



**Epynt Motor Club Ltd - Club Night Minutes**  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
**Victoria Hall, Llanwrtyd Wells**



Item
<p>1 <b>Present:</b> Ceri Davies (Chair), Emma Lewis (Secretary), Roger Stevens, Ellie Thornley, Graham Tong, Rose Vale, Chloe Vale, Andy Vale, Phillip Baggett, Steve Dadd, Helena Dadd, Brian Jones, Alun Probert, Kate Jones, Same Davies, Keiren Price, Jac Jones, Kyle Davies, Paul Jenkins, Mike Kennett, Natalie Plant, Ryan Davies, Keith Morgan, Neil Wozencraft.</p> <p><b>Apologies received:</b> Malcolm Furber, Keith Malkin</p>
<p>2 <b>Minutes of the last meeting</b> on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023 were agreed as an accurate record. Outstanding actions to be discussed throughout the meeting under the agenda items.</p>
<p>3 <b>Event committee reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Cambrian Mountains Tour - 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024</u> The organisation for the day is going well with a route decided along with venues to stop along the way. The Castle Hotel in Llandovery has been confirmed as the finish venue with a meal as part of the entry. The Bont Rally complex has been booked for a lap around the venue, along with lunch halt. The organisers are looking for some marshals to help at the Bont Rally Complex. There are lots of other events running the same weekend, therefore we need to start advertising the tour very soon to get people interested. <b>Actions:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>MK to approach Tregaron MC for help in Bont.</b></li><li>- <b>PJ &amp; RS to enquire for an event sponsor.</b></li><li>- <b>Regs to be out by <u>1<sup>st</sup> March 2024.</u></b></li><li>- <b>Start advertising with a digital poster and to print off some posters for villages the tour will be passing through.</b></li><li>- <b>Committee meeting on <u>26<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm at Victoria Hall.</u></b></li></ul></li> <li>• <u>Get Connected Mewla Rally – 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024</u> There have been a few changes with a new Event Secretary appointed, Michele Petrie and a new Entry Secretary appointed, Natalie Plant. There is also a new main sponsor, Damian Cole (Get Connected) who has agreed to be the main sponsor for the next 3 years. The committee are looking for a Press Officer to help promote the Mewla Rally. New banners and signs will have to be purchased with the new sponsor's name; Damian has agreed to help with the costs. There will be a new Commandant for the Epynt Ranges starting in February 2024, <b>Action:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Committee meeting on <u>9<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm at Greyhound, Builth Wells</u></b></li></ul></li></ul>



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- DG Jones Agri Ltd. Powys Lanes Rally – 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> November 2024

The event started with 85 cars out of 90, there was many withdrawals within the few days leading up to the day of the rally. The event went well on the night. There were some minor PR issues following the event, which have all been dealt with by the committee.

Most things have been booked for 2024.

The charity presentation for Llandovery Rotary Club and Llanwrtyd Playfield Fund will be on the night of the Annual Club Awards Dinner, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

**Actions:**

- **The committee need to decide on charity donation amount.**

#### 4 Club Officer reports

- Treasurer

There have been some issues with the Club account, however this has now been resolved and is back up and running. AP is currently dealing issues; the bank is asking for a written agreement on the club's liability status.

**Actions:**

- **AP looking into different banking options for the Club after issues have been sorted.**
- **Ask DH if he will continue as a second signatory.**
- **Once account is sorted to set up access for EL for payments (permits & stationary) and NP to view payments (memberships).**

- Membership secretary

The club currently has 41 members for 2024 so far with 21 being from Powys Lanes in November 2023.

**Actions:**

- **EL/KJ to print off calendars.**
- **AP to check account for payments.**

- Autotest coordinator

Last Autotest on the showground in December 2023 welcomed 23 completing on the day. It was a very wet day, which caused some delayed and therefore were not able to complete all 8 tests. All the championships results have been calculated and published.

The 2024 Championship with 6 rounds have been confirmed.

The 2024 regulations and fees were agreed to continue the same as 2023.

A number of the Autotest regular competitors have asked about changing the setup of the autotests to allow passengers. NW has asked for everyone's opinion:

- 20+ have asked for the tests to allow passengers.
- This would encourage new people and young people to take part, some don't feel they have the confidence to give it ago.



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- This could encourage new people to join the club and help with the organisation of other events.
- It would help with navigational skills for rallies.
- Other clubs run tests with passengers.

It was discussed with the arguments for the changes and against:

- We are already in 2024 and it would be too tight to change.
- It would mean looking into different permits with different regulations.
- The autotests are at their most popular, do we need more competitors.
- We currently have the highest membership for a number of years and still struggling to find new people to help with organising our main Club events.

