

**The Motor Cycling Club Limited**  
**(Founded 1901)**

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE and STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

**for the year ending 30th. November 2012**

**THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS of the**

**MOTOR CYCLING CLUB LIMITED will be held on**

**SATURDAY, JULY 20<sup>TH</sup> 2013 at 3.00 pm**

**MONKS YARD, HORTON CROSS, ILMINSTER,**

**SOMERSET**

**TA19 9PT**

*(at the intersection of the A358 and the A303, on the Chard exit;  
see also [www.themonksyard.co.uk](http://www.themonksyard.co.uk) for further location information)*

**AGENDA FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING**

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 14th. July 2012 at Monks Yard, Horton Cross**
- 3. Matters arising from these Minutes**
- 4. The Annual Financial Report and Statement of Accounts**
- 5. Election of Officers, to include appointment of new Hon. Treasurer.**
- 6. Election of Members of the Executive Committee**
- 7. Nomination of the outgoing Hon. Treasurer Peter Chantler Esq as Life Member**

**By order of the Executive;**

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**THE MOTOR CYCLING CLUB LTD****(Registered No.72702)***President: J. T. Laver**Vice-Presidents: J.R. Aley, R. Butcher, D. Thompson, T.J. Threlfall J. West, G. W. Woolcott,**Chairman: R.J. Peachey Vice Chairman: (Vacant)**General Secretary: P. G. F. Lawley Hon. Treasurer: P.D. Chantler Competition Secretary: R. J. Peachey**Membership Secretary: J Childs***EXECUTIVE**

L.W.N. Bowler	I Davis	R. Howell	T Keeling	B. E. Kirton	J. T. Laver
D. Sterry	T. Whellock	R.M. Ugalde	C. Walton	S. P. Woodall	

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH. NOVEMBER 2012:**

*To be submitted to the members at the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Monks Yard conference centre, Horton Cross, Ilminster, Somerset. 2012 saw the continuation of the Classic Trials. Thanks go to all those who arrange and support our events, and who take on other responsibilities as required in order to promote the activities of the Club. In the 2012 season, on-line entries for the main events began to be accepted, with the inevitable teething troubles being addressed as necessary.*

**THE 83<sup>rd</sup> EXETER TRIAL 6&7th. JANUARY 2012**

*333 competitors took part in the 2012 Exeter Trial including 68 in Class 0. Meerhay and Normans Hump were not included due to differing problems outside the control of the Clerk of the Course. Due to incidents Waterloo and Simms were cancelled for the car classes. Lashings of rain and high winds during the weeks before the trial gave way to unseasonal warm, calm and not particularly rainy weather on the night/day.*

*Awards: William Bray Cup Best Motorcycle - R. Tushingham; Austin Hannam Cup, Best Car - Nick Farmer; Spitfire Tropy (Spirit of the Event) Xanthia Petherick; Motorcycle Team Award - Llanroc Trio - S&B Eddy, D. J. Craddock, A Craddock; Best Car Team - Beetles About - N Butcher, H. Butcher & J. P. White.*

**THE 90th LANDS END TRIAL 6&7th APRIL 2012** *An excellent entry of 379 and an eventful Lands End. Started with a report that a solo motorcyclist was carrying a pillion passenger, then continued with dense fog on Exmoor with many competitors missing the County Gate Holding Control. Darracot was very rough, and there was an injury involving a motorcycle sidecar passenger, and an RTA involving a competitor but fortunately no serious injuries, another minor collision involving two competitors, long delays on Warleggan when a car's rear suspensions collapsed in the narrow part, results on an observed test had to be cancelled due to the layout of the test being altered, Blue Hills 2 had been 'doctored' to the extent that it was deemed unsafe for spectators and marshals with loosened stones and rocks flying from the driven wheels of vehicles, so the decision was made to cancel the section for the sidecar outfit classes, with problems with observers' cards resulting in provisional results having to be re-calculated and re-issued.*

