



Minutes of the ACTC Council Meeting held at the Portcullis Inn, Tormarton on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2001

## PRESENT:

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Simon Woodall       | Chairman elect / VWOC                     |
| Andy Webb           | Vice Chairman elect                       |
| Andrew Brown        | Rights of Way / P.R.                      |
| Giles Greenslade    | Championship Secretary / North Devon M.C. |
| Barbara Selkirk     | Treasurer / VWOC                          |
| Adrian Tucker-Peake | Secretary                                 |
| Pat Toulmin         | Restart Editor                            |
| Roger Pole          | President / Holsworthy M.C.               |
| Alan Foster         | Vice President                            |
| Pete Hart           | Bristol Motor Club                        |
| Mark Tooth          | "   |
| Hans Viertel        | Camel Vale Motor Club                     |
| Mike Pearson        | Falcon Motor Club                         |
| Simon Robson        | "   |
| Martin Willis       | Fell Side Motor Club                      |
| Irene Willis        | "   |
| Terry Mattin        | Holsworthy Motor Club                     |
| Robin Moore         | Launceston & N. Cornwall M.C.             |
| Jonathan Toulmin    | Midland Automobile Club                   |
| Peter Chantler      | Motor Cycling Club                        |
| Mike Furse          | "   |
| Brian Osborn        | MG Car Club                               |
| Adrian Marfell      | Ross & District Motor Club                |
| Terry Coventry      | Stroud & District Motor Club              |
| Nigel Moss          | "   |
| Tim Whellock        | Windwhistle Motor Club                    |
| Sue Webb            | Woolbridge Motor Club                     |
| David Haizelden     | by invitation                             |

The meeting followed the draft agenda circulated on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2001.

#### 01/1 INTERIM CHAIRMAN

With the resignation and departure to Turkey of David Alderson, Simon Woodall took the chair as Vice Chairman.

#### 01/2 APOLOGIES

Received from: John Barthram, Gerald Burridge, Richard Dawe, Neil Forrest, Tom Goggin, Martyn Halliday, Dick Hutchins, Greg Warren and John West.

#### 01/3 MINUTES OF AGM (1<sup>st</sup> October 2000)

01/3/1 Roger Pole's name was inadvertently missed from the attendees list: this will be rectified and the minutes signed.

#### 01/4 MATTERS ARISING

01/4/1 See 01/8/2

01/4/2 Simon Woodall advised that as no club proposals for control of Cl. 8 developments had been received, this matter is now closed.

01/4/3 Giles Greenslade will include the AGM date in the Championship calendar once it has been chosen.

**ACTION: Giles Greenslade**

01/4/4 S.W. reminded delegates that the reference standard set of Supplementary Regulations continue to be available as required.

#### 01/5 ACTC CLUB MEMBERSHIP

01/5/1 Tim Whellock spoke for Windwhistle M.C. to support their application for membership. The fee has been paid and required background material provided. The Chard based club is about 100 strong, and looks forward to supporting or organising a classic trial in future.

Membership approval: - proposed: L.N.C.M.C.

- seconded: R.D.M.C.

Vote carried

No further request has been received from Morgan 3 Wheeler M.C.

#### 01/6 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

01/6/1 Roger Pole was returned as President, 'nem con'.

01/6/2 No additional nominations were made for Vice President

## 01/7 OFFICER ELECTIONS

01/7/1 With the resignation of the Chairman, the opportunity was taken to introduce more competing members to committee roles, and to avoid Simon Woodall's multiple duties

Roger Pole outlined candidates for each officer position as follows:

|                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Chairman           | Simon Woodall       |
| Vice Chairman      | Andy Webb           |
| Secretary          | Adrian Tucker-Peake |
| Treasurer          | Barbara Selkirk     |
| R.O.W./P.R.        | Andrew Brown        |
| Champ. Secretary   | Giles Greenslasde   |
| Cl. 7 Co-ordinator | Simon Robson        |
| Champ. Monitor     | David Haizelden     |

Officer elections: - proposed: M.A.C.  
- seconded: R.D.M.C.

Vote carried.

In addition, Mike Chatwin will take on responsibility for awards preparation and distribution.

## 01/8 FINANCIAL REPORT

01/8/1 Barbara Selkirk reviewed the financial data for the period ending 31/12/00 (Attach. 01/8/1A). Earnings had been on track to maintain adequate operating profit, though the situation would be difficult in 2001 with its shortage of events. There were no questions about the report.

