

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

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

**for the year ending 30th. November 2013**

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

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

**SATURDAY, JULY 19<sup>TH</sup> 2014 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 20th. July 2013 at Monks Yard, Horton Cross**
- 3. Matters arising from these Minutes**
- 4. The Annual Financial Report and Statement of Accounts, and appointment of auditor for the ensuing year.**
- 5. Election of Officers, noting change of General Secretary from January 2015**
- 6. Election of Members of the Executive Committee**

**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: B. Selkirk Competition Secretary: R. J. Peachey**Membership Secretary: J Childs Minutes Secretary L. Neale***EXECUTIVE**

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

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH. NOVEMBER 2013:**

*To be submitted to the members at the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Monks Yard conference centre, Horton Cross, Ilminster, Somerset. 2013 saw the continuation of the Classic Trials and the inclusion of a Road Trial held in mid-Wales. 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 2013 season, on-line entries for the main events continued with the inevitable teething troubles being addressed as necessary.*

*A Results Team was also raised by Simon Woodall, and given training in results' compilation on-line, and continues to learn and improve performance as experience is gained.*

**THE 84th EXETER TRIAL 3&4th. JANUARY 2013** *The Exeter Trial 2013 was the third event to 'trial' the new MCC on line entry system. The organising team welcomed the frequent access the system allowed to the entry list as it filled up with 329 entries - 76 solo motorcycles, 13 sidecars, one threewheeler and 160 cars. Class 0 attracted 79 entries. The weather in the weeks leading up to the event caused us much anxiety, sections were washed out and three trees blown across the route but all these difficulties were resolved and the weather on the night and day of the Trial was kind. The event was again well received by the competitors. Of the 328 motorcycles and cars entered, 290 started and 237 finished. The club supper and annual awards presentation was held in the evening after the trial at the Trecarn Hotel, Babbacombe, Torquay.*

*William Bray Cup for best motorcycle: I.C Burton & G. O'Shaugnessy o/t 42.6*

*Austin Hannam Cup for best car: N.J. Farmer 48.7*

*Spitfire Trophy D.Cole no. 88 for perseverance, and spirit of the event.*

**THE 91st LANDS END TRIAL 29th. & 30th. March 2013** *This was the first event with joint Clerks of the Course, Roger Ugalde being the outgoing, shadowing and assisting Bill Rosten the incoming. The format of the trial was similar to 2012 and with the tweaks to the control at Barbrook, the event ran very smoothly but special thanks must go to the Crash Box Club marshals at Warleggan who managed to manhandle a car with collapsed rear suspension out of the section, the delay was a much better option than cancelling the section.*

*Conditions were dry and sections thought too easy and the trial was expected to diminish the stock of gold medals but the organisers were very happy with only 40 being awarded.*

*Many congratulations to the Class winners and especially Simon and Debby Eddy on their Honda outfit and Nick Farmer in the Cannon on winning the Field Trophies.*

*The Walton/Bonwick Award for best performance by a British Sidecar outfit went to P&S Adams (Triumph Bonneville 740cc)*

**THE WELSH ROAD TRIAL 29TH. June 2013 Stuart Harrold Clerk of Course** *It was to be a one day road trial based on the Metropole Hotel, Llandrindod Wells on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2013. The Road Trial was to be all on sealed surfaces and a scenic tour with timing and tests to make it mildly competitive and open to two, three and four wheels. The route of around 130 miles circled Llandrindod Wells in a clockwise direction and I arranged five Restarts, two Regularity sections and a Special Test. The trial was held together by Timing check points. The after trial 'club supper' was very good and a fine way to end a good event.*

**TESTING TRIAL 14th. July 2013** *Held at our usual venue of Westfield Farm, Keinton Mandeville with the kind permission of the landowner John Sutton the 26th Testing Trial attracted an entry of 26 solos and sidecars together with 50 cars. Competitors tackled a total of 55 tests, 5 rounds of 11 assorted tests, all against the clock to establish the winners. The weather was superb on the day, almost too good for the marshals who valiantly remained at their posts all day despite the intense sunshine and total lack of shade! The class winners were Dave Craddock, Yamaha, the best solo, Ian Burton/Gary O'Shaugnessy, Honda XR, the best sidecar, Mark Hoppe in a Nissan Micra coming out on top in the closed cars and Nick Farmer, Cannon Alfa, topping the open car entry. The overall winner was Duncan Welch with his Austin Mini and the Regularity Award, regardless of individual test performance was won by Steve Urell/Julie Williams, Aprilia Wasp with a total time error over 55 tests of just 5.45 seconds.*

