

Association of classic trials clubs

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11th April 1989

Dear Sportsman

Council Meeting - Sunday, 7th May, 1989

I am pleased to enclose the Agenda for the Association's next Council meeting to be held on Sunday, 7th May, at the Bung Inn, Redhill, Wrington, near Bristol (MR. 172/513640) starting at 2.15 p.m. prompt.

Your attendance is extremely important since this will be our annual 'dates' meeting where our 1990 calender must be agreed. I hope we can avoid clashes and perhaps exhibit a slightly ~~higher degree of flexibility in the interest of our sport and full entries!~~ Since our A.G.M. last September, the matter of week numbering, raised by Launceston and N. Cornwall, has been put to R.A.C. M.S.A. and is being given consideration.

Since the classic trials season and first part of our 1989 championship year will have drawn to a close just two weeks prior to the meeting, there will no doubt be new and current issues fresh in the mind for discussion. In particular, the attached discussion document from Brian Cope on the allocation of extra awards to encourage standard car competitors will be debated, and your opinion should be aired.

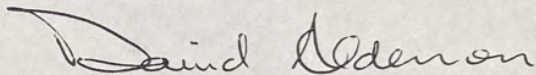
The letter from Stroud and District has been overtaken by events, for the club has decided it's excellent "Cotswold Clouds" trial must be withdrawn from the 1990 championship. Therefore this is another matter requiring our immediate attention in order to avoid repetition of these actions in other areas.

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I know that there are one or two rather contentious matters going the rounds at present, and no doubt opposing views will need to be given due consideration.

All in all, a busy meeting in prospect. I look forward to your support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David Alderson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

David Alderson.

ASSOCIATION OF CLASSIC TRIALS CLUBS

A Meeting of the Council of ACTC will be held on Sunday, May 7th, 1989, at 2.15 p.m. at the Bung Inn, Redhill, Wrington, near Bristol (MR. 172/513640).

DELEGATES WHO WISH TO PURCHASE LUNCH ARE REQUESTED BY THE INN MANAGEMENT TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 1.30 P.M. Tea will be provided at the meeting.

A G E N D A

Those people who's names are listed below are asked to submit written reports for circulation which will permit more time for discussion:

1. Apologies for Absence.
2. Minutes of previous meeting (AGM on September 4th, 1988)
3. Matters arising therefrom other than detailed later in the Agenda.
4. Financial Report -
Report on Income and Expenditure - Alan Foster
5. Dates for Classic Trials in 1990.
6. To receive a report from ACTC Delegates covering the work of the R.A.C. Trials and Cross Country Committee.
7. CHAMPIONSHIP REPORTS
 - (a) Report from Hon. Secretary of ACTC Championship, including review of number of contestants, and income and expenditure accounts - Jenny Yowden
 - (b) Report from Championship Scorer including review of new passengers' league - Simon Woodall
 - (c) Report from Championship Quality Controller including review of comments and advice given to organiser from Observers' reports. Recommendations concerning additions/deletions to Championship qualifiers. - Ken Green

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8. To receive a report from the Rights of Way Officer - Martin Halliday
9. (a) To consider proposals for changes in the Championships Awards system as described in C.B. Cope's Discussion Document dated 4th September, 1988. - C.B. Cope
- (b) To consider the implications of Stroud & District M.C. open letter to the Association.
10. To discuss the present structure of limited production car technical specifications in Class 7, and consider a proposal for some amendments for 1990.
11. Any other business.
12. Date, time and place of next meeting.

3rd Sept 89, Bury Inn - 2.15'

David Alderson
Hon. Secretary.

ACTC Championship

Judging by the steady increase in the number of registered contenders and by the increasing number of clubs wishing to have their events included, the ACTC Series must be an outstanding success. But you may have also noticed that we have witnessed a growth in the number of class 8 cars and a reduction in the number of production saloons, sports cars and pre-1941 cars which is tending to make the sport 'top-heavy'.

This document is intended to explore ways of redressing this balance to give additional incentive to drivers in these classes and is presented to delegates in the hope that they will discuss this issue at club level and return to the next ACTC Council meeting with views on the proposals listed below.

Option 1

At present we make our annual awards as follows

Wheelspin League

The first five drivers receive trophies

Crackington League

The first five drivers who do not receive trophies in the Wheelspin League receive trophies

The suggestion would be to increase the number of trophies available in the Crackington League so that

Wheelspin league

The first five drivers to receive trophies

Crackington League

The first ten drivers who do not receive trophies in the Wheelspin league receive trophies.

The questions you may wish to consider are whether you think this would encourage entries in the less popular classes and whether your Club would be prepared to donate/or subscribe to a suitable trophy? Perhaps you may have some variations on this theme to suggest?

Option 2

~~Recent changes in our points system no longer make it necessary to compete in the three long distance events run by the ACTC in order to secure sufficient points to win our Championships.~~ As a consequence, it is now possible that ex-NTF cars can be much more successful. Some people think that this is not a desirable feature if we are to avoid the problems which hit trialling in the 1930's. It is suggested that we should revert to the original scoring system which called for 66% of all qualifying rounds to score and for 100% of all bonus rounds to score. This then places additional emphasis on the 'long term reliability' aspects which, you will remember, were an integral part of our original philosophy.

Again you may have alternative suggestions in this area.