*The Field Trophy for Best Motorcycle was awarded to No.13 R. Creedy (tied with No.5 D. J Craddock, but won by having a smaller capacity engine), and the Field Trophy for Best Car to No.298 D. Sterry.*

*The Walton/Bonwick Award for best British Sidecar was awarded to No. 21 L & J Torres.*

**TESTING TRIAL 2012**

*Held on the 10th July at Westfield Farm, Keinton Mandeville by the kind permission of the landowner, John Sutton, the 25th Testing Trial attracted an entry of 25 solos and sidecars together with 40 cars. Competitors tackled twelve tests over six round. The weather on the day only added to the enjoyment of the event, but was in sharp contrast to the day before with four hours of torrential rain nearly causing cancellation at the last moment. The class winners were Dave Craddock, Triumph Metisse the best solo, Simon Eddy, Honda XR, the best of the sidecars, Duncan Welch, Austin Mini heading the closed car class and Nick Farmer, Cannon Alfa, the best of those in open cars. The overall winner was Steve Urell, Aprilia Wasp sidecar, whose passenger Julie Williams picked up the best passenger award. For a second year there was an award for regularity regardless of individual test performance which was won by Peter Adams, Triumph Cox Bonneville sidecar with a total time error over the six rounds of just 17 49 seconds.*

**THE 88th EDINBURGH TRIAL 6th. OCTOBER 2012** *Good weather on the day, earlier rain over the preceding days led to very difficult conditions. Good range of sections, too many restarts, Putwell too rough, Bamford still rough, but remaining the centre piece of the Trial. An unexpectedly high failure rate on Calton, Excelsior and Clough Wood compounded earlier delays, which lead to excessive lateness. Generally reported as a good demanding trial. The Lowe Award for Best Motorcycle was awarded to no.27 A. Craddock, and the John Tucker-Peake Cup for Best Car to No.146 S. Holmes*

**ANNUAL AWARDS: BADDELEY AWARDS for best performance overall in the Three Classic Trials:**

*Motorcycle D J Craddock (Triumph Metisse 750cc); Car J P White (VW Beetle)*

**TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS:** *Motorcycle: Llanwroc Trio - A. Craddock, D. Craddock, and S&D. Eddy.*

*Car: Billy Goats Gruff - D. Sterry, E. Wall and D. Welch*

**TRIPLE AWARDS:** *Motorcycles - Nil award; and only one Triple award to a car competitor, J P White*

**TRIO award (Class 0)** *Car awards were made to R W Andrews, P Hilson and A Isherwood*

**BRITISH MOTORCYCLE AWARD:** *Dave Craddock 750 Triumph Metisse*

**PUBLICITY** *Three full entries of the club magazine 'Triple' were produced, with thanks to Celia Walton, Editor, together with regular weekly and monthly newsletters, distributed now by email on request, as well as by post to members by the diligence of John Aley, and with the assistance of Simon Woodall. The Club website has also been much improved thanks to the combined work of Andrew Brown and Simon Woodall.*

**FINANCIAL REPORT** The Club made a small trading loss this year, in part due to costs of implementing the on-line entry system, substantially increased postal costs of the general mailings and essential section repairs. Club subscriptions will remain the same, but it is inevitable that Trial entry fees will have to increase in the coming year. The Executive tender their thanks and appreciation to the Membership, to members of individual Motor and Motorcycling Clubs, Police Forces, Landowners, Local Authorities and the statutory motoring organisations, together with hotel and garage proprietors in all parts of the country, together with all volunteer marshals and officials, without whose help and assistance our events could not take place.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, all the Officers retire, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election

*Chairman:* R. J. Peachey *Vice Chairman:* **Vacant**

*General Secretary:* P.G. F. Lawley

*Hon Treasurer:* P.D. Chantler

*Competition Secretary:* R.J. Peachey

*Membership Secretary:* J. Childs

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

In accordance with the Articles of Association, one third of the remaining executive retire by rotation, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election - *Mr. Roger Ugalde, Mrs. Celia Walton*. Those members co-opted during 2012 also offer themselves for election

