

The Motor Cycling Club Limited
(Founded 1901)

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE and STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
for the year ending 30th. November 2014
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS of the
MOTOR CYCLING CLUB LIMITED will be held on
SATURDAY, 18th July 2015 at 3.00 pm at
SHINFIELD VILLAGE HALL, SHINFIELD, BERKSHIRE, RG2 9EH

AGENDA FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 19th July 2014 at Monks Yard, Horton Cross, nr. Taunton.**
- 3. Matters arising from these Minutes.**
- 4. Resolutions.**
- 5. The Annual Financial Report and Statement of Accounts.**
- 6. Report of the Membership Secretary.**
- 7. Election of Officers.**
- 8. Election of Members of the Executive Committee.**

By order of the Executive;

T. W. Keeling, Jacobs Ladder, Queen Street, Keinton Mandeville, TA11 6EG

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,

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. W. Keeling	B. E. Kirton	B. Rosten
D. Sterry	R. M. Ugalde	C. Walton	T. J. Whellock	S. P. Woodall

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th. NOVEMBER 2014:

To be submitted to the members at the Annual General Meeting to be held at Shinfield Village Hall on Saturday 18th July 2015. 2015 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.

THE 85th EXETER TRIAL 3rd & 4th JANUARY 2014. The 2014 Exeter Trial will probably go down in history as the wettest on record. The Clerk of the Course held his nerve and the trial went ahead in torrential downpours and flooded roads. The first section, Classic Canes, a new one for everyone except Class 0, created a bit of official delay which had been allowed for in the

schedule so everyone arrived at Crealy Park breakfast venue back on time. The new night time section for Class 0, Redscrip, to replace Underdown 2, was a success. An entry of 315 competitors and a higher than usual (109) number of non starters and retirements, possibly due to the extreme wet weather conditions. Working parties repaired Tipley, Tillerton and Simms. S Urell and J Williams won the William Bray trophy on their Aprilia Wasp sidecar, Dave Wall won the Austin Hannam cup in his Dellow and R Lees was awarded the Spitfire Trophy for meritorious performance on his Triumph Tiger Cub. Of the 73 competitors in Class 0, 12 won a Tin medal and 12 won a Copper Medal. The Club Supper and Annual Awards Presentation was held in the evening after the trial at the Trecarn Hotel, Babbacombe.

THE 92nd LANDS END TRIAL 18th & 19th APRIL 2014. There was no rain in the 3 weeks leading to Easter, the sections being in the driest condition. Torrential rain on Easter Sunday, if it had come a little earlier, would have made a difference! Riverton was reintroduced in the main trial by the new C of C after costly repair work. The Class O trial gained Hangman's Hill, Sherwood & Orange, all previously used in the Land's End in years past. There was a new (old) route, avoiding the tedious A39 by going through Great Torrington. The weather was cold and dry, helping the running of the trial for the new team. The old team were really helpful in giving their expertise, Dave Parry staying on as Secretary to help us. There was a small increase in entries, up to 343, 282 in the main trial and 61 in Class O. Most competitors and officials enjoyed it and the dry conditions led to an increase in medals awarded with 53 golds in addition to the class win and 17 tin medals. The Field trophies went to L Torres/M Courtney & I Cundy.

TESTING TRIAL 13th July 2014. The event had a good entry of 80 competitors and was once again held in Keinton Mandeville. For my first time as C-of-C I was more than pleased to receive some assistance from outgoing C-of-C Dick Peachey. The weather was very good on the day, as it was the day before when setting up but a fair amount of rain the night before made for interesting conditions on the first couple of rounds. There were some very tight battles amongst the classes with just 0.11 seconds separating first and second places in the closed class after 48 tests! The John Aley cup for best performance went to the very well driven Austin 7 Ulster of Matt Johnston proving you don't need a big engine or big power to conquer this event. There was a good turnout of marshals enabling 12 tests to be run, and from feedback received marshals and competitors had an enjoyable days sport. The refreshment stall raised £790 for Keinton Mandeville village hall funds.

THE 90th EDINBURGH TRIAL was held on 4th October 2014. Of the 217 competitors 23 were non-starters 24 retired and 88 won an award. Bamford Clough could still not be used because of continuing problems with a part-buried high Tension power cable. Only New Litton Slack could be used. Much work was done to re-introduce Jenkins (a.k.a. Corkscrew) and a new hill, Incline, introduced as an alternative to Jenkins for the "less able" classes. Overnight rain, after a dry spell primed the restarts. An accident on Putwell hospitalized one rider. Assistance with radio communications was provided by Raynet. The Lowe Award for best Motor Cycle went, again, to D. Haste, and the John Tucker-Peake Cup for best car to L. Rafferty.