It was agreed to carry on with the Autotests as they are for this year as we are only a few weeks away. NW to feedback to competitors of the discussion and why, also ask them to get together and put a proposal together for next year and/or a taster event for later in the year.

**Actions:**

- **AP & NW to check toilets are open on the showground.**
- **Arrange a working group to discuss through all options.**

- Navscatter coordinator

First round of the Championship will be from The Elan Hotel in Rhayader on the 18<sup>th</sup> January. There will be the annual Novice Navscatter at the Belle Vue in Llanwrtyd on 11<sup>th</sup> January.

**Actions:**

- **EL to apply & pay for the rest of the permits.**

- Championship coordinator

The results of the 2023 championship is on website.

- Chief marshal

- Showground Stages run by Newtown MC on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Need help on the start line, signing on from 6.30-7.30am.
- HERO event on the 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> February on the showground with 1 run on Saturday morning and 2 runs on Sunday.
- Rally North Wales on 16<sup>th</sup> March, Gartheiniog Stages. Will be via Rally Stage Team website.
- Rallynuts on 13<sup>th</sup> April, Myherin Stages. Will be via Rally Stage Team website.

Please contact Club Chief Marshal, Mike Kennett for further details and interest to help via email [epyntmotorclub@hotmail.com](mailto:epyntmotorclub@hotmail.com) and <https://www.rallystageteam.co.uk/>

- Sustainability accreditation

No updates.

**Actions:**

- **CD/KJ to email all information to SD & AV**



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**5 Club matters**

- 2024 calendar  
Added some updates.
  
- Annual dinner and awards presentation  
All details are now on the website with a form people can complete with their food choices. There are 13 booked so far. All numbers need to be in by the 26<sup>th</sup> January. There will be the Charity presentation at 7pm before we food is served. We need volunteers to decorate the hall during the day.  
**Actions:**
  - **EL to call invited guests for confirmation.**
  - **KJ check the charity invitation.**
  
- Trophies  
The Awards trophies have been ordered from Hafoc.
  
- Club Website & Facebook – keeping it up to date  
KJ has put together a spread sheet of tasks and handed out to members of the Communication Team to discuss further in a sub meeting.  
**Actions:**
  - **Arrange a meeting with the media/communications team.**
  - **Add to AGM minutes to website.**

**6 Correspondence**

- HRCR Novice & Refresher Training for Historic Road Rallying Events on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February in Stratford-Upon-Avon <https://www.cvmc.org.uk/PDFs/HRCR%20training%20day%20advert.pdf>
- ANWCC Minutes & General Update <https://www.anwcc.co.uk/home.htm>
- WAMC Southern Centre Meeting Minutes from 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
<https://www.wamc.org.uk/meetings/southern-centre-meetings>
- HRCR Open Day on 13<sup>th</sup> January at the British Motor Museum, Gaydon  
<https://www.hrcr.co.uk/events/>
- Update from LARA <https://laragb.org/>
- ANWCC Club information updated
- Motorsport UK Club registration received
- WAMC Club information updated
- Promotional items from West Way
- Notification of Rali Bro Caron on 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024
- Motorsport UK's annual webinar with David Richards and Hugh Chambers will take place on the evening of Wednesday 24 January <https://www.motorsportuk.org/about-us/>



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**7 Any other business**

- Update for 2024 permit fees; Autotests £12 per car; Navscatters £30 per event
- WAMC Southern Centre Meeting; PRing issues from RAC and LeJog was reported.
- WAMC subscriptions has been received with a total of £190, this includes the Championship Leves. Agreed to take the costs of the Championships to the event committees.
- Championship rules for Navscatters, Club & Marshal; no big changes proposed, just the contact information.
- KJ has one of the club printers and would like someone else to look after it.
- It was discussed to share the responsibility of arriving early to set up before meetings.
- EL to email AGM meetings minutes.
- Reminder to inform other clubs regarding Navscatters.
- AV proposed to give a certificate for Autotests/ Navscatters instead of a trophy to save money. Agreed to continue with trophies for now as there is a good number competing on these events.
- Safeguarding Officer: GT has received a MSUK licence for 2024.
- Marshal training: The club needs to agree on a date. AP has emailed the showground for available dates and currently waiting for them to reply. Currently considering May/June. Epynt Motor Club will organise & promote the training day.
- Club logos: A club member has kindly redesigned the club logo with a few options, free of charge. Agreed to consider these going forward.
- Pacenotes training afternoon: EL to organise the details for next meeting.

**8 Date of next committee & club meetings:**

- Mewla Committee meeting - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm, Greyhound Builth Wells
- Cambrian Mountains Committee meeting – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm, Victoria Hall Llanwrtyd
- Club Night - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm for 8pm, Victoria Hall Llanwrtyd

**Forward look:**

- Pacenotes Training details
- Marketing accreditation