**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2012**

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>				
Subscriptions	20385		21683	
Profit on Regalia Sales	19		29	
Social Events	251		1010	
Competition Fees	67688		61854	
	-----	88343	-----	84576
<b>COMPETITION EXPENSES</b>				
Event Authorisation & Insurance	22571		19295	
Printing & Stationery	8104		8920	
Postage	3625		3036	
Competition Organisation	16947		15647	
Awards	13110		12763	
Hill Repairs	927		446	
On-Line Entry Operating Charges	1724		-	
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	67008		60107	
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<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Printing, Postage & Stationery	3251		3952	
Triple & Newsletters	7595		7600	
Affiliations	679		630	
Insurance	1955		1850	
General Expenses	6805		5667	
Accountancy	514		604	
Investment Fees and Commission	3275		-	
Depreciation	3156		1129	
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	27230		21432	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	-----	94238	-----	81539
		-----		-----
<b>NET PROFIT/ (LOSS)</b>		( 5895)		3049
Investment Income	1273		12	
Surplus on disposal of investments	1550		17012	
	-----	2823	-----	17024
		-----		-----
		( 3072)		20061
<b>TAXATION</b>		( 355)		( 624)
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<b>NET PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION</b>		( 3427)		19437
<b>ACCUMULATED PROFITS</b>				
Brought Forward		102032		82595
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Carried Forward		98605		102032
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**THE MOTOR CYCLING CLUB LIMITED**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2012**

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
<b>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Freehold Property At Cost		6408		6408
Leasehold Property At Cost	5282		5282	
Aggregate Depreciation	2122		1962	
	-----	3160	-----	3320
Equipment At Cost	23868		16651	
Aggregate Depreciation	14167		11171	
	-----	9701	-----	5480
Investments At Cost		98537		98989
Market Value £107298 (2012)				
£ 98645 (2011)				
		-----		-----
		117806		114197
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors	11080		10123	
Cash at Bank and in Hand	60173		61792	
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	71253		71915	
	-----		-----	
<b>CREDITORS</b>				
Amounts falling due within one year				
Sundry Creditors	8819		9432	
Amounts Received in Advance	46653		39648	
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	55454		49080	
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<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		15799		22835
		-----		-----
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		133605		137032
		=====		=====
<b>REVENUE RESERVES</b>				
Profit & Loss Account		98605		102032
Terry Hall Memorial Fund		35000		35000
		-----		-----
		133605		137032
		=====		=====

In approving these financial statements, the directors confirm that the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by S477 of the Companies Act 2006, and that no notice has been deposited pursuant to S476 requesting an audit to be conducted for the year ended 30 November 2010. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with S386 and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of S393 which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) relating to small companies.

(signed) P D Chantler (Director)

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

1. The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. The amount of the guarantee is 25p.
2. Accounting Policies. The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.  
 Depreciation is calculated to provide for the full cost or valuation of the assets over their expected life. The rates used are 15% reducing balance method for equipment, straight-line method over 30 years for leasehold property and 33% straight line for computer software.
3. The accounts reproduced here are extracts from the formal statutory accounts, which are available on request.

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Monks Yard, Horton Cross, Ilminster, Somerset on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at 3pm**

**Present:** R J Peachey (Chairman), Jonathan Laver (President), Ron Butcher (Acting as Treasurer) and 24 members.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed those present, thanked them for their attendance and then handed over the running of the meeting to the president, who thanked the chairman, welcomed those attending before moving on to the Agenda.

**1 Apologies for absence** were received from Peter Lawley, Andrew Brown, Dudley Sterry, Peter Chantler (recovering from an operation), Jeremy Nightingale, John Aley, Stephen Bailey, Gerry Woolcott, Roy Newton, Simon Woodall, Pam Doby, Bill Roston, Brian Galbraith, and the Cophorne family ( Brian, Debbie and Mark ).

**2 Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at Monks Yard, Ilminster.** Approval of the minutes was proposed by Tim Keeling and seconded by Les Bowler.

