

The Murvi Club

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Held on: 13 April 2019 at 18.00

Present:

Hilary Ackland
Ian Baxter
Andrew Bennett & Kate Foster
Steve & Maggie Butler
Gay Chamberlayne
Roger & Anne Clough
Graham & Julie Collins
Judy Coutinho & Valerie Greenfield
Leigh & Annabel Darnton
Bob & Maggie Eley
Colin & Jean Elliott
Robert & Angela Emuss
Robert & Christine Flitney
Billy & Ingrid Gawthorpe
Terry & Margaret Gordine
Chris & Heather Gould
Philip & Hilary Greenwood
Tony & Chrissie Gumbrell
Adrian & Theresa Hitchman
Steve Little & Jackie Coles
Paul & Gay Johnson
Peter & Margaret Lloyd
Alan & Marilyn Major
Nick & Yvonne Mawby
Barry Moy & Den Richardson
Roger Norman
Wendy Palmer and Lin Powell
Steve and Anne Parker
Lindsay & Wilma Paterson
Roger & Wendy Pepper
Tony Phillips
Nick & Penny Potts
Meg & Pete Privett
Chris & Nadine Reed
Keith & Lyn Ross
Andrew Shewan & Penny McCallig
Paul & Linda Shingler
Tim & Jacqui Simmons
Dave & Diana Smith
Chris Stanbury
Adrian & Karin Sumption
Martin & Penny Sweet
Steve Sykes
Colin & Liz Wallis
Geoff & Carol Wilkinson
Alan & Chrissie Williams
Julia Wright

Apologies:

Robert & Carolyn Ash
Martin & Margareta Burrell
Dave and Rosie Busfield
Brian & Sheila Cady
Paul & Pam Crummay
Hugh & Jeanette Constable
Simon & Ellie Elsdon
Nigel & Anne Evans
Alan & Jane Fletcher
Mike & Sylvia Frew
Barry & Joyce Hopewell
John & Sue Ingold
Barry Ireland
Ian Leslie
Dave & Liz Nayler
Martin & Helen Randall
Richard & Lynn Stevens
Gerry & Pat Thomas
Roy & Kath Tipping
Peter & Elaine Vincent
Vince & Christine Wright
Mike Warburton

- 1 Julia Wright took the chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2 The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21/04/18 were approved and signed by Julia Wright.
- 3 There were no matters arising from the Annual General Meeting held on 21/04/18.

- 4 Julia Wright, the Chairman, reported as follows:
It sometimes seems as if the Murvi Club has been an important part of my life for a long time now. Others of you may feel the same way. So, it might come as a surprise to learn that next year, 2020, will be the Club's 10th Anniversary. The inaugural meeting was held on 18 July 2010 with 39 people in 21 Murvi vans. 15 of those members are here today, although not necessarily in the same vehicle. At the 2011 AGM, Pam Crummay, to whom we should all be very grateful, reported that she had been a little disappointed by the initially slow response to her idea that the Murvi Lovers Club should be formed. Then the requests to join started to roll in and Pam's dream of many years started to take shape. At the time of writing this report, 48 vans and 87 members are due to attend this, our 9th AGM. By my calculations that is a record number and I think this is a fitting tribute to all Pam's efforts. With such a momentous occasion pending, your committee is keen to celebrate this milestone at next year's AGM. We would like your help to think of ideas for how we might do so. You can speak to any of the committee members over the weekend. However, it can be a hectic time, so we will also have a suggestion box, which will be here for the rest of the day and tomorrow evening. Paper and pens are inside, so please take the opportunity to contribute your ideas. We would appreciate it if you could add your name to your suggestion, in case we have to ask for more information. But we will respect anonymity if that would help. If your inspiration comes after we have left on Monday, please contact any of us by email or phone.
Once again thanks are due to many people. I would like to thank all of you for coming along. Thanks to the committee for all their hard work behind the scenes. Thank you, Karin, for your efforts in organising this AGM weekend. Thanks to Pete Privett for providing the sound system, which is such a help in ensuring that all contributions are heard. And, of course, many thanks to Steve Little for his enlightening and entertaining guided walks around Shrewsbury.
- 5 Roger Pepper, the Secretary, reported as follows:
Committee meetings took place on 22 April and 9 November 2018. The committee have been in regular touch by email between the meetings.
Adrian Sumption was co-opted to the committee to act as our Editor
The following decisions have been taken:
The Privacy Policy and Privacy Statement in accordance with The General Data Protection Regulation were approved and circulated to the membership with the minutes of the 1918 A.G.M. They will be reviewed at the committee meeting to be held tomorrow.
Members who have opted not to share their details will no longer have access to the website members list on which they do not appear. The non-sharers have been informed of this change in policy.
Membership of ACCEO and our public liability insurance have both been renewed.
- 6 Alan Major, the Treasurer, reported as follows:
A copy of the club's accounts for 2018 has been circulated with the AGM papers sent out by our Secretary. These have been audited by Martin Sweet and on your behalf I would like to thank him for undertaking this task.
The club continues to meet its ongoing expenses from the subscriptions received from members. The most significant expenditure in the year was for additional investment in the club's website infrastructure.
Although the club aims to ensure that events are self funding it did benefit from a piece of good fortune at the November Gower meet when the local pub decided to waive its charge for the exclusive use of the rear bar area. Of course I cannot guarantee that the club can always enjoy good fortune and must recognise that in order to secure venues for our events monies sometimes have to be paid out ahead of receiving attendance fees from members which, for any number of reasons, may not be recovered in full. It is for this reason that a healthy balance of funds needs to be maintained to ensure the club can do this and meet any unexpected liabilities.
As the balance sheet continues to show a health balance and expenditure remains well with the club's income, I will be recommending to the Committee that the subscription remains at its current level.