01/8/2 The process for obtaining Limited Company status will be completed by end-June, and will reflect the changes of directors as elected in this meeting.

**ACTION: Barbara Selkirk**

## 01/9 MSA TRIALS COMMITTEE

01/9/1 Simon Woodall attended as the ACTC delegate, and reviewed material from the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May. (Attachment 01/9/1A). Council's discussion focussed on the requirement for PCT entrants to have an MOT certificate, seen by some clubs as a deterrent to new starters, or to those with old, rarely used cars. It is projected that the annual MOT fee is likely to rise to £70-80. However, the MSA viewpoint follows the need to maintain a minimum recognised standard of safety established by the MOT, arguing that the cost is more than offset by that of a tow vehicle and trailer.

01/9/2 The indemnity wording of the MSA standard signing on forms has been amended since first issue in January: the latest issue which must be used is available from the MSA's website: [www.msauk.org](http://www.msauk.org)

## 01/10 TECHNICAL MATTERS

01/10/1 Subject to accurate measurement of critical dimensions, the Liege will be transferred from Cl.8 to Cl.7.



## **ACTION: Simon Woodall & Simon Robson**

01/10/2 No further discussion has taken place regarding the 'Nigel Brown Allard'.

## **01/11 RIGHTS OF WAY REPORT**

01/11/1 Andrew Brown issued his report (Attachment 01/11A) which highlighted that the Countryside & R.O.W. Bill came into force as an Act in February. Alan Foster, Brian Osborn & Robin Moore pointed out that the legislation is leading towards establishment of regional Land Access Forums, and motor clubs should ensure that they have representation on these. Replies can be made through the LARA Newsletter No. 29. Such a body has existed for some time in Cornwall, where R.M. has represented ACTC at the Truro City Hall. Representation was considered by many delegates to be crucial, because classic trialling is little understood by other motoring bodies (trail riders, 4x4) and even less by other countryside users/ pressure groups.

### **ACTION: Clubs to establish representation**

A.B. to contact all delegates shortly to hasten the classification of all known 'RUPPS' as 'BOATS'.

### **ACTION: Andrew Brown**

## **01/12 TRIALS CALENDAR**

01/12/1 Giles Greenslade reviewed the calendar for 2001, pointing out the consequences of the Foot & Mouth epidemic on the viability of researching then running many events, from early in the season. Attachment 01/12/1A. Fell Side's event, postponed from March until 22 Sept., still looks unlikely, as is the Taw & Torridge. A decision by the MCC is due mid-June for the Edinburgh. SDMC's Ebworth is possible being held in a single, non agricultural venue.

01/12/2 G.G. then presented the sporting calendar for 2002, where attempts had been made to disperse the championship events. Attachment 01/12/2A. Additional requests were made by delegates, ie:

- SDMC 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Trial 11<sup>th</sup> May
- MCC and MAC Brooklands Centenary
- MCC and MAC Centenary Trial 28-30<sup>th</sup> May

### **ACTION: Giles Greenslade**

Brian Osborn noted a clash between MGCC's Kimber weekend and the MCC/MAC Brooklands event: these will appeal to similar groups, so the Kimber might be moved.

### **ACTION: Brian Osborn**

## **01/13 SCRUTINEERING CONTROL SYSTEM**

Andy Webb presented his final report (Attachment 01/13A) and was pleased to recommend the system which had worked well since being launched in 1998.

## **01/14 PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Andrew Brown presented his report (Attachment 01/14A). Discussion returned to the subject of 'public information' and understanding / exploiting the lobby style of groups such as the Ramblers Assn.

## 01/15 RESTART & WEBSITE

01/15/1 Pat Toulmin stated that despite the postponement of trialling, she will continue to publish Restart. The magazine's colour pages were well received and a new printer will yield even better quality. The magazine was a key part of the 2000 Classic Car Show stand: if Issue 3 proves rather lean on sporting reports, she will arrange a re-print of Issue 1. She re-iterated her on-going request for good colour action photos and particularly for contributors to support Issue 3 with interesting trials related articles.

P.T. has been approached by Charlotte Blight to consider the potential sharing of material and publicity with the MCC Triple magazine.

