10th July 2012.

BAC Minutes of Committee Meeting

Tuesday 10th July 2012

Attendees

Leighton Smith, Jayne Jones, Rob Coleman, Paul Steddy, Tom Pedersen, Geoff Bessant, Dave Sellick.

Apologies

Andy James, Rob James, John Bevan

Minutes

AGM; TP/JJ/DS/GB/LS/PS/RC/RJ/LS/GB/DS/PS

Meeting Open at 8 pm.

- ⤴ The minutes of the previous Meeting were agreed.

Events

- ⤴ TP organising next event at (Ewenny Woods). Was cancelled as ground to wet.
- ⤴ The Llandow Autotest held on 8th July had a free practice/tuition session in the morning, followed by an Autotest in the afternoon. This was as deemed to be a success by those who turned up for the practice session, others who turned up too late for the practice session expressed interest in more practice session. Practice sessions could be shorter in the future maybe starting at 11-12pm.
- ⤴ The Llandow Autotest on 22nd July will be an all day event, similar to events at Margam Park.
- ⤴ It was suggested that we need weights to hold down the gazebo GB to get more information.

- ⤴ The Chairman complemented the committee on the well running of the autotests and recognised all the effort put in by committee members.
- ⤴ LS stated that due to the loss of off road events due to the bad weather conditions, competitors would no longer be able to drop rounds in the championship.
- ⤴ Feather flags which the club recently bought looked good and added an air of professionalism to the autotests.

Finances

- ⤴ PS brought the remaining monies from the last Llandow event to give to RB.
- ⤴ This year so far there has been a small profit for the club and we have invested in equipment, the bank account remains healthy with £6950

AOB

- ⤴ The Championship matrix has been published on the Club website but the sp and standard classes need to be split.
- ⤴ PS to investigate publishing advertisements in the local press for forthcoming events. Our advertising discussion this month centred around our facebook presence.
- ⤴ A new case for the timing gear has been bought.
- ⤴ The RST Gymkhana at Walters arena was reportedly very good BAC is an invited club so there is no need to join RST

Meeting Closed at 9:05 pm.

Next meeting Tuesday 11^h September 2012.

BAC Minutes of Committee Meeting

Tuesday 11th September 2012

Attendees

Leighton Smith Jayne Jones Rob Coleman Paul Steddy Tom Pederson Geoff Bessant
Dave Sellick Andy James Robert James John Bevan.

Minutes

AGM; TP /JJ/DS/GB/LS/PS/RC/RJ/LS/GB/DS/PS/AJ

Meeting Open at 8p.m.

- Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Events

- Last event woods on Sunday, very poorly attended. Only 4 people. Great weather, good track, lots of runs and good fun.
- Lots promised to attend with few actually turning up.
- Suggestion to keep running the woods events regardless, in case they die out.
- Loss of about £25 on the event.
- General agreement that it was a one off failure.
- Next event is a Saturday Llandow, organised by Andy and Rob James.
- Event afterwards being Margam Park, LS will confirm that cones are available during the event prior to the event.
- Suggestion for help for Jayne Jones with the midday barbeque. Volunteers etc.
- Discuss whether to continue the 2 events per day at Margam or switch to one per day.
- Talk about the lines required for HGV drivers being obscured by tyre marks etc at Margam Park venue.
- Ensure from now on that Llandow organisers make the start in front of the box lines to prevent undesired tyre marks.
- Previous event organised by Dave Sellick was a success with extras such as tent and free teas and coffees.

- Geoff researched into weights for the tents to prevent movement in adverse weather conditions. Rob James thinks he can supply something suitable rather than Geoff ordering some weights.

Finances

- Rob Coleman; the finances are very healthy with a balance in excess of £7800 available to the club. This has been down to the increase of membership and turnout at events, especially Llandow.

- This year, despite the extra spending, we're still making money.

- Decided we would like to invest some money, possibly £5000-ish, Rob Coleman to be researching into options for investments of about £5000 over 1 or 2 years fixed with a possible 100 days penalties to allow for withdrawals.

Any Other Business

- Leighton Smith; the timing gear had a loose terminal on the box, this has been pushed back in. Also batteries been replaced on the timer so replacement spares are required. The lights do not go back to red after each run, this is possibly down to certain settings as it was something that happened previously.

