

THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN



SOUTH EAST SECTION

The Minutes of the 61st Annual General Meeting of the South East Section of the Veteran Car Club of Great Britain held at The Hickstead Hotel, Jobs Lane, Hickstead, West Sussex on Sunday 28th November 2010

Chairman: Paul Noon
Treasurer: Henry Smith
Secretary: Ann Wait

Committee Members

Amy Clark, Ron Clark, Dan Lehmann, Jan van de Pol DL

82 Members and their guests attended the Meeting

The Chairman opened the Meeting at 11:30am and welcomed the President and Chairman of the Veteran Car Club, Past Presidents, Previous Members of the Committee, South East Section Members and their guests

The Chairman asked the meeting to stand in memory of the following Club Members and friends who had sadly died during the past year: Peter Newens, John Hornsby, Colin Groves.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from 28 members: Sir Freddie and Lady Sowery, Nicholas Beaumont, John Hickman, Cathy Cobbold, Martin Bodenham, Alan and Barbara Maddows, Richard Eastmead, Brian Kingsley, Richard Ashby, Robert Mansfield, John Spires, Gerry Acher, Michael and Bridget Doughty, Peter and Rosemary Phillips, Paul Curtis, Roger Bishop, Gillie Parkinson, Mark and Suzie Tidy, Andrew Edsor, Allan White, Graham Pilmore-Bedford, Charles and Sonia Windsor.

2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 60th Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 29th November 2009

The Minutes of the Meeting had been circulated with the Notice of this Meeting. It was proposed by Mr. John Morris and seconded by Mr Derek Grossmark that these constituted a true record of the Meeting. The Minutes were accepted unanimously.

3 Matters Arising

Paul Noon reported that the secretary had received a call from one of the directors, Chris Cooper, of Veteran Car Club Ltd. On the Notice of the Meeting the headings and the logo of **Veteran Car Company Ltd.** had been correctly used. However, in the text there was a reference to **Veteran Car Club Ltd.** Chris Cooper said that this error must be made public at the meeting. He and the other directors of Veteran Car Club Ltd. wished it to be pointed out at the meeting that we do not have the right to use that name. The company name owned by the Club is, in fact, the Veteran Car Company Ltd. The Committee apologised to the directors of Veteran Car Club Ltd. for this error and hoped that the position was now clear to members. This apology was accepted by Michael Banfield and Chris Cooper.

4 Treasurer's Report

Henry Smith presented the accounts for the Veteran Car Club South East Section, for the year

ending October 31st 2010, which had been circulated immediately prior to the meeting. The only changes over the year are £411 write down for the Eezi-ups purchased last year and, due to some of the banking difficulties that we are experiencing (to be explained in the next meeting), there has been a sum of money paid back into the Club account from our loan to Veteran Car Company Ltd. The loan is now standing at £2230, instead of £3500.

5 **Adoption of Audited Accounts**

On the proposal of Mr Michael Banfield, seconded by Mr Michael Sapsford, it was agreed unanimously that these accounts be adopted.

6 **Election of Members to the Committee of the South East Section**

Tam Large has resigned from the Committee. The Committee proposed Ron Clark and Ann Wait for re-election to the Committee. No further nominations had been received so they were automatically elected.

7 **Election of Section Officers**

The Committee proposed that the following officers should be elected:

Chairman: Ron Clark Seconded by John Lawson

Treasurer: Henry Smith Seconded by John Wait

Secretary: Ann Wait Seconded by Michael Banfield

The proposals were passed unanimously.

8 **Section Representative on Executive Committee.**

The committee proposed Ron Clark to be the Section Representative. This was seconded by Mr Peter Boulding and was accepted unanimously.

9 **Appointment of Honorary Auditor**

The Committee proposed David Budgeon. It was seconded by Mrs Eileen Lawson and passed unanimously. Paul Noon thanked him for his work for the section. He does not charge us for all his work and we are very lucky to have had him in this position for such a long period of time. David thanked the Chairman for his kind words and thanked Henry Smith for the clear accounts he had submitted.

10 **Any Other Business**

10.1 Michael Banfield noted that we had not voted on the adoption of the accounts. This had been done in Item 5 but the vote was repeated for clarity.

10.2 Paul Noon officially handed over the chair to Ron Clark. Paul Noon said it had been a pleasure to serve as Chairman for the last two years. He had done his best to bring something to the party. He thanked the Committee for their support. Although the present committee is small, it is very strong. The meetings are convivial. It is a pleasure to attend them. His key aim has been never to lose sight of the fact that this is a Car Club; we are friends and should keep it light-hearted. There must be rules and regulations but our aim should be to have happy times together with our friends. He listens to older members regaling us with stories of times they had together with friends long gone, and the laughter they shared. We must still continue to do that and to keep that as our objective.

There was no further business to be discussed and the meeting was closed at 11:45am.