

# The BMW Club

East Anglia Section

# Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Held at Fornham St Martin Village Hall

# The Meeting Started at 10:56 A.M.

The secretary welcomed all members present.

# **Count of Attending Members**

There were 21 full members present.

# **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Roy & Pat Laithwaite, Jim Moos, David & Carol Massey and Geoff & Ali Cadman.

# **Minutes of the Last AGM**

The minutes for the 2012 AGM have been available for viewing online and a copy was available at the meeting for anyone who had not seen them. No one needed to see the hard copy and they were adopted. A vote for adoption was taken that they were a true record of the proceeding.

# Proposed to adopt the minutes: Seconded:

Cliff Batley Dik Langan

A show of hands for the adoption of the minutes was taken: Accepted 20, Abstentions 1, Against 0.

# **Annual Reports**

# **The Secretary**

Thank you for coming along to the East Anglia Section 2013 AGM.

2013 has been a mixed year for the section but overall it has been another successful year, on the down side the Fakenham camping weekend was cancelled and our new social secretary did not last the year but at least the RBR did go ahead with about 14 members doing it.

The National rally at Framlingham took most of the time I had for the section this year and I have to say it was a total success again, Thanks to the efforts of Mark D, Peter D, Dik L, Dave Massey, Mike D and of course Jenny it all went very well, there were of course many other helper who contributed a considerable amount to of time and effort to making the whole event work and look like it had been organised by a team of professionals, of course much of this was

down to the staff at Fram college who did a great job again and enjoyed themselves while doing it as well.

Just before we left Framlingham on the Monday lunchtime Dan said to me "I will put 2017 in the diary for the next BMW Club Rally"

Looking back on the last year, it's fair to say that I have not had enough time to really do the job of Secretary properly, with the ABS, Framlingham and the national raffle to win the K1 I have been seriously over stretched this year, with the business and hopefully subject to agreement at the NCM at the end of the month another national raffle to organise for next year I have decided to resign as Secretary of the section, Dik has been doing most of the job for the last couple of years anyway it seems only right that he should have the title to go with the work he is doing any way, I would add that he has done a great job of looking after the website as well over the last few years.

We all need to keep the section active and interesting so that we can attract new members, our relationship with Cannons has been much better for the last few years thanks mainly to the efforts of Mike D, we need to continue this in the future, we have also had very good support from Lind Motorrad, I hope that this will continue though Lind will almost certainly be sold in the near future, hopefully it will be and will just move to new premises and we can continue our excellent relationship with Martin Pullen at Linds in the future.

I will continue to give customers journals in the ABS and push the club, I hope to have more time to attend club meetings in 2014 and also to make plans for a rally/camping event I would like to organise for 2015

That's it folks!

No questions were asked of the Secretary following their report.

#### **The Treasurer**

Jenny walked us through the company accounts, copies of which were available on each chair in the meeting and are on the web site for viewing.

No questions were asked of the Treasurer following their report.

#### **The Social Secretary**

The Social Secretary stepped down during the year and so was not available to make a report.

# **Adoption of the Reports**

Proposed to accept the Secretary's report: Gerry Douglas-Sherwood
Seconded: David White

Proposed to accept the Treasurer's report: Paul Round

Seconded: Gerry Douglas-Sherwood

Proposed to accept the Social Secretary's report: (not appropriate)
Seconded: (not appropriate)

The meeting voted to accept the presented reports unopposed.

# **Election of Officers**

The nomination for Secretary ~ Dik Langan

Nominated by: Mark Dutton Seconded: Cliff Batley

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for National Committee Representative ~ Dik Langan

Nominated by: Cliff Batley Seconded: Mark Dutton

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Social Secretary ~ Peter Dutton

Nominated by: Mark Dutton Seconded: Dik Langan

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Treasurer ~ Jenny Batley

Nominated by: Dik Langan Seconded: Mark Dutton

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Membership Processor ~ Dik Langan

Nominated by: Cliff Batley Seconded: Mark Dutton

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Web Master ~ Dik Langan

Nominated by: Cliff Batley Seconded: Mark Dutton

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Assistant Social Secretary ~ Mark Dutton

Nominated by: Dik Langan Seconded: Peter Dutton

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Committee Member ~ Cliff Batley

Nominated by: Dik Langan Seconded: Mark Dutton

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Committee Member ~ Kenneth Buchanan

Nominated by: Dik Langan Seconded: Mike Davies

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

The nomination for Committee Member ~ Mark Handley

Nominated by: Ian Sanders Seconded: Paul Round

The meeting voted to accept the nomination unopposed.

Cliff presented the figures for the National Rally that the East Anglia Section hosted for the Club. A copy of the figures was available at the top table but no one wished to check them, a copy is available on the web site. There were 350 to 360 attended, unfortunately that resulted in a loss of £1,112 (see the provided figures for a break down). Have since heard that the K1 might be up for sale by the winner but that is not confirmed and sounded unlikely to Cliff. A suggestion was made by Paul Round to have ride outs on both Saturday and Sunday or to make them moveable so as to avoid any adverse weather.

# **Nominations for Awards and Prizes**

A discussion was had and the following proposals were taken away by the committee for consideration:

- Hardman Trophy: Pete Wilson for completing the RBR after Robert dropped out
- Spanner in the Works: Paul Scrase for actually being as helpful as a spanner
- Spirit of the Section: for further consideration

# **East Anglia Trophy**

Gerry's was the only entry presented at the AGM but it was hoped there may be others before the Christmas do. In case there are not then we might struggle for a new challenge next year so it was proposed to have Mike Davies' shortened challenge (which he keeps in reserve just in case) ready.

# **Any Other Business**

### **Membership report**

On the  $1^{st}$  October last year there were 311 full members and 71 associates (total 382 members) and on the  $1^{st}$  October this year there were 291 full and 64 associate members (a total of 355) so overall a loss of 27 members which is less than 10%. Since then of course there has been the Copdock Show where we gained 10 new members.

#### **Dealer Liaison**

Mike Davies has kept up a great relationship with Canons and so will be the liaison person for them. The suggestion was that Dean Coston could be approached to be the Lind liaison. No one at the AGM visits SBW or Balderstones regularly enough to offer to be liason for them.

#### **Xmas Lunch**

This year will be at the Cock & Bell in Long Melford, the details will be discussed in the usual committee meeting and everyone will be notified as usual.

#### **Pubs in Norfolk & Essex**

Many names for pubs and cafes in Norfolk and Essex were put forward for Peter to consider in his new role as Social Secretary

# **Proposed events**

It was proposed that we should consider officially riding in to the Founder's Day event, David White offered to lead a ride-in to the Ipswich Transport Museum after the Orwell Truck Stop cafe meet and ideas were tabled for rides to Bletchley Park and the Muckleborough Collection.

# **Next AGM Meeting**

The next meeting with be held at Fornham Village Hall on Sunday 12th October 2014 at 11.00 A.M.

# Meeting close

There were no other iten	is for discussion and the	e meeting closed at 12:13.
Signed:	Date:	

Dik Langan East Anglia Section Secretary