P.T. also requested that to avoid the Bank Holiday rush, it would help if the Council Meeting date could be brought forward by 1 week in future.

**ACTION: Adrian Tucker-Peake**

01/15/2 All were reminded that the standard entry form may be downloaded as a Word document.

Also, all were encouraged to access the FreeOnline server site, which is achieving high 'hit' statistics.

## 01/16 NON CHAMPIONSHIP BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

## 01/17 CHAMPIONSHIP REPORTS

01/17/1 Giles Greenslade raised some clubs' concerns about the viability of the championships if the season's calendar is severely curtailed. He referred to the championship rules, ie. 6.13: "if 5 or less events run, all results count". Consequently the smaller scale championship remains valid for 2001. Attachment 01/17/1A. Enquiries for registration have dried up of late.

01/17/2 Richard Dawe was absent, and his E-Mailed motorcycle championship report unfortunately illegible. However, it is included here as Attachment 01/17/2A

01/17/3 Andy Webb presented his final report for championship quality (Attachment 01/17/3A) covering 10 events and the MCC Reliability Trials.

Alan Foster proposed a vote of thanks to Andy for his 8 years' effort in establishing and developing the quality control activity, which proved very beneficial to both the enjoyment of the competitors and the success of the clubs.

Andy passed his good wishes to David Haizelden who will take up the role.

## 01/18 ANNUAL AWARDS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

01/18/1 Two trophies require attention, ie:

a) J.Maurice Toulmin, Enthusiast's Cup for 3<sup>rd</sup> in Crackington Cup needs re-plating



b) Crispin Fuller (Torbay M.C.) Sportsman's Trophy for 2<sup>nd</sup> in Navigator's League is an overloaded shield which ideally requires replacement via a donation from an interested club

**ACTION: Pete Hart to liaise with Mike Chatwin to quote for re-plating Clubs to offer new trophy**

#### 01/19 ANY OTHER NON-CHAMPIONSHIP BUSINESS

01/19/1 David Haizelden enquired about the prospects for resumption of the general trials season: classic trials mostly access agricultural land, for which MSA permits are not yet being issued, therefore road trials in Sept/Oct are unlikely.

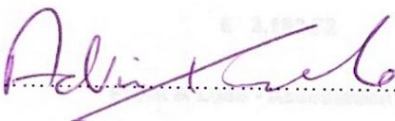
Tim Whellock pointed out that single venue events could be considered as replacements, but that the Association should not jeopardise its long term relationship with the farming community.

S.D.M.C. will be contacting the National Trust to determine the feasibility of running the single venue, non-agricultural based Ebworth Trial.

#### 01/20 DATE, TIME & PLACE OF 2001 AGM

14.00 on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September at the Portcullis Inn, unless another venue is advised.

Signed.....



Dated.....

30 June 2001



## Attachment 01/8/1A

REF:

### Balance Sheet - ACTC Classic Trials Clubs @ 31.12.2000

| RETAINED EARNINGS                      |          | 3,450.00          | ASSETS   |                  |
|--|----------|-------------------|--|------------------|
| Balances Brought Forward from 31.12.99 |          |                   | Trophies - donated                               | 1,101.00         |
| ACTC Accumulated Fund B/fd             | 292.35   |                   | General Secretary PC & printer-fully depreciated | 549.90           |
| ACTC Reserves Fund B/fd                | 1,000.00 |                   |  | =====            |
| 12 month Profit to 31.12.2000          | 1,311.37 |                   | Bank account                                     |                  |
| ACTC Reserves to 31.12.00              | 500.00   |                   | - Reserves in deposit account                    | 1,500.00         |
|  |          |                   | - Deposit account                                | 3,452.76         |
|  |          |                   | - Current accounts                               | 740.15           |
|  |          |                   | Restart Postage float paid to Editor             | 90.00            |
|  |          |                   | Accruals   |                  |
|  |          |                   | - Restart December print                         | -264.55          |
|  |          |                   | - Secretary expenses                             | -198.00          |
|  |          |                   | - Trophies                                       | -525.64          |
|  |          |                   | - Byways & Bridleways Trust                      | -40.00           |
|  |          |                   | 2001 Income in Advance                           | -1,651.00        |
| <b>Total</b>                           |          | <b>£ 3,103.72</b> | <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>£3,103.72</b> |