### **3 Matters Arising:**

Jonathan Laver pointed out that resulting from last years meeting the following have been implemented.

Postage costs have benefited from online communications

Family membership – This is to be introduced in 2013

Young drivers – At the Testing Trial last weekend a young drivers' award was given.

Electronic entries – Online entry is now available

Rod Bracey's safety issue – this was proved effective as the plan was swung into action by the Exeter team following an incident at Sims, and went very well.

### **4 The Annual Financial Report and Statement of Accounts.**

These had been circulated with the Agenda papers, Ron asked for any comments and with none forthcoming they were accepted Proposed by Roger Ugalde and Seconded by John Childs.

### **5 Election of Officers of the club – Due to retire up for re-election.**

Dick Peachey, Peter Lawley, Peter Chantler, John Childs, all were proposed for re-election by Celia Walton and seconded by Dave Parry a unanimous vote in favour was received.

**6 Election of Executive Officers of the club – One third due to retire by rotation, these being Tim Keeling and Barrie Kirton, re-election proposed by Les Bowler and seconded by Dave Parry a unanimous vote in favour was received.**

This concluded the formal part of the meeting

## **Notes on informal discussion following the Annual General Meeting**

Jonathan Laver wanted to thank the 4 clerks of the courses and their teams for all their efforts in putting on our events.

Proposed Roger Ugalde that Bill Roston is co-opted onto the executive this year and becomes a full member next year

Publicity leaflet, Dick requested all present take some and spread around where possible. Thanks to Tim Whellock for his efforts to produce this leaflet.

John Childs noted membership has remained static for the last 2 years but is down 100 on 3 years ago.

Rick Howell wondered if it was possible to set up a forum for the club on the net, thought possibility in future but not immediately as still teething problems with online entries. There are some very successful forums already on the net e.g. Petrol Heads and the Bantam club, possibly the way of the future. Needs monitoring as could be detrimental, but also the club needs to be able to accept constructive criticism. Would need to be set up and would require a volunteer for this. Classical Gas already used by many members with like minded people expressing views.

NOTW is good and both could run in parallel as they would compliment each other.

MCC felt by some members to be too arrogant and some marshals have been upset and are reluctant to marshal in future.

Hoskins results incorrect – now sorted

Closing car too keen to collect results felt by some marshals to be a bit terse.

Felt by some members that events are too expensive compared with costs of 1 day events. Was noted that sections cost approximately £1 per head to use and a lot of sections require payment in order to use. A third of the money taken for each event goes on the necessary licences.

There is no intention to upset people but although the club appears to be in a good financial position this could easily change e.g. if events have to be cancelled at short notice due to weather or outside influences like the foot and mouth outbreak, it is also cheaper to put on a 1 day or single venue event.

Explanations were given for the cancellation of Blue Hills for certain classes.

The closing car noted that often paperwork is incorrectly filled in or marshals have not signed on prior to starting and that they are always running against the clock. It is a recognised problem of people not signing on or correctly filling in paperwork.

There can be difficulty in making marshals feel part of a team and some teams

get very set in their ways. It is however recognised that all are volunteers and everybody can make mistakes.

Safety fences for Blue Hills to be utilised in future years.

Queried if chief marshals could please receive a set of results when the competitors first mailing is sent out, this used to happen but no longer does.

Simms Medal – there was a request from both stewards of the Exeter trial and a competitor whether this award could this be reinstated as it would give recognition of when it is a difficult year, would this be for both outfits and cars? Pre war this hill was much easier. Felt there would need to be a cut off point for numbers of medals awarded. These medals are historical and originally were given by a wealthy businessman.

Queries were raised where the MCC is going, not aimed at either extreme but tries to hit middle ground for both main event and class O, the competitive classes are dropping away and class O is increasing.

It was refuted that Crackington was doctored too much this year and felt that it was fair.

There being no other business or questions the informal discussion was closed by the Chairman at 4.30 pm and adjourned to the refreshments provided by the venue.