



The Seventy Seven Caravan Club

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Chairlady: Elaine Gristwood

Vice Chairman: vacant

Committee Members:

Clive Austin

Christine Russell

Ian Chittick

David Wesbroom

Diane Parker

Catherine Chittick

Christine Wesroom

The 77 caravan club AGM Minutes 23/10/2021

Pleshey Village Hall

Meeting opened at 2.30pm

Apologises received from: -

Edna Eusden, Peter Eusden, Neal Gristwood, Tina Edwards, June Mundy, Brian Cooper, Brett & Kim Wesbroom.

Chairlady's Review

Minutes from the last AGM 2019 are on the table. Can I ask if someone will propose we accept the minutes, Joe Hamilton, thank you, and a seconder please. Michael Broadway thank you.

Firstly, would like to thank my fellow committee for all their hard work during this difficult time.

Especially Chris R for keeping everyone up to date on rallies. Also thank you to Catherine Chittick for stepping up with regard to the website and Facebook. All this seems to be going well. Thanks to everyone who hosted a rally this year. If anyone would like to host a rally, please feel free to ask any committee member if you need help.

Been a strange 18 mths with the covid situation. Hopefully 2022 will be a much better and normal year. It's a pity we had to cancel a rally this year due to lack of support. Other venues have not been well supported, the club cannot afford to subsidise rallies. Rallies must be cost effective.

I know some of you wish to change the dinner dance venue. If anyone has ideas regarding this, can they let me know and I will try to find somewhere new. We do need members to support the dinner dance for it to continue, it would be a shame for it to end.

I have enjoyed those rallies we have managed to attend this year. I am willing to stand for 2022 assuming you will have me.

Treasurers Report Sue Aylott

Elaine, Unfortunately Sue has had to go home. You have the financial reports, but as Sue is not here, we are unable to answer all your questions. **Pat LJ**, there is an error in the figure from 2019 – 2021. What is miscellaneous on Sue's figures. **Joe**, can we ask Sue to update the figures in 2-3 weeks. **Doreen**, the books were in order. All agreed for Sue to update books and put them on the website. A volunteer to audit the books next year. Doreen.

Booking Secretary, Chris Russell

Here we are at last an AGM. I cannot say it's been a great 2 yrs. since we were last here. Hope you have all remained well.

Rallies as you know have been booked regardless of the covid situation. It's been a shame to cancel and be cancelled. All rallies for 2022 are booked. The last 18mths have been tough for me and Clive. Your committee has had to make some tough decisions, regarding the financing of rallies. Attendance is crucial to ensure rallies are cost effective. A lot of sites have increased fees to recoup losses, which means it is more difficult to find sites we can afford. I understand some members want to have rallies with electric. I will take this on board and try to find venues that may be suitable. Remember you will never get a field with electric, accompanied by a hall. Some sites with hook up will accept our tent. For an ongoing electric situation, some of the club rules would have to be changed and you can only change rules at an AGM.

Spring BH is booked for 2022. All details will be posted on the website. I need names asap. As I mentioned 2 yrs. ago, I would be standing down in 2020. Due to covid this didn't happen, so I continued to work through. I would like to stand down, as far as I know no one has come forward. I will continue to serve the club, **BUT** I will not be seeking new sites or booking a Spring BH for 2023. If anyone is interested, please feel free to come and see me. I would like to thank those who have supported me, especially Pat LJ, who has continued to produce the rally book. Without her I'd be lost.

Sports Officer - Ian Chittick

I haven't got much to say. The rallies we attended were good. The sports rally was enjoyed by all who attended. I would like to thank everyone for their support and look forward to standing again for next year

Membership Secretary - Chris Russell

As I have been billy two hats this last two years I am obliged to report on the membership. Currently we have 39 members, of which six never come out. So, technically we have 33 members that are able to attend rallies. As you have heard attendance has been poor, mostly due to covid and illness. We hope 2022 will be a better year for the 77 club.

Vice chairman /Rally Officer Clive Austin

I haven't got much to say as we haven't had many rallies. No problems. I would be happy to stand again if you will all still have me.

Catering Diane Parker

Not much to say as hasn't had to do much. Will be happy to stand again for next year

AOB - Proposals

Elaine: I have a few proposals for discussion.

Pat LJ:-can we move the year end financial report to 31st August? **Elaine** and others Why? **Joe H:**- are we saying that should change everything for one thing? **Pat LJ**, that would give the treasurer more time to do the figures and put them out to the membership before the AGM. Giving members time to read and digest the figures. **Ian:**- rallies wouldn't tie up with the financial report. **Chris W:**- could be done for Sept.

Elaine:- could we have a vote. Vote for Sept carried.

Pat LJ: - can we have the minutes to meetings circulated within 4 weeks. Chris R: - I can do my best but am rubbish at doing them. **Bob M:** - could you do them by the day meet and post them online. **Chris R:** - Yes.

Derek & Kevin: - could we have rallies once a month to save money? **Derek**, I don't think it would save money. **Chris R.** I agree, people would just go elsewhere. **Kevin**, yes people go to sites with hook-ups!

Catherine/Ian: - If someone is considering joining our club could we have a temporary membership £6.

Elaine: we have clarified this with Natural England. Their paperwork states members on rallies must be full members of the club. In addition, they said they did not interfere with individual clubs' policies? I think we can issue a temporary membership as before. Need to make the wording clearer in rally book. (Document from Natural England can be viewed if required).

Derek LJ: - we need to know about any change in fees, we were not told that rally fees would be increased to £20. It should be discussed by all. **Elaine:** - the fees have always been set by the committee as they know the financial situation at any one time. The rally book states this.

Elaine is there anything else? **Joe H** can we ask members to pay by bank transfer? Then we wouldn't have to use cash. We should move on in the 21st century. You can download an app onto your phone that will connect to the bank and use like the contactless card payment. **Clive** a lot of our venues ask to be paid in cash. One venue we have to put the cash in a flower pot in a conservatory, am I supposed to tap

the pot? *Laughter.* Not everyone has a smartphone. Chris and I are requested to leave money in some very peculiar places. **Joe** ok I give up.

Entertainment for Easter

Not discussed

Election of committee: - Those committee to remain, Elaine Chair, Chris R Booking, Clive Rally Officer, Ian Chittick Sports officer, David Wesbroom Committee Member, Diane Parker Catering

Voted on Christine Wesbroom Treasurer, Catherine Chittick Webmaster/Facebook

Elaine: I invite you to toast The 77 Club.

Meeting ended 4.35pm.

Committee for 2022

Elaine Gristwood	Chairlady
Vice Chair	Vacant
Membership Secretary	Vacant
Committee Member	Dave Wesbroom
Web Master	Catherine Chittick
Catering Officer	Diane Parker
Rally officer	Clive Austin
Treasurer	Christine Wesbroom
Booking Secretary	Chris Russell
Sports Officer –	Ian Chittick
Auditors	Doreen Gladden

Saved as 2022
To amend when I can.