### Profit & Loss - Association of Classic Trials Clubs

For The 12 month Period to 31.12.00

|                                  |                 |   |                  |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|
| Income - Club Subscriptions      | 814.00          | Engraving & replicas                      | 585.64           |
| - Advertising Revenue            | 261.50          | Championship Printing & Photocopying      | 176.99           |
| - Championship contenders        | 3,543.00        | Championship Secretary printing etc       | 47.10            |
| - NEC Income                     | 48.56           | Championship Postage                      | 198.00           |
| Bank Interest                    | 2.61            | Restart, 4 issues                         | 1,037.05         |
|                                  |                 | Restart postage, 4 issues                 | 324.17           |
|                                  |                 | Webb site/PR                              | 176.25           |
|                                  |                 | ACTC Reserves                             | 500.00           |
|                                  |                 | RAC, ACU & Byways & Bridleways Trust subs | 66.00            |
|                                  |                 | Meeting Room Hire                         | 200.00           |
|                                  |                 | General Secretary postage & photocopying  | 47.10            |
| <b>Total Income</b>              | <b>4,669.67</b> | <b>Total expenditure</b>                  | <b>3,358.30</b>  |
| Prepared by Barbara Selkirk ACMA |                 | <b>Profit for the year to 31.12.00</b>    | <b>£1,311.37</b> |

## Attachment 01/9/1A

### Notes on the meeting of the MSA Trials Committee 8<sup>th</sup> May 2001

1) Rights of way

Much of what was said at this meeting was repeated in Andrew Browns submission to council Alan Foster suggested that the LARA document be circulated to the Regional Committee so that their membership is more aware LARA and the need for representation on the Local Access Forums identified in the document

2) Airbags

There is a degree of concern amongst the PCT fraternity that the rigours of trialling could result in the detonation of an airbag. It is a particular concern that if an airbag went off in the face of an unrestrained passenger, leaning forward, the result could be fatal. Julian Fack had discussed the problem with a representative of MIRA who pointed out that manufacturers do not officially approve of their cars being used in this type of 'sporting' manner and would therefore were unlikely to even issue any statement on the subject.

It was pointed out that even the disconnecting and reconnecting of airbags is a hazardous operation

3) M.o.T's

The committee received a request from Woolbridge to reconsider the rule requiring MoT's on PCT cars. Woolbridge felt that this was deterring potential entries. It was pointed out to the committee straight away, that in this day and age there was no way that a rule which reflected safety considerations was going to be removed. What was considered by the committee was the possibility, subject to further consideration, of replacing the MoT requirement with a document that confirmed that the car had passed certain safety criteria to MoT standard even if it had failed on less relevant issues such as emissions.

4) In the light of the F&M crisis the state of the various championships was considered. The MSA's view was that it was possible to have a championship based on as little as a single event. This in effect, is what the BTRDA do.

5) A questionnaire had been circulated around the MSA & BTRDA championship contenders regarding the future of PCT's, including questions on the format of events and the class structure. Amongst the popular suggestions was the inclusion of timed tests as tie deciders.

6) Attention was drawn to the fact that clubsport permits are to be expanded to allow up to 6 invited clubs.

Simon Woodall



## Attachment 01/13A

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Report for ACTC Meeting 20/5/01

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### Scrutineering Control System

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This system was devised after the ACTC 1998 AGM when the Championship Monitor "volunteered" to coordinate a database of competitors / vehicles which did not meet the requirements of the Blue Book. This was as a result of scrutineering problems on several events.

Feedback has been received and most clubs have found the scheme useful. It is imperative that scrutineers return the completed forms promptly in order that data can be modified and supplied in time for the next event which is often the following Sunday.

I did write an article for Restart this year about this system and as it produced zero comments I can only suppose that the scheme is accepted and supported, normally articles bring about criticism of one sort or another if people do not agree with them.

I changed the system slightly at the beginning of September by recommending clubs concentrate on particular items on individual events in order to reduce the scrutineer's lot a little! I tried to pick sensible topics and cycle them around according to our "Guidelines". An extra one is the general appearance of vehicles which I believe is improving and this can only benefit our sport in the future.

The new system seemed to work well although obviously this was not intended to limit the scrutineer to just these areas and I welcomed other comments.

