Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the ACTC Sunday 8th September 2013 At The Major's Retreat, Tormarton

Members and Officers Present:

Giles Greenslade - Chairman Robin Moore - L&NCMC - President & VWOC(GB) Simon Woodall Stuart Harrold - Hon. Sec. Pete Hart - Bristol MC & Class 7 Brian Partridge - Vice-Chairman Jonathan Toulmin Andrew Brown - ROW Officer - MAC Pat Toulmin - Restart Editor Barrie Kirton - MCC - Stroud & DMC **Dudley Sterry** - MCC Carl Talbot Steve Knight - North Devon MC Vic Lockley - R&DMSC Stephen Bailey Neil Forrest - R&DMSC - Motorcycle Cord. Tristan White - Camel Vale MC John Barthram - North Devon MC - Woolbridge MC Sue Webb - Woolbridge MC Andy Webb Barbara Selkirk – Treasurer/VWOC(GB) Chris Phillips - Champ. Sec. - Torbay MC - Minehead MC Dave Haizelden Dick Hutchins Keith Sanders - Torbay MC

25 persons present, with 13 member clubs represented.

1. Apologies for Absence

Tim & Anne Whellock	Windwhistle MC	Alan Foster	 Vice President
Bill Bennett	- MGCC	Dave Sapp	– Morgan SCC
Derek Reynolds	- Fell Side AC	Dave Wall	 Dellow Register
Mark Tooth	Bristol MC	John West	 Vice President
Greg Warren	- Torbay MC	John Blakeley	- ACTC Scrutineer
Brian Osborn	- MGCC	Mike Hayward	- Falcon MC
Barry Clark	- VSCC	Richard Andrews	- R&DMSC

2. Election of Officers

- 2.1 Elected at the May meeting. Simon Woodall, President and Giles Greenslade, Chairman introduced themselves.
- 2.2 Simon Woodall VWOC(GB) proposed Robin Moore as a Vice President. Seconded by MAC. Accepted by a unanimous vote.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting on 4th May 2013.

The minutes had been circulated with the agenda and were accepted with one addition.

3.1 It was noted that Woolbridge MC had offered to donate £500 to the LARA Fighting Fund. This donation had not been made on advice from Andrew Brown or LARA representative and ROW Officer.

4. Matters Arising from the May 4th minutes.

- 4.1 Simon Woodall stated that the Organisation Guideline for Trials is available as a PDF file and will be put up on the ACTC website. Simon can supply paper copies. Action: Simon Woodall 4.2 Current Vice Presidents. Barbara Selkirk has written to all the existing Vice Presidents asking if they wished to continue as a VP. Ann Templeton, John West, Alan Foster, indicated they would like to remain, Martin Halliday wished to step down. Electronic copies of 'Restart' will be offered to Ann Templeton and John West. Action: Chris Phillips
- 4.2 Class X bikes to be discussed in AOB.

5. Financial Report

- 5.1 The Financial report for 2013 was circulated with the agenda, there were no discussions.
- 5.2 The 2014 Budget was circulated with the agenda, a correction required. **Action: Barbara Selkirk** A donation of £500 to LARA has been made and £500 has been put in the 2014 budget for LARA, this £500 will not be used until May 2014. We received a letter of thanks from LARA.

The ACTC 'fighting fund' was reduced to £2500 so Barbara has increased the 'fighting fund' to £3500. The ACTC Dinner & Awards evening went well it was a good event and very cost effective. Kelly has agreed to organise next year's event on June 14th 2014 at the same venue.

5.3 Giles Greenslade was appointed as a company director of the ACTC.

6. MSA Trials Committee Report

6.1 At the last Trials Committee meeting the new chief at the MSA, Nick Bunting was introduced and expressed lots of enthusiasm.

The changes regarding mudguards and the repositioning of spare wheels and fuel tanks have been sent out and will be implemented from 1st January 2015. It should be noted that the changes to the mudguard regulations are as a reaction to the 2013 Ilkley Trial scrutineering problems. The new regulations will be in Section T of the Blue Book, Section T takes priority over Section J.

6.2 There was a general show of appreciation for John Blakely on how he handled the difficulties with the Ilkley Trial scrutineer.

6.3 Windows and change of material from glass to a plastic material. There was a long discussion on weather the window in a tailgate which is effectively the boot lid can be changed. It was felt that the tailgate material can be changed but not the glass area. It was decided that Clubs should discuss this and come back to the May 2014 meeting. Proposed by Stroud MC, Seconded by Camel Vale MC that a decision should be postponed until May 2014 meeting carried unanimously.

Action; All member clubs to discuss.

