

Minutes of the Third AGM of the East Anglian Cyclemotor Club

**Coddenham Community Centre
14 November 2010**

Opening of meeting

The Secretary opened the meeting at 2:15pm with 32 members in attendance

Election of Chair for the Meeting

It was proposed that Neil Morley would chair the meeting

Agreed

Apologies for Absence

Andrew Roddham,
Keith Lock,
Alan Course

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the second AGM were approved as an accurate record

Proposed: R Richardson

Seconded: M Daborn

Agreed *Nem Con*

Matters Arising

Ralph Richardson asked about the Club Stickers that were proposed last year:

Mark Daniels reported that they had not been produced yet. A supplier has been found and the design has been finalised. The order will be placed soon.

MD

The Secretary reported on the other proposed actions:

The proposal to obtain a number of club banners **has been implemented.**

The proposal to provide a list of section contacts **has been implemented.**

Arising from the Events Officer's report, Ralph Richardson requested that the events officer publicise the dates of events as soon as possible to avoid clashes.

PE

Officers' reports

Secretary

Membership of the club continues to grow steadily – it's now 365 (as of Wednesday) compared with 274 reported at the last AGM.

The committee operates on the principle that all the club officials know what they're doing – as long as the club is heading in the right direction, there's no need for the committee to interfere. In other words, "If it's not broken, don't fix it". To that end, I'm proud to announce that we needed no committee meetings at all in the last year.

The club belongs to the Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs and Mark represented us at the FBHVC AGM this year..

Treasurer

The treasurer presented the income and expenditure account and added that, as of 5 November, we had £1,036.27 in the bank account. The increase in membership has resulted

in an increase in subscription income but an increase in expenditure on the newsletter and postage. Our subscription to the FBHVC has also increased because of the larger number of members. Income from V765s and dating certificates has increased again. The amount spent on publicity has gone up because of the purchase of the banners.

Ralph Richardson asked if the sum listed as “Donations” included the collections at runs.

Donations does not include these collections. Generally, runs break even and the money collected at an event is used to pay the organising costs – mainly the hire fees for village halls. There has been a small net surplus from runs and this is listed under “Runs”

The accounts were approved

Agreed Nem Con

Events

The OiC Events requested that all organisers keep him informed of their plans as early as possible so he can provide sign-on sheets and help with the planning of the club’s calendar of events.

Publicity

I submitted our 2011 events calendar to Old Bike Mart magazine. Also, I have updated an article publicising the EACC and the benefits of membership. I thought I'd chance it so this was forwarded to OBM since they'd responded positively to the events list. In the end they politely declined it as Jim Lee had put one in earlier.

Much of our publicity is being generated through *IceniCAM* and related micro web sites resulting in a deluge of e-mails (I know as I helped Mark sort out his new broadband connection!) Special thanks to Andrew for ensuring we have a first class web presence and e-mail lists and to Mark for a veritable stock of spares. It is great to have an active on-line market with machines and parts for sale and people regularly turning up at autojumbles having contacted us via the web site.

I'm continuing to supply the course notes and maps for the EACC runs based around the Ipswich area. Access to a colour printer at work has helped!

Finally I have contacted some other classic motorcycle magazines about the EACC and related activities. This included Classic Bike & Classic Motor Cycle magazines (both Mortons Media). I don't think they are remotely interested in promoting club activities therefore have not followed them up any further.

I am always open to any suggestions from the members to further publicise our activities, if we feel the need to do so.

Neil Morley.

Ralph asked if the Club’s stand at Copdock Show had been successful.

The Club won the award for Best Club Stand at Copdock. This is the first time we have won the award two years in succession.

Mike Daborn asked if we had considered getting hi-viz tabards with the club name or logo.

Dave Evans said that he would be able to get a price for these and **it was agreed** that this idea would be pursued.

DE & NM

Spares

Alan Course was not present but provided this written report:

“Up until about six months ago there was a regular (one or two a month!) stream (well trickle) of queries that could broadly be divided into three camps. E-mails from abroad where son, or son-in-law, etc, found Dad’s Cyclemaster or whatever in the shed, at the tip, etc, where it had probably lain since shortly after said Dad had emigrated in the 50s or 60s. These queries were (usually) quite easy to answer and just required pointing people (who previously had no involvement in our interest) in the right direction. Some even came back to me with thanks and an update on progress. The second group were basically from the same category but

living in the UK and their contact was often by phone; some had just joined our club or if not it was strongly suggested that they did! The third group were those who hoped that we held in stock and for sale whatever tinware they might need for their 1938 ??????. But I could still point them to all the usual places and one came back to me some while later to say that suggested efforts had born fruit (or rather tin) and thank you - which was nice.”

“Where do we go from here, I have often thought? I think most people now know all the usual sources of help (Well done Danny, Pete Stratford, Jim Lee, Steve Goode, etc, etc) OBM, Ebay, etc, etc, and indeed we should encourage, support and advertise their services whenever we can - but we need to do more than that. In truth I am not sure what form that should take - ideas welcomed!!”

A discussion on spares ensued.

It was suggested that the club should actively seek information to update its machine register as this would provide useful information about the numbers of different machines and what spares are likely to be needed.

ATP

Mark Daniels reported that, at the FBHVC AGM, the VMCC had expressed an interest in exchanging register information with us.

The chairman called for a show of hands to see what support there was for more club involvement in spares. This was overwhelmingly in favour.

Committee

Election of Committee

All the existing committee members **were re-elected en bloc**

**Proposed R Richardson
Seconded C Saunders.
Carried Nem Con**

Secretary

Andrew Pattle

Treasurer

Mark Daniels

Committee members (a minimum of 1, a maximum of 6)

David Evans, Carl Harper, Neil Morley, Paul Efreme

Any Other Business

Neil Morley thanked everyone who had come to today's event – 50 riders had signed on. He also gave particular thanks to Dawn, Val and Maureen for the catering and back-up.

Mark Daniels warned members that DVLA has started issuing fines to people who fail to notify them that they have sold a vehicle. If DVLA receives a V62 request for a new V5c from a new owner, and no transfer of ownership has been notified, then a fine is automatically issued to the previous registered keeper. In some cases they have issued fines when a vehicle was sold many years ago and Mark said it was likely that there would be a legal challenge to this practice. However, it was important that club members should be careful to follow the correct procedures with DVLA and also to retain their own records as proof.

Close of meeting

The meeting closed at 2:57pm.