ANNUAL AWARDS:

BADDELEY AWARDS (for best overall performance in the Three Classic Trials):

Motorcycle: John Adams, Yamaha 560cc. Car: Ian Facey, BMW Z3

TRIPLE AWARDS: John Adams, Dave Craddock, Phil Sanders, Ian Thompson, Dick Bolt, Ian Facey, Stuart Roach, Hans Viertel, Emma Wall.

TRIO AWARD: (Class 0): Michael Leete.

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Motorcycle Team: Team ADA – A Bellew, A Walter D. Walter. **Car Team:** Mudlarks – P Brooks, N Farmer, N Gibbs.

BRITISH MOTORCYCLE AWARD: R Lees, Triumph Tiger Cub..

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 net profit this year after tax of £2,726 due to the investment income of £11,334 offsetting the £4,407 loss on events and £2,360 loss on General expenses. It is planned that in 2016 both Club subscriptions & Trial entry fees remain the same. For 2015, the hill repairs and general rising costs to organisers, landowners and marshals do remain a large concern which continues to be tackled by new events and cost cutting exercises where possible. The 2014 reduction in the number of full members by 66 and no increase in the number of competitors, does seem to have stopped during 2015 and we hope that the introduction of annual DD payments for subscriptions & entries will increase the membership. Next year, our Editor has negotiated a reduction in Triple costs by £1,500 and the on line entry system will no longer attract depreciation so that general expenses should break even. The investment income continues to perform well but, in the longer term, it is hoped these can be converted into hill ownership to ensure the club's future. 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. In addition, Simon Woodall offers himself for the post of Vice Chairman, proposed by Tim Whellock; Seconded by John Childs.

Chairman: R. J. Peachey Vice Chairman: Vacant
General Secretary: T W Keeling Hon Treasurer: B A 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 - P. Batty, D. Sapp Those members co-opted during 2014 also offer themselves for election

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th NOVEMBER 2014

	2013	£	£	2014	£	£
INCOME						
Subscriptions	22,680			21,321		
Loss/Profit on Regalia Sales	281			(1,235)		
Social Events	186			(551)		
Competition Fees	67,673			67,078		
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COMPETITION EXPENSES						
Event Authorisation & Insurance	26,385			21,695		
Printing & Stationery	8,238			7,885		
Postage	1,994			3,357		
Competition Organisation	17,312			24,343		
Awards	13,020			5,197		
Hill Repairs	8,838			5,844		
On-Line Entry Operating Charges	4,921			1,379		
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	80,708			69,700		
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EXPENSES						
Printing, Postage & Stationery	3,373			2,698		
Triple & Newsletters	6,328			7,174		
Affiliations inc LARA	3,629			1,312		
Insurance	2,028			2,212		
General Expenses	7,577			6,110		
Accountancy	780			780		
Investment Fees and Commission	453			150		
Depreciation	2,960			3,245		
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TOTAL EXPENSES	27,128		107,836	23,681		93,381
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NET PROFIT/ (LOSS)			(17,016)			(6,768)
Investment Income			8,522			11,334
Taxation			(383)			(1,840)
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NET PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION			(8,877)			2,726
ACCUMULATED PROFITS						
Brought Forward			98,605			89,728
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Carried Forward			89,728			92,454
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THE MOTOR CYCLING CLUB LIMITED
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th NOVEMBER 2014

	2013		2014	
	£	£	£	£
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
Freehold Property At Cost		6,408		6,408
Leasehold Property At Cost	5,282		5,282	
Aggregate Depreciation	2,282		2,442	
	-----	3,000		2,840
Equipment At Cost	23,868		23,868	
Aggregate Depreciation	17,162		20,247	
	-----	6,706		3,621
Gold Cup Donated	27,200		27,200	
Aggregate Depreciation	27,200		27,200	
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Total Fixed Assets NBV		16,114		12,869
Investments At Cost		98,537		98,537
Market Value £118,392 (2014)				
£104,492 (2013)				
£107,298 (2012)				
£ 98,645 (2011)				
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		114,651		111,406
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	10,191		8,140	
Cash at Bank and in Hand	61,153		68,089	
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	71,344		76,229	
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CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year				
Sundry Creditors	19,150		21,345	
Amounts Received in Advance	42,117		38,836	
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	61,267		60,181	
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		10,077		16,048
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NET ASSETS		124,728		127,454
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REVENUE RESERVES				
Profit & Loss Account		89,728		92,454
Terry Hall Memorial Fund		35,000		35,000
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		124,728		127,454
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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 2014.

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 & Company Secretary)

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,

Present: R J Peachey (Chairman), Jonathan Laver (President), Barbara Selkirk (Treasurer), The Revd Peter Lawley (General Secretary) and 15 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, who welcomed those attending before moving onto the Agenda.