Some clubs still complain of short notice of data supply but I am afraid this is dependent on the efficiency of the previous event. Perhaps my successor will have the time and enthusiasm to do more than one mail drop to the clubs per event as this appears to be the only remedy to this problem. It is particularly difficult with events running successive weeks and scrutineers who find it difficult to return the data in time. The additional problem is that I often do not have an address (or sometimes a name) for the scrutineer so have to post the data to the secretary of the meeting and therefore brings about a further delay before the scrutineer receives the data.

Most competitors have been cooperative and some items have been corrected in time for their next event. If 2 warnings have been issued and no action has been taken then I have suggested that the competitor be prevented from running in the next event (i.e. 3 warnings = no entry). Most items found by scrutineers have not been serious faults but obviously this scheme is improving the standard of vehicles entered.

All events have been involved in this scheme but unfortunately not all return the information.

I would urge clubs to support this scheme but understand the chore of additional paperwork.

Events that have contributed this year are:- Exmoor Clouds, Tamar, Tarka, Hardy, Allen, Camel Classic, Neil Westcott and Exmoor. Many thanks to the relevant organising clubs and scrutineers. Obviously many of the missing events were cancelled.

Only one event failed to return anything this year and as they didn't last year either I guess they are not keen on this system.

There was one event where the scrutineer found no infringements and another where only one vehicle was reported, I presume this means that the scheme is working!

I restarted the database at the beginning of September and currently there are 36 competitors entered onto the database. Of these I have only had 6 reported as cleared at subsequent events so 30 remain of which 1 is a motorcycle. 20 of the remainder were reported on the Exmoor (the last championship event to run) where the scrutineer seems to be particularly keen, consequently these competitors have had no chance to clear these items due to the lack of events. The database entry numbers are probably similar to last year taking into account the lack of events but the detected items appear to be of a less serious type than previously so I guess we are improving.

Common items are battery marking and security, isolated compartment, fuel lines, tyres and ballast security.

I feel we are still heading in the right direction without the need for any roadbooks, further certification etc. but just need a bit more prodding of those that don't quite meet the required standard.

At the end of the day it is all just common sense and a little bit of time and effort.

Thank- you all for your patience and support and may I offer my best wishes to my successor.

*Andy Webb*



## Championship Report – May 2001

Only two rounds have so far taken place due to the weather and the foot and mouth crisis.

The Exeter got the Championship off to a start, however the first casualty of 2001 was to come two weeks later when the Clee Hills was prevented from taking place due to heavy snow on the morning of the event.

The North Devon therefore became the second round of the Championship before the Foot and Mouth Crisis caused the suspension of all following events.

As of today three events have been cancelled in addition to the Clee Hills, and one has been postponed. Those that wont now run in 2001 are, the Lands End, the Exe Valley and Kyrle. The Fell Sides Northern Trial will hopefully take place in September.

There is provision in the Championship for it to run regardless of how few events take place, so there will be a Championship but we can only wait and see how many additional events will count this year.

Membership of the Championship is slightly increased this year for car competitors, but that is partially due to a number of motorcyclists joining as car competitors so as to continue receiving the regulations as well as Restart.

The numbers are however lower for Navigator registrations and Restart only registrations.

We have had a few enquiries since February, but very few new members, presumably because they are waiting to see what developments occur with the foot and mouth outbreak.

At the moment therefore we are in a position of waiting to see what transpires.



**Attachment 01/17/3A**

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**Report by the ACTC Championship Quality Controller on the 2000/01 Championship.**

Obviously people do not need me to remind them that this has been a much reduced year to report on due to the "Foot and Mouth" problems. Hopefully much of the problem is now behind us and we can look forward to a normal second half of this championship year.

I have now posted all reports to the respective clubs so anyone who has not received theirs (as long as their event ran) please contact me and I will re-send them.

According to my maths there are 10 events to report on (covering the period Sept 00 to May01) since my last report.

There has been one new event – the **North Devon MC Tarka Trial** which I was requested to observe although it was not applying for championship status.

I have also made a point of observing all of the MCC events as we now consider them for "Trial of the Year" award.

It was a great shame that in particular The Northern Trial was not permitted a second attempt due to the agricultural problems as I am sure they were looking forward to putting some of the feedback from last year to good effect.

Also Roger Ugalde's efforts to get the Silverton event back on the road under the guise of "The Crash Box and Classic Car Club" were slightly washed out as was the Stroud 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary event and Simon Woodall's attempts to revisit the Cleve Hills were snowed out – all in one year!! That of course is without mentioning all of this year's events since the Exmoor.