**THE 89th EDINBURGH TRIAL 5th. OCTOBER 2013** *This year, Litton Slack was once again able to be used, thanks to successful negotiation with the authorities, although Bamford Clough was ruled out when a High Tension part-buried power cable was discovered, hitherto unknown to DCC and the power authorities. Two potentially serious accidents in quick succession at Dudwood led to cancellation of the section, but overall all went well.*

*The Lowe Award for best Motor Cycle went to D. Haste, and the John Tucker-Peake Cup for best car to L. Keat*

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

*Motorcycle: D J Craddock (Triumph Metisse 750cc). Car: J D Lack (Liege).*

**TRIPLE AWARDS:** *Motorcycle (1): D J Craddock, as above; and Car (1): J D Lack, also as above*

**TRIO AWARD: (Class 0) Car (1): R Ellingham**

**TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS:** *Motorcycle Team: Southern Softies - D Haste, P Lloyd-Jacob, A Ross.*

*Car Team: Trickle Grunt and Waft - D Bolt, R Bricknell, L Keat.*

**BRITISH MOTORCYCLE AWARD: P Lloyd-Jacob (Triumph T100 500cc)**

**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 trading loss this year of £8,777 due to a large increase in hill repair costs, a £3,000 LARA donation, online entry system costs & increases in Event authorisations/insurance costs. However, it is recommended 2015 Club subscriptions will remain the same except for Family membership which will move to £8 (from £5). 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 (**to January 2105 only**)    *Hon Treasurer:* B. Selkirk

*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 - Dudley Sterry, John West, Tim Whellock, Simon Woodall. Those members co-opted during 2013 also offer themselves for election

### REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2013

	2012		2013	
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>				
Subscriptions	20,385		22,680	
Profit on Regalia Sales	19		281	
Social Events	251		186	
Competition Fees	67,688		67,473	
	-----	88,343	-----	90,820
<b>COMPETITION EXPENSES</b>				
Event Authorisation & Insurance	22,571		26,385	
Printing & Stationery	8,104		8,238	
Postage	3,625		1,994	
Competition Organisation	16,947		17,312	
Awards	13,110		13,020	
Hill Repairs	927		8,838	
On-Line Entry Operating Charges	1,724		4,921	
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	67,008		80,709	
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<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Printing, Postage & Stationery	3,251		3,373	
Triple & Newsletters	7,595		6,328	
Affiliations inc LARA	679		3,629	
Insurance	1,955		2,028	
General Expenses	6,805		7,577	
Accountancy	514		780	
Investment Fees and Commission	3,275		453	
Depreciation	3,156		2,960	
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	27,230		27,128	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	-----	94,238	-----	107,707
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<b>NET PROFIT/ (LOSS)</b>		( 5,895)		(17,717)
Investment Income	1,273		6,489	
Surplus on disposal of investments	1,550		2,033	
	-----	2,823	-----	8,522
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		( 3,072)		(8,565) )
<b>TAXATION</b>		( 355)		( 312)
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<b>NET PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION</b>		( 3,427)		(8,695)
<b>ACCUMULATED PROFITS</b>				
Brought Forward		102,032		98,605
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Carried Forward		<u>98,605</u>		<u>89,598</u>

**THE MOTOR CYCLING CLUB LIMITED**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

	2012		2013	
	£	£	£	£
<b>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Freehold Property At Cost		6,408		6,408
Leasehold Property At Cost	5,282		5,282	
Aggregate Depreciation	2,122		2,282	
	-----	3,160	-----	3,000
Equipment At Cost	23,868		20,608	
Aggregate Depreciation	14,167		13,792	
	-----	9,701	-----	6,636
Gold Cup Donated	27,200		27,200	
Aggregate Depreciation	27,200	-	27,200	
	-----	9,701	-----	-
Investments At Cost		98,537		98,537
Market Value	£104,492 (2013)			
	£107,298 (2012)			
	£ 98,645 (2011)	-----	-----	
		117,806		114,581
 <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors	11,080		10,191	
Cash at Bank and in Hand	60,173		61,153	
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	71,253		71,344	
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 <b>CREDITORS</b>				
Amounts falling due within one year				
Sundry Creditors	8,819		19,150	
Amounts Received in Advance	46,653		42,047	
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	55,454		61,197	
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 <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		15,799		10,197
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<b>NET ASSETS</b>		133,605		124,728
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 <b>REVENUE RESERVES</b>				
Profit & Loss Account		98,605		89,598
Terry Hall Memorial Fund		35,000		35,000
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		133,605		124,598
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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 2013. 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) B A Selkirk (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 20<sup>th</sup> July 2013 at 3pm**

**Present:** R J Peachey (Chairman), Jonathan Laver (President), Peter Chantler (Treasurer), The Revd. Peter Lawley (General Secretary and 20 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** John Aley, David Bache, Ron Butcher, Pat Morgan, Roy Newton, Jeremy Nightingale, Peter & Maralyn Knight, Dave Parry, Bill Rosten, Duncan Stephens, Dudley Sterry, Roger & Caroline Ugalde, Celia Walton, Gerry Woolcott, Ann Whellock.