7. Technical Matters

7.1 Stroud MC had proposed that the decision to allow Type 9 gearboxes to be fitted to Ford Escorts was unfair and should be rescinded. There was a long discussion on this matter which was finally put to a vote. Proposed Stroud MC, Seconded VWOC(GB) that the rule be rescinded. For 4, Against 5, Abstentions 4. The proposal was defeated. **So Type 9 gearboxes can be fitted to Ford Escorts.**

7.2 Swapping of engines, particularly in Ford Escorts. There was again a long discussion on swapping engines and putting non period engines into earlier model cars. In particular Stroud MC wanted to allow changes to reduce costs and keep a level playing field.

Proposed by Stroud MC, Seconded by North Devon MC that; ACTC do not allow general engine swapping, engines must be from the same manufacturer and period as the car.

For 3, Against 9, Abstention 1. So non period engines from the same manufacturer can be fitted to earlier cars.

7.3 Definition of a Production car. The excellent paper prepared by Keith Sanders had been circulated with the agenda.

It was generally felt that the old blue book definition of a production car should be retained for ACTC events with a list of eligible cars. The rule will be written up, defined and circulated. **Action: Simon Woodall/Andrew Brown**

Proposed Torbay MC, Seconded L&NCMC. Passed Unanimously.

7.4 Mid engined sports cars. Should they be in Class 5 or Class 6. It was stated that a mid engined car would never be as competitive as a Beetle in Class 6. It was felt that we did not need to bother with an MSA rule change but must get our ACTC rules correct. This was discussed at great length but as there are only one or two mid engined cars currently trialing it was very difficult to make a decision on which class they should be in. The mood of the meeting was to retain the status quo until more mid engined cars appear and their performance can be assessed.

8.0 Recording Rule Changes

8.1 Current and proposed changes to the ACTC rules were circulated with the agenda.

During a long discussion it was agreed that rules must be clearly written and unambiguous. In general it should be clear why a rule change is needed, how it will benefit the sport and what is the risks if the rule is not changed.

Andrew Brown retains the master rule document and he proposed that as most changes are technical then the technical rules should be taken out of the main body of the rules and added as an appendix. Stroud MC Proposed and Bristol MC Seconded the proposal to re-jig the ACTC rules by putting the technical regulations in as an appendix. Passed unanimously.

Action: Andrew Brown

8.2 We need to decide the dates and timing of any rule changes and technical regulations. Changes can come from either of our two ACTC meetings and can be ratified at the next ACTC meeting. Then the change can come into effect on a rule by rule basis and be published on the web site and in 'Restart' as soon as possible.

9, Rights of Way Report

9.1 Andrew Brown had circulated the ROW report and extensive LARA documentation; these were issued with the agenda.

10. 'Restart' & Web-site

10.1 'Restart', Pat Toulmin reported that generally things were on track and the 30th October is the deadline for contributions to the next 'Restart'.

10.2 Web-site. Pat reported that things had gone quiet on the site. She can edit and update the site with her new computer but feels that the web-site needs a re-vamp. Giles Greenslade offered to look into a possible source of a web-site re-design.

Action: Giles Greenslade

10.3 Pat was authorised to procure 50 copies of a 2014 ACTC calendar. Action: Pat Toulmin

11. Championship Schedule

11.1 2013 Schedule, no changes.

11.2 2014 Schedule Draft 5. The Camel Heights date needed correcting. Then the 2014 Schedule will become Issue 1. Action: Chris Phillips

11.3 Stephen Bailey had tabled a point that he believed that there were too many events in September. This was discussed and it was generally agreed that it was up to the individual clubs to nominate their dates and not for ACTC to dictate them.

12. Championship Reports

12.1 Registration. This year there are 105 car drivers, 13 bike riders, 15 navigators, 58 passengers and 2 teams registered? Positions on the Wheelspin, Crackington and Navigators were announced and the Pouncey and Red Rose championships for bikes.

12.2 Motorcycle. Stephen Bailey reported that the problems with side cars seems to have gone away, previously some people turned up on endurance outfits which are not eligible for ACTC events. Stephen had asked the ACU if it would include the ACTC bike regulations in the ACU book but no answer had been received.

Stephen will investigate the sub-division of Class b. Action: Stephen Bailey

13. Championship Quality

- 13.1 A quality report from Dave Haizelden had been circulated to all delegates prior to the meeting.
- 13.2 Class 8 still dominates the winners of trials.