My sympathy goes to all of the organisers who have put in so much effort for no return – hopefully some of the effort can help towards next year's events.

The Torbay seems at the moment to be the only event that is lost without trace and if indeed it should reappear it would need to reapply for observation prior to acceptance as a championship event. The Exe Valley would I am sure have run this year if the weather had permitted and I look forward to its rebirth in 2001/2.

For the second year I have reported on the MCC events (this has not always met with the approval of the MCC) but I believe they now understand that we only have their interests and those of the sport at heart. It is only fair that if they are to be considered for the "Trial of the Year" award then they should be treated the same as the other championship events.

Unfortunately the Lands End was cancelled but the other two events are reported on.

**1. The Taw and Torridge 10/9/00(Holsworthy M.C.) (4 out of 4 reports returned)**

**Cars and Motorcycles**

After 2 very good years the event came in for some marshalling, recovery and PCT ish section comments. The first two I am sure the club will remedy very quickly whereas the PCT comments are a bit subjective and often appear on certain events. Overall no grave cause for concern for an event which has a stable place in the championship. The club however do not appear to support our Scrutineering monitoring system.

**2. The Exe Valley 17/9/00(Crash Box)**

**Cars and Motorcycles**

Cancelled due to weather conditions.

**3. The MCC Edinburgh Trial 6<sup>th</sup> October 2000 (3 out of 4 reports returned)**

This was the first time that I have observed the Edinburgh and there were various comments about route cards, marshals, cancelled sections and rough in places. We have all heard these comments before about this event but perhaps the MCC need to keep a watching brief on one of the most difficult events to organise but in my opinion one of the best events in our calendar.

**3. The Exmoor Clouds 15/10/00(Minehead M.C.) (3 out of 4 reports returned)**

**Cars and Motorcycles**

The usual rough, tough event affected greatly by the weather. There were as usual comments about marshalling and recovery as well as cancelled sections. Overall the event still came in for some very good marks if only some

The Allen as usual supplied excellent paperwork in plenty of time and the trial maintains its' excellent standards. It seems everyone loves it still!! What do other clubs have to do to be better than Bristol? My answer would be consistency – they consistently get everything right! This is exactly what I wrote last year and the only difference is that the scores are higher this year! No further comment.

**10. The Camel Classic      3/12/00(Camel Vale)      (2 out of 4 reports returned)**

**Cars Only**

Only 2 reports back but both very encouraging. It is a good event with excellent sections and this year was once again well organised. Minor comments about route card and having to reverse down sections!

**11. The MCC Exeter Trial    6/1/01      (3 out of 4 reports returned)**

**Cars and Motorcycles**

There was very little criticism to note and people seemed to prefer the early change of format and new hills. The timing and rest halt points made last year didn't reappear so the organisers must have taken the correct actions.

**12 The Clee Hills      21/1/01      (MAC)**

**Cars Only**

Event cancelled on the day due to snow – situation completely out of the control of the organisers and I am sure everyone believes the correct decision was made.

**13. The Exmoor      28/1/01      (North Devon)      (2 out of 4 reports returned)**

**Cars and Motorcycles**

A poor return on my reports due to last minute cancellations. Comments included scrutineering delays, restart positions and sections that were a bit easy (probably weather related) but generally a good event. The club is also very good at returning scrutineering info.

**14. The Kyrle      (Ross & DMC)**

**Cancelled**

**14. The Northern Classic      (Fell Side Auto Club)**

**Cancelled**

**15. The MCC Lands End Trial**

**Cancelled**



of the recovery and marshalling issues could be sorted it would be a regular contender for the Trial of the Year.

4. The Tamar 22/10/00 (Launceston & N Corn.) (3 out of 4 reports returned)

Cars and Motorcycles

A well run event with no real criticisms reported – not much more I can say from the data supplied.

5. The Tarka Trial 29/10/00 (North Devon M.C.) (3 out of 4 reports returned)

Cars and Motorcycles

The first year that this event has been observed and it gained very favorable comments. It appeared a good event that could easily become a part of the championship if the club wished. The only adverse comments applied to the route card and availability of marshals which I suspect the club already knew about.

The club also supported and were in favour of the scrutineering system continuing.