**2 Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at Monks Yard, Ilminster.** Approval of the Minutes was proposed by Tim Keeling, and Seconded by Robin Moore and passed nem. con.

**3 Matters Arising:** Crackington section: Jonathan Laver reported on alleged 'doctoring' of the section this year.

Simms Medal: The Executive had considered, but concluded not to re-introduce an award for the hill.

Event costs: these would be published in an edition of Triple.

### **4 The Annual Financial Report and Statement of Accounts to 30.11.12**

These had been circulated with the Annual Report and the auditor M W Burrough & co were thanked. Peter Chantler commented on various aspects of the results for the past year.

The proposal to accept the accounts was made by Simon Woodall, and seconded by John Childs, and approved nem.con

**5 Election of Officers of the club** – Due to retire and offering themselves for re-election were Dick Peachey (Chairman) Peter Lawley,(General Secretary and John Childs (Membership Secretary). In addition, Ms. Barbara Selkirk was proposed as Hon Treasurer & Company Secretary to replace Peter Chantler, who was standing down.

Barbara Selkirk proposed accountants BSW Accountancy Services to produce the 30.11.13 accounts.

All proposed by Tim Whellock, and seconded by Simon Woodall, and agreed nem.com

**6 Election of Executive Members of the club** – One third due to retire by rotation, these being Roger Ugalde and Celia Walton, re-election proposed by Simon Woodall and seconded by Paul Brooks, and approved nem.con. In addition Bill Rosten was elected to the Executive, proposed by Tim Whellock and seconded by Barrie Kirton, and approved unanimously.

**7. Proposal of Peter Chantler as Life Member.** Following his lengthy service to the Club and its Limited Company as Treasurer and Company Secretary, it was proposed by Barrie Kirton that Peter Chantler be appointed Life Member of the Club, seconded by Rodney Bracey, and approved unanimously by all those present, to acclaim.

The President thanked Committee Members and their partners for their support for the club, and handed over the conduct of the remaining part of the meeting to the Chairman.

This concluded the formal part of the meeting at 3.15pm.

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

The Chairman explained that the annual Testing would be 25 years old and asked if anyone else would be interested in taking on the event?

Perhaps a change of venue might be considered, Sutcombe Mill on the Cornwall and Devon border might be a possibility ?

The recent Welsh Road Trial, held as a weekend event had been very popular; could the Testing Trial be seen in the same light, and moved into the main summer holiday period in order to encourage more family participation.

The question of a Welsh Road Trial in 2014 was raised. There was a general feeling that it had been a very good event, but that perhaps more Class structure needed to be introduced.

There was some question as to whether it was a social event, or a more competitive event?

It was unfair to expect some cars to achieve the same results without a defined Class structure. The Club has always tried to ensure a level playing field. Some fine tuning would be required.

The Welsh Trial also raised the issue about how content the wider membership were with the main events. There had been only 120 entries for the forthcoming Edinburgh Trial to date, and Marshalling continued to be an issue.

Robin Moore asked if the Committee would re-consider the awarding of Triple - reverting to 3 continuous Triple awards, and not simply limiting Triples to one event 'year'. If you did not get a Gold award in both the Exeter and Lands End Trials, you may not bother to enter the Edinburgh.

There was a threat of a TRO on Bamford Clough to prevent unauthorised use, and Paul Brooks considered that for some, the Edinburgh was too distant for what amounted to a one-day event.

The Peak District National Park authority was being difficult, and in comparison with Devon and Cornish authorities, Natural England was also very difficult to persuade, whilst in contrast, Derbyshire County Council had a good working relationship with the Club and on the whole were very welcoming.

The question was raised, in view of the popularity of the Welsh Road Trial, and various centenary events, whether or not a regular tarmac-only event would be feasible, or is the core membership only interested in 'mud plugging' ?

Rod Bracey raised once more the difficulty over marshalling, both in recruitment and training. The training and briefing sessions led by the Exeter Team had proved successful, could that model be expanded geographically in relation to the other events?

Non-members are perfectly able to be marshals, but need to understand the Club's 'ethos'.

The Executive should encourage other Clerks' of Course to develop their own training schemes.

Perhaps there should be an overall post of 'Marshal Secretary' created ?

Tim Keeling questioned whether or not the Welsh Road Trial was a competitive or social event? Whilst the aim of the event was not to require sump guards of MT43 Trials tyres, there were parts and sections which were too narrow for some vehicles.

There being no other business for discussion or questions from the floor, the informal discussion was closed by the Chairman at 4.35 pm, and adjourned to the refreshments provided by the venue.