Lin Powell proposed and Heather Gould seconded that the accounts for the year to 31 December 2018 be accepted. This was carried unanimously.
- 7 Karin Sumption, the Rally Secretary, reported as follows:
We have had another good year of meets and festivals. We had eleven meets spread throughout the year with the majority in the winter months, we even managed three in November, from South West Wales to Northumberland and back to the south coast. Quite a lot of driving for those who went to all. There was a Murvi presence at lots of festivals last summer, ranging from Vintage Nostalgia and Countryfile Live to Jazz and Folk. This year we have started a new system for publishing information

about shows and festivals. If you are going to an event, and would like some company there, you can email me with a link to the event's website, I will add a piece about it on the Festivals and Shows section of our website and circulate an email alerting all the members to it.

We have already plans for at least four meets for later this year, three in Yorkshire in September, one in Manchester in October and another in Devon in November and, on the website, there is information about nine shows that some Murvis are attending. There are also bound to be some Christmas meets. We managed three last year. Hopefully they will all happen again this year with, maybe, one in the North West as well?

If you're like me and like to have lots of friends round you wherever you go, organising a Murvi meet is the best thing. It can be as small or large as you want. You can plan lots of activities or none, and you can book the site for everyone or leave it to individuals to book. It really isn't difficult.

Happy Murviing!

- 8 Nick Mawby, the IT and Membership Secretary, reported as follows:
At the first AGM of the club there were 89 members and there are currently 300 representing 540 people. 27 members do not share their information with other members. 28 members resigned during the year. An analysis of members attending the AGM showed that longer serving members were more likely to be there.
The website has received 69,000 visits from 19,000 individuals. A three-year package has been purchased for the site which has increased security to block attempted hackers. A sign-up system for notification of members' vehicles which are for sale has been introduced. Further membership participation in adding tips, blogs and advertising attendance at events would be welcome.
There were 216 topics discussed on the email chat system during the year. It has been suggested that this could become a forum but that would need members signing onto the web to use. Those attending the meeting were asked for their views on this subject and the overall majority were in favour of retaining the current system.
- 9 Alan Major, Nick Mawby, Roger Pepper, Karin Sumption and Julia Wright were elected to the Executive Committee.
- 10 Angela Emus proposed Martin Sweet as Auditor. This was seconded by Kate Foster and carried unanimously with the meeting's thanks to Martin for carrying out this function.
- 11 Adrian Sumption asked that articles for the next newsletter be sent to him by mid May.
- 12 The next Annual General Meeting will be held on 18 April 2020 at Stratford upon Avon.

The meeting closed at 18.35