Dave stated that changes to ACTC rules were not getting disseminated to competitors and we did not seem to receive feed back from competitors. The meeting was reminded that it is the responsibility of each club delegate to disseminate ACTC information within their respective club. **Action: Each club delegate.**

14. Scrutineering Report

14.1 John Blakely had provided a Scrutineering Report which had been circulated to all delegates prior to the meeting. Some clubs listed in the report had not returned the scrutineering cards to John or had not correctly completed the cards. Delegates of those clubs were asked to investigate why this had happened, within their club.

Action: Clubs Highlighted in Scrutineering Report

15. Any Other Business

15.1 The lateness of ACTC information being distributed by the Secretary did not allow sufficient time for it to be discussed within member clubs prior to the ACTC meeting. The Secretary responded to say this was mainly due to the lateness of information being sent to him. It was decided that the Secretary must issue information 4 weeks before an ACTC meeting and thus such information must be with the Secretary 6 weeks prior to the meeting. Chris Phillips will add the final submission date to the ACTC Schedule.

Action: All clubs for submission of information. Chris Phillips for dates in the ACTC Schedule 15.2 The 2013 Ilkley Trial and particularly the problems with the Ilkley scrutineer were discussed. Simon Woodall stated that the 2013 Clerk of the Course, John Bell had presented a statement to the Ilkley club setting out his requirements for taking on the C of C position in 2014. He is awaiting a response from the Ilkley committee. It was generally agreed that the Ilkley Trial was a good event which the ACTC wanted to keep in the calendar but it must run to the accepted ACTC rules.

15.3 It was stated by L&NCMC that many trials cars were a long way from 'normal' road cars. This statement was left open for discussion at another meeting.

16. Date of the Next Meeting

16.1 Sunday 27 April 2014 at The Majors Retreat, Tormarton. (Usual venue).

All documentation & agenda items for this meeting to be with the secretary by 16th March 2014

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ACTC 2014 Schedule

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2014 Week No	2014 Dates	Event	Organising Club	ACTC Cars Champ 2014	ACTC Invite	Car and M/C Mail List	E-Regs?	Car Class 0?	Pouncy League 2014	Red Rose 2014
1	Fri 3 Jan	Exeter	MCC	Round 1	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 1	Round 1
2	Fri 4 Jan Sun 12 Jan	Exeter	MCC	Round 1	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 1	Round 1
3	Sun 19 Jan	Clee	MAC	Round 2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
4	Sun 26 Jan	Exmoor	North Devon MC	Round 3	Yes	Yes	Yes	103	Round 2	Round 2
5	Sun 2 Feb	Cotswold Clouds	Stroud MC	Round 4	Yes	Yes	Yes		itouna 2	itouna 2
		North Coast	Camel Vale		No	No	N/A			
6	Sun 9 Feb	Launceston	L&NCMC		No	No	N/A			
7	Sat 15 Feb	Northern	Fellside	Round 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Round 3	Round 3
		Exmoor Fringe Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 16 Feb									
8	Sun 23 Feb	Chairmans	Holsworthy		Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 4	Round 4
9	Sat 1 Mar	Derbyshire	VSCC							
	Sun 2 Mar	March Hare	Falcon MC		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
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13	Sun 30 Mar	Mothering Sunday	<u> </u>	,			. ,			
14	Sun 6 April	Kyrle	Ross & District	Round 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		
15	Sat 12 Apr	Scottish Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 13 Apr									
16	Fri 18 Apr	Land's End	MCC	Round 8	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 6	Round 6
	Sat 19 Apr	Land's End	MCC							
	Sun 20 Apr		0 11/1							
47	Mon 21 Apr	Presidents	Camel Vale							
17	Sun 27 April	ACTC Council Meeting			Yes	Yes	Yes			
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25	Sun 22 Jun									
26	Sun 29 Jun									
27	Sun 6 Jul	Testing Trial (TBC)	MCC							
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38	Sun 21 Sept	Taw & Torridge	Holsworthy	Round 10	Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 8	Round 8
39	Sun 28 Sept	Tarka	North Devon MC		Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 9	Round 9
40	Sat 4 Oct	Edinburgh	MCC	Round 11	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 10	Round 10
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46	Sun 16 Nov	Hardy	Woolbridge	Round 14	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Round 13	Round 13
47	Sat 22 Nov	Cotswold Trial	VSCC			<u> </u>				
48	Sun 30 Nov	Allen	BMC&LCC	Round 15	Yes	Yes	Yes			
		Neil Westcott	Exmoor MC						Round 14	Round 14
49	Sun 7 Dec	Camel Classic	Camel Vale	Round 16	Yes	Yes	Yes			
50	Sun 14 Dec									
51	Sun 21 Dec									
52	Sun 28 Dec	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		