6. The Stroud 50th 10/11/00 (Stroud MC)

Cancelled due to weather conditions.

7. The Hardy 18/11/00 (Woolbridge M.C.) (5 out of 5 reports returned)

Cars and Motorcycles

Woolbridge tried a new format for the Millennium and the club's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary - it was met with mixed reactions. There were strong comments about the clubmans class and the club have already decided to drop that for next year. The new Devon sections attempted in the dark were liked although lack of marshals was an issue. Next year the event reverts to a one day format although including some of the "new" hills.

8. The Neil Westcott 26/11/00 (Exmoor M.C.) (3 out of 4 reports returned)

Motor Cycles only

The only "Bikes only" event observed this year.

This event was once again well liked by the bikes. There were comments about competitors starting out of order and some people being excluded for not keeping to the regulations. There were worries about abusing the goodwill of the landowners and I am sure the organisers will be keeping an eye on this.

9. The Allen 26/11/00 (Bristol M.C.) (4 out of 4 reports returned)

Cars Only

### Motorcycle Championship

Observers reports are still sent out to at least one competitor on dual (car / bike) events and 4 on the Neil Westcott. The bikers still seem to like our format and Richard Dawe is monitoring their thoughts on the championship and its rules and rounds.

### Quality Controller Comments

*Most clubs are now sending entry lists without prompting and some even send me results as well!! Some data turns up a bit late still but that does tend to be the exception nowadays.*

I have been pleased with the quality of reports this year, they have been very constructive and seem unbiased if there is such a thing!

The events themselves appear to have improved generally with no warnings required and no serious criticism. All events will continue in the championship and it is hoped that the ones that did not run this year will reappear next year.

There have been interesting comments about rough events and some that are "easy" being good in order to encourage new blood without frightening them off.

To complete my report, this may be my last attempt and if so I would like to thank all the competitors who have helped me over the last 8 years to carry out this job and also the organisers for running the events and mostly for taking the advice so well! The job has become easier over the years due to the fact that the events have improved so much – well done to the organising clubs.

That only remains for me to offer my best wishes to my successor and hope that he can bring some new ideas to this post for the future.

Thank –you

Andy Webb

SM

**A Meeting of the Council of ACTC will be held:  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2001 at 2.00 pm.  
At the Portcullis Inn, Tormarton (nr. M4 jn. 18)**

NB: delegates will be able to purchase lunch from approximately 12.30 pm, and tea will be provided at the meeting

**AGENDA**

1. **Interim Chairman**
2. **Apologies for absence**
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (AGM held 1 October 2000)
4. **Matters arising therefrom** (see action list below)
- ATP 5. **ACTC Club membership**
  - 5.1 To approve membership of Windwhistle Motor Club
- ADP 6. **To receive nominations and to elect:**
  - 6.1 President
  - 6.2 Vice Presidents (if any)
7. **To receive nominations to elect:**
  - 7.1 Chairman
  - 7.2 Other existing Officers
8. **Financial report – Barbara Selkirk**
  - 8.1 Report on income and expenditure and balance sheet for year ended 31.12.00
  - 8.2 Update on status of Company Limited by Guarantee
9. **To receive a report covering the MSA Trials Committee**
  - 9.1 Report
  - 9.2 Standard sign-on forms
10. **Technical matters – Simon Woodall**
- ADP 11. **Rights of Way report – Andrew Brown**
12. **Trials Calendar – Giles Greenslade**
  - 12.1 Necessary changes for 2001
  - 12.2 Calendar for 2002
13. **Scrutineering control system report – Andy Webb**



- 14. Public Relations report**
- 14.1 General – Andrew Brown
  - 14.2 NEC Show – Alun Lewis
- 15. Restart & Website report – Pat Toulmin**
- 16. Any other non Championship business**
- 17. Championship reports**
- 17.1 Cars – Giles Greenslade
  - 17.2 Motorcycles – Richard Dawe
  - 17.3 Quality – Andy Webb
- 18. Annual awards & Championships**
- 19. Any other Championship business**
- 20. Date, time & place of 2001 AGM.**

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#### ACTION LIST FROM OCTOBER 2000

- Limited Company EGM phrasing (B.S.)
- Class 8 proposals (clubs' submissions to S.W.)
- Council meeting dates in trials calendar (G.G.)
- Standardised S.R's with "TBA" box (S.W.)