- Paul Steddy can get event information into the paper, Western Mail Echo Group etc. Suggested that an advertisement can be put in for the next Llandow as a trail.

- Posters made for previous events looked good and inviting etc.

- Certain points for championships issues under resolution by Leighton Smith and Jayne Jones.

- Championship regulations regarding points distribution not up to date on website.

- Geoff Bessant has placed an advert for an Astra for somebody on the website forum.

- Jayne Jones to make numbered cards for next event that each competitor presents before each run to easily identify them on the sign in sheet.

- Rob Coleman to update Rob James' outside club events.

- The forum requires updating, apparently the software is out of date.

- Do we need the forum? - Rob Coleman. Argument that there's very little activity on the forum. We could operate on the website and facebook alone.

- We've had a lot of new members attending autotests that could be interested in navigational scatters. Rob Coleman suggests a trail nav scatter sometime soon to see who would be interested and encourage people to attend club nights. Agreed for a trail run near November.

Meeting Closed at 9:12 p.m.

Next meeting Tuesday 9th October 2012

BAC Minutes of Committee Meeting

9th October 2012

Attendees:

Leighton Smith, Dave Sellick, Paul Steddy, John Bevan, Tom Pederson,
Andy James, Rob James, Geoff Bessant, Jayne Jones

Apologies:

Rob Coleman

Minutes

AGM=TP, /JJ/DS/GB/LS/PS/RC/RJ/LS/GB/DS/PS/AJ/JJ

Next minutes by TP then RC, then RJ then AJ

Meeting opened at 8p.m.

- Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Events

- Next event November, 18th- Paul and Tom agreed to organise this event.
- Then Argoed Quarry on December 9th- Rob James and Leighton smith to organise this event.
- December 29th, Llandow has been moved to the Saturday as it clashes with Pembrey's Christmas stages if run on the Sunday.
- Rob Coleman, is hoping to run a Nav Scat on Tuesday the 20th Nov. he has posted the event on facebook and has let Measteg motor Club know the details.
- MARGAM PARK, Leighton Smith, has asked for a price for half a days rent of the car park as discussed last month, however, this is not possible. No Half day Hire.
- The BBQ was well supported, and Jayne jones would like to thank Liza Fitzgerald for her help.
- During this event two, members behaved irresponsibly, their actions were discussed, and it was decided that their actions could have been dangerous to spectators, or themselves; and that the reputation of the club, was at stake.
- The park warden told LS, that the park have plans to redevelop the camping field opposite the car park, and the car park itself was to have work also....
- He then took LS to look at a possible new site for our activities, the piece of road was googled, discussion about this being too fast. – and that Marshalls would be needed to ensure safety.

- LS suggested chicanes could be placed along the road to slow the drivers down.
- RJ, mentioned that he thought it was 50m between hazards in the MSA rule book.
- This piece of road runs from just before the Abbey, down to the old lodge gates, where there is a turning spot.
- It was decided the committee would go and see this particular piece of Margam in case the forthcoming refurbish inhibits our activities.
- The gazebo weights as discussed last, month have been left in RJ capable hands.
- Geoff to ensure all committee has mail postings, ie, Andy James, etc.

Finances

- In Rob Coleman's Absence through work commitments, he has emailed all committee
- Re.... investments Rob is still looking at all options and will report to committee our options via email.
- Margam Auto test;- Morning entry fees= £240

Afternoon entry fees= £280

BBQ donations = £95.77

Margam venue fees paid= £220

MSA fees =£98.75

BBQ supplies DS = £61.65

BBQ supplies LS = £49.00

Net profit for Margam event = £186.37

Other issues from last month

- The timing gear, had a fault, Andy J has fixed, and LS has changed batteries.
- Paul Steddy admitted he had forgotten to advertise events in the Western Mail; this time, but would endeavour to in future.
- Championship points are now up to date thanks to LS, and will continue to be updated monthly.
- RJ, commented that the matrix of point allocation has not yet been updated, on the forum.

