

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7th December 2011

Present

Dave Charman, Carol Dark, Colin Don, Debbie Don, Rob Edwards, Danny Haste, Jo Jenkins, Pete Jenkins, Stuart Read.

Apologies for Absence

Malcolm Coles, Richard Coles.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulated by e-mail and approved.

Matters Arising

1. The AGM has been booked for Wednesday 15 February at The Red Lion. The constitution stated that the AGM must be held in February.
2. Limited company status for the club is to be researched in January and put to members at the AGM. Jo pointed out implications on the accounting side and this will be discussed when Richard is present.
3. Colin has booked Shamley Green on 22 January, Blacklands Farm on 26 February and 28 October and Faygate Tip on 25 March and in doing so has avoided clashing with other local clubs. Saturday trials will be held next year in May, June and July (possibly August) at Beare Gill and Betchworth with a 2pm start and barbecue afterwards. Colin will try to negotiate lower charges at the latter venue, to include us providing our own food and if successful will book further dates. These events will count towards a separate championship and may replace some Sunday trials. We will not use Hook Woods this year due to the cost and will not be running training trials but possibly have another training day. Colin is also investigating new venues such as Frylands Wood Scout Camp Featherbed Lane, Rome Woods and Horsham's ground at Holmbush Farm.
4. Neville's offer to run next year's camping weekend was gratefully accepted by the committee and he was advised. Jo will be available to help and Stuart/Antony may still be able to hire the marquee from the Scouts. In the light of this, **Debbie** will make flexibility changes to the constitution prior to the next committee meeting and this will then need to be adopted at the AGM.

Secretary's Report

Carol is yet to receive verification from the AMCA regarding the wearing of helmets and will chase this.

Treasurer's Report

Current account £203.18 and Tracker account £12650.07.

Jo issued a cheque for £40 to renew our affiliation to the ACU and £362 to the BMF.

Carol to send these off.

Jo is still waiting to hear from Barclays Bank regarding the charges for the unpaid cheque however, cash settlement has been received for the amount of the cheque via Bob Collins.

Jo confirmed all AMCA paperwork is now up to date and that Rick will be doing the accounts again this year.

Editor's Report

Debbie reminded everyone that she still needs articles for the newsletter.

Membership Secretary's Report

Rob gave out renewal forms at the last club trial and Debbie has posted one to all members who have paper copies of the e-news.

Competition Secretary's Report

Star Group Trial.

Colin, Pete, Chris, Scott and James will be laying out on Saturday. So far Richard has four volunteers to observe and he will phone round for more support. **Carol** to send programme to the ACU Steward, Brian Foster. Colin will take a table for the signing on but at some point we need to buy a table for this purpose.

Social Secretary

Jo is arranging the committee meal for 8pm Friday 9th March at The Red Lion, Betchworth. Rick, Bruce, Antony and Neville will be invited.

Any Other Business

With regard to the 'no stop rule' we will advise members as soon as we get the guidance from the ACU.

Following Stuart's near miss at the Ockley club trial we must be mindful of dangerous section markers. Our new risk assessment forms will be a combination of the ACU/AMCA forms and will be completed before trials.

Colin will arrange a meeting of all members who are prepared to lay out trials and awarding of points for helping will be discussed. He will also organise A4 envelopes for trials paperwork and £30 float for the tin in £1 coins.

The committee members are keen for Richard to stay on in his present position and will approach him regarding this, now that Colin has taken over the role of Competition Secretary.

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 11th January 2012 at The Red Lion, Betchworth.