1. Apologies for absence were received from John Aley, David Bache, Ron Butcher, Nick Farmer, John Green, Peter & Maralyn Knight, Robin Moore, Jeremy Nightingale, Brian Partridge, Alan Selwood, Dudley Sterry, Roger & Caroline Ugalde, Celia Walton, John West, and The Revd. Peter Lawley for late arrival.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 20th July 2013 at Monks Yard, Ilminster. Approval of the Minutes was proposed by Peter Batty and Seconded by Peter Chantler, and passed nem.con.

3. Matters arising. There were no matters arising from the Minutes raised.

4. The Annual Financial Report and Statement of Accounts to 30.11.13

These had been circulated with the Annual Report. The Treasurer Ms. Barbara Selkirk commented on various aspects of the outcome for the past year, drawing particular attention to the increasing costs of hill repairs and the need for careful budgetary control of expenditure.

In response to queries, the Treasurer pointed out the fall in renewal of memberships year on year, and the need for entry's to events to increase; the cost of arranging award trophies had fallen due to a new supplier being found; there had been reduced costs associated with the sending out and return of equipment packs to officials.

The Treasurer confirmed that the member subscriptions and fees were used for the running costs of the Club, whilst the event entry fees were used for the organisation of events, and that the costs of hill repairs had to come out of entry fees or reserves.

The Treasurer moved that the Annual Accounts be accepted and adopted, seconded by Simon Woodall, and approved nem.con.

5. Election of Officers of the Club - Due to retire, and offering themselves for re-election were Dick Peachey (Chairman, and also Competition Secretary); Peter Lawley (General Secretary) to January 2015 only; Ms. Barbara Selkirk (Treasurer and Company Secretary).

All proposed by Andrew Brown, and Seconded by Simon Woodall, and agreed nem.con.

6. Election of Executive Members of the Club - One third due to retire by rotation, these being Dudley Sterry, John West, Tim Whellock and Simon Woodall, re-election proposed by Tim Keeling, and seconded by Peter Chantler, and agreed nem.con.

The President thanked Committee Members, Officials and their families for their work and support for the Club, and handed over conduct of the remaining part of the Meeting to the Chairman.

This concluded the formal part of the meeting at 3.20pm.

NOTES ON INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

John Childs, Membership Secretary gave further details of the current membership and the churn rate of membership renewals: There were 684 current full members of over 700 renewing in 2013, of whom 272 were bike, and 412 were car memberships. New motorcycle memberships (67) had overtaken new car (54) memberships. Family Memberships had increased to 30, from 19 previously. 125 members did not renew in 2014, compared with 107 last year. Simon Woodall commented that 10 years ago, membership had been around 1200. How long had non-renewals previously been members? Entries to events had generally plateaued at 500 - 600 competing member in total. Non-competing, or active members had dropped. It had been suggested that a bundle of annual subscription plus 3 event fees could be offered at a discount, with payment taken over 12 months by DD, but many members were reluctant to give out bank details. There was a lot of work and on-costs to set up a DD system for payments. The decrease in membership came primarily from the car sector, not bikes.

The issue of Club presence at Car Shows was mentioned. There had been success recruiting from Motorcycle Shows as in Shepton Mallet and at Telford, but car shows were aimed at concours owners and tyre-kickers. Machinery availability could be a problem, and both membership and vehicle profiles were ageing.

The Welsh Road Trial held in 2013 had proved popular, but the organiser had only committed to organising one event and no one else had come forward.

Andrew Brown wishes to relinquish website responsibilities, and discussion took place on the way forward. There would be expenditure required to set up an improved version and a written brief would be required. The current operating specification is obsolete. Once designed and properly set up, running costs would be minimal, but multiple editors could then have appropriate levels of access.

It was agreed that an article in NOTW and Triple would be published seeking assistance.

Concern was expressed that an undue workload was being placed on Simon Woodall and Barbara Selkirk in their roles as Results coordinators, database coordination and Treasurer/Company Secretary.

There was discussion about the work of the Results Team, which had now settled down, and the process was outlined by Simon Woodall.

There was some discussion, and explanation, about the method of recording results on sections, which differed markedly from the process used, for example by ACTC events.

There was discussion about arbitration of queries of Results, and it was agreed that Clerks of Course, although part of the discussion of any protests, should not be assumed to be the final arbiter of decision. This should be left to either the Steward (s) of the event, or by way of formal protest, to membership of the Executive, sitting as an Appeal Committee. Formal protest procedure had been only rarely used.

Peter Batty, Equipment Secretary, commented on the need for common software programmes across the organising teams in order to help the process of recording and distribution.

Brian Gay raised the issue of postcode and Grid Reference identification for event sections for use by the emergency services, arising from an incident on the Lands End Trial. Tim Whellock and others explained how grid references should be used: OS 6 figure references, plus the 100km square Grid Letters, and that these should be included in Chief Officials' packs. It is helpful also to organise in advance known rendezvous points where possible at each section.

There being no other comments, or questions, the Chairman closed the discussion at 4.50pm and adjourned for refreshments provided by the venue.