DEVON & CORNWALL CENTRE

OF THE CARAVAN & MOTORHOME CLUB

MINUTES OF THE 440TH COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD AT SOURTON VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER 2018

PRESENT: Chairman - Mrs. Michelle Stuttaford

Treasurer - Mrs. Katrina Shipp

Secretary - Mrs. Sarah Vercoe

COMMITTEE: Mrs. Sue Biddle; Ms. Claire Madge; Ms. Sue Jackson

APOLOGIES: Ms. Clairann Foster Jeal; Mr. Stuart Sproat; Mr. Rob Biddle

Meeting opened at 7.30 pm.

77/18	MINUTES OF 439 th MEETING Agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman	
78/18	MATTERS ARISING To be dealt with later in the meeting.	
79/18	CORRESPONDENCE Letters re. Wessex Rep. (dealt with later); Club September update; Letter from Brian Philp re. Dinner Dance 2019; Public Liability Insurance; Centre Rallies Programme; Gloucester Centre 2500 th Celebration Rally; Driffield Showground Showcase Rally; Email from Derek Philp to Katrina (dealt with later)	
80/18	CHAIRMAN'S REPORT It's nearly December and Christmas is almost upon us. Although we are a small committee, we will still be as effective as ever, starting with the production of the rally book. Hopefully it will be available by post in the New Year. We will also be issuing an electronic version to save on cost to both parties.	

Electronically is definitely the way forward for the Centre and perhaps we could be neighbourly and print a version off for those less confident with IT. The rally book has a limited number of rallies, so hence a smaller rally book will be produced. The electronic version will also go on our Facebook page and on our website. Our annual Dinner Dance, has been moved from Dartmouth to Torquay due to an issue beyond our control. But with quick actions another venue was swiftly sorted. Claire Madge will also take over as the Steward running this event at the Abbey Sands Hotel. Slips to be sent to Claire for those wishing to attend the Dinner Dance evening or join us for the weekend. Please contact the Centre Secretary for details to forward on to Claire. Each steward from every rally held throughout the year is thought of with respect from the Committee in giving up your free time for us all to enjoy. Thank you. The New Year rally to be held at Charmouth is the last rally seeing 2018 out and 2019 in. Lastly Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year - see you on the rally field in 2019. SECRETARY'S REPORT Membership as at 10th November was: Lead Members - 2,544 Joint Members - 2,136 Family Members -54 Life Members 3 TREASURER'S REPORT Following discussion at the AGM about Flag Officers receiving free pitches when attending a rally, it was agreed that if a Committee member has booked to attend the rally and is then asked to take flag, they will not have their pitch fees refunded. Katrina to advise KS stewards about this and other items in due course. Discussion took place as to whether admin fees should be applied to business rallies, such as the Dinner/Dance.

Entertainment of Stewards – It was agreed to have a 'Thank the Stewards' event next year – further discussion to take place at the

January meeting.

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83/18	RALLY SECRETARY'S REPORT	
	Sue reported on the progress of the 2019 Rally Handbook. It was anticipated that 500 hard copies of the book would be printed. The cost to members of each copy will be £3. Advertising of the electronic version would be promoted by the Webmaster.	SS
	Distribution – Members to contact the Secretary to purchase a hard copy. They may also be available to purchase at events and rallies.	sv
84/18	CENTRE STORAGE	
	Stuart had researched costs of storage, availability of access and sizes of various containers and this was presented to the Committee. After discussion it was decided to sign a twelve month contract for a 40 sq.ft. container with Space Storage at Marsh Mills, Plymouth (near the A.38) at a cost of £750.	SS/KS
85/18	REGIONAL COUNCIL REPORT	
	Sarah attended the AGM and meeting afterwards. There will be a Members Question Time to be held at the Tank Museum, Bovington on 30 th March 2019. Warnings were given about pre-advertising absences from home on Facebook as it may invalidate insurance should a burglary take place. Advice was also given about checking the weights of caravans & motorhomes to avoid heavy fines if they are overweight. The question of what information can be put on an attendance list arose at the reps. Meeting and a disclaimer can be put on booking forms. Alternatively, the steward can hold a list which attendees of the rally may ask to see. The South West Region handbook is under way. Date of next meeting – 5 th January 2019 at Yeovil Golf Club at 11 am. Katrina and Sarah to attend as reps.	KS/SV
86/18	WESSEX	
	New Rep: Applications from Ann Parkinson and Paul Featherstone were read out and considered by the Committee. It was agreed that Lin Glanfield would continue as a Wessex Rep.	

	After discussion it was also agreed that Paul Featherstone would be the new Wessex Rep. Letters to be sent to both Paul and Ann thanking them for their interest in the position.	SV
87/18	PLAQUES Derek Philp had raised the possibility of stewards being able to purchase green plaques if they wished. It was agreed that the plaque order form would be edited. Birthday plaques are only for lead and joint members of the Centre, not children or other Centre members.	СМ
88/18	ANY OTHER BUSINESS It was agreed that the 4,000 th Rally and new flags be discussed at the January meeting. Katrina will update the list of Committee entitlements for committee members. Dates for the 2019 Rally Book – 2019 AGM – 11 th to 13 th October – Venue tba. Dinner/Dance 2020 – Date & Venue tba.	

Michelle thanked all the members and wished them a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and then the meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY, 13^{th} JANUARY, 2019 at the FOX & HOUNDS, BRIDESTOWE, OKEHAMPTON at 11.30 am.

M. Shitaford.	
	13 th January 2019
Michelle Stuttaford, Chairman	Date