

# Epynt Motor Club Ltd

## 2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes

The Institute, Llanwrtyd Wells, 20:00

### 1. Present & Apologies

Present:

Kate Jones (Chair), Daniel Harper (Company Secretary), Emma Lewis (Club Secretary), Jamie Pickup, Phil Baggett, Ceri Davies, Alis Davies, Sam Davies, Graham Tong, Mike Kennett, Brian Jones, John Morgan, Alun Probert, Neil Wozencraft.

Apologies:

Gerwyn Jones (President), Sophie Harper, Paul Jenkins, Roger Stevens, Ryan Davies, Jon Hawkins.

### 2. Minutes of the 2019 AGM

Kate welcomed everyone to the 2021 Annual General Meeting and noted that due to the COVID19 Pandemic there was no 2020 Annual General Meeting.

There were no matters arising. Alun proposed, seconded by Emma that the 2019 Minutes accepted as a true record of the meeting. This was accepted.

### 3. President's address

The following message was received from Gerwyn, who gave his apologies due to local cases of Covid:

Please accept my apologies for not being with you tonight but under the circumstances I felt it best not to come just in case. It has been a pleasure to be President although it's been in difficult times with not much going on, but I would like to personally thank all the members who put some much of their time and effort to make Epynt Motor Club such a good place to be involved in. I feel that the privilege of president should not go on longer than a couple of years as to give other deserving people a chance to be our president, but this is something I will leave with this meeting to determine.

### 4. Chair's report

Thank you to everyone for attending this important meeting, which is a positive sign of how much support there is for the club. Thank you also for the support I have been given over the last two years, which has made my job much easier.

There have been a number of highlights over the past two years since the last Annual General Meeting. Most notably through the pandemic we kept the club going through online quizzes and virtual navscatters, which were well received.

When restrictions lifted the club looked to re-start events as quickly and safely as possible within the relevant guidance. We organised different events including the summer BBQ and Epynt Social Run and we are looking forward to seeing the first navscatter run next month since February 2020.



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It has been really pleasing that despite restricted events the club has had its largest number of members for a number of years, both joining the club but also attending club meetings, which are now more productive, and the pub chat afterwards is great.

Auto tests have seen a dedicated following since restarting with the best entries in recent years. The Mewla also saw the biggest entry for a considerable number of years, boasting a nearly full entry.

Looking forward, we have dates for marshalling in the diary with the Tour of Epynt this weekend, and have plans for the Annual Dinner coming together. Whilst there won't be the usual number of awards it should still be a great night.

2022 will potentially see the most number of events run by the club for several years, with the proposed targa event planned to run alongside the second running of the Cambrian Mountain Tour, as well as the Mewla Rally and Powys Lanes Rally, which will be celebrating its tenth running.

It will be great to see so many of you supporting the club into 2022 and we hope to get back to a sense of normality, therefore please renew your membership. It has been a pleasure to see the club go from strength to strength over the last two years.

## 5. Treasurer's report

This year the club had an income of £2699.50 and outgoings of £3350.37, leaving a loss of £650.87. There is some membership income from the Mewla yet to come across, and there was the one off cost of PPE at £200 and the summer BBQ at £150. The current account currently sits at £467.15, with £4,000 sat in the deposit account, which incurred £0.40 interest over the year.

Bank charges have increased with the increased number of BACS transfers into the account and fewer cash deposits. Barclays offer different types of accounts and as the majority of our payments are now by BACS with fewer cheques and cash deposits, we may benefit from a different fee structure from the Bank. It was agreed Alun will discuss this with the bank to see if we would be better off to reduce the £128 bill this year. It is recognised that we did receive a £8.50 rebate for being a customer.

It was also asked if the Accountancy fees were competitive. Alun wasn't sure we have been with the accountants for at least 15 years, and they are where the registered company is registered. We also need to be mindful that the accounts need to be filled correctly. It was recognised that the fee was one of the largest outgoings but it has been a similar amount for a number of years, but we do need to keep an eye on it.

It was agreed for Alun to talk with Barclays regarding adding a second signatory and come back to a club meeting with the information to add a second person so we are covered should anything happen.

## 6. Election of President & Vice Presidents

Nominated President: Hughie James

Proposed by Alun Probert, seconded by Emma Lewis, all agreed.

It was agreed for a thank you letter to be sent to the outgoing President Gerwyn Jones, who will retain a Vice-Presidency.



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It was Proposed that Vaughan Allcock be stood down as a vice-president. This was agreed.

The following were nominated as additional Vice Presidents:

Brychan Davies – for long-standing membership as a founding member

Howard Watkins – for recognised long-term support of Epynt Motor Club and the Mewla Rally

Jimmy Davies – as Mayor of Llanwrtyd and former Club Secretary

Vice Presidents: Lt.Col Timothy Van Rees, Myrddin Parry, Gerald Evans, Edna James, Peter Sutton, Chippy & June Wood, Peter James, Brian Dennis, Andrew Bufton, Mike Summerfield, Brychan Davies, Howard Watkins, Jimmy Davies, Gerwyn Jones.

It was noted that some Vice-Presidents for a member of years have not engaged or responded to their nomination, therefore vice-presidents who do not respond this year will be stood-down from this honorary position. Emma to keep a list and record.

## 7. Election of Directors

Current: Alun Probert, Brian Jones, Hughie James, Mike Kennett, Ceri Davies, Daniel Harper, Emma Lewis, Kate Jones

No objections were received. Proposed by Graham Tong, seconded by John Morgan and accepted en bloc.

## 8. Election of Life Members

It was asked what the requirement was for a Life Member, Dan read out the criteria.

It was proposed that current founding members are given Life Membership in recognition of their long-standing support for the club. Alun proposed, seconded by Graham that Mike Kennett and Hughie James receive Life Membership, this was accepted.

Life Members: Christine Evans, Hughie James, Mike Kennett

## 9. Election of Club Officials