- The numbered cards for auto tests are working but turn over, is becoming a problem we will persevere as it definitely help when organising.
- The question of needing the forum is brought up again , answer is yes.

A.O.B.

- Tom P brings up the subject of the classes in auto tests, as a lotus, was present at Margam, Where do we draw the line on production, and special classes.....
This discussion, mentioned brake horse power, power to weight ratios(AJ) Tyres were brought into this (PS) the decision was to look into MSA classes on tyres etc, and decide next committee meeting.
- The WAMC has a Club Championship, which PS has brought to our attention, LS has agreed to find out more details. How we get into it? Etc
- GB – the website is looking sad and tired, could we get a quote- from the guy who re-mastered our badge.
- It is agreed to get a quote and that a rehash is needed.
- TP, disputes the events ratio of dropped events, small discussion no outcome.
- MSA have already been mysteriously paid, £68 membership, general consensus Rob C has paid it. As Geoff Bessant is named as Chief Marshall

Meeting closed – 9.16p.m.

Bridgend Automobile Club
Minutes of committee meeting held at Barley Mow
Tuesday 13th November 2012 at 20:00

Attendees: Dave Sellick DS Leighton Smith LS Robert Coleman RC Paul Steddy PS
Tom Pedersen TP Rob James RJ Andy James AJ Geoff Bessant GB
Jayne Jones JJ

Apologies: All present and correct (although DS arrived 2 minutes after the meeting
officially started so will receive a 10 second penalty at his next Autotest)

Minutes: JJ DS GB LS PS RC RJ LS GB DS PS AJ JJ RC

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Events

No events have been held since last committee meeting.

Three BAC members attended the RST Gymkhana last week, a very good event.

Nav Scatter will be held on Tuesday 20th November, competitors expected from Maesteg, RST and BAC. Maesteg has very generously donated £30 as 1st prize for this event in appreciation of being invited to BAC events this year. The Committee would like to thank Maesteg Motor Club for this very kind gesture.

Argoed Quarry event will be held on 9th December and organised by RJ/AJ with LS/JS. Permit already obtained.

Llandow Christmas event will be held on 29th December (to avoid clashing with Pembrey Christmas Stages). Organiser DS, permit to be ordered by RC.

Championship points are up to date on the web site.

TP proposed awards will be limited to 1 trophy per person (for internal and external events), so more people can win awards. This will be prioritised as: Chairman's, Tarmac, Loose Surface. For example, if the winner of the Chairman's also wins the Tarmac Championship, then the Tarmac trophy will go to 2nd place, and so on. This was agreed by all and will be implemented starting with the 2013 Championships.

LS mentioned the need to clean the yellow lines at Llandow, following complaints from the driving school. At this weekend's event attempts will be made using cleaning agent/wire brushes.

AJ is looking into obtaining weights for gazebo ready for next event.

Finances

RC updated on club finances. Bank balance at 31st October was £8055.

RC presented options for investing £5000 of club's cash balance. It was agreed that the best option was a "high street" name e.g. Santander fixed 1 year business bond paying 2.5% interest. Before acting on this RC will check with Accountants that there are no restrictions or tax implications of doing this.

Club MSA registration fee of £68 paid by RC.

A.O.B.

After much discussion it was agreed to retain the current event class system of Specials (e.g. Westfields, Caterhams, other kit cars or one-offs), Production and Junior.

LS is looking for volunteers to organise the engraving of trophies next year for the Awards night.

Web site rebuild was discussed. RC expressed concern that the £650 quote obtained seemed very high for what is a simple and static web structure. It was agreed to obtain other quotes, actions are:

- GB will send a simple "spec" to define what we need and a re-quote from original source
- AJ will check with University
- PS will check again through work
- TP will check again through work.

RC reported that the Forum is not producing any discussion or traffic but generating hundreds of spam user registrations every week. It was agreed that the calendar of events will move to the website, the main online presence for discussion will be the Club's Facebook page and the Forum will be shut down at the end of the year.

JJ is looking into social event options and dates for BAC at Christmas.

The Committee congratulated RJ on his (successful!) parachute jump which took place on 3rd November. He raised over £1000 for cancer research, great job!

Meeting ended 10:05pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 8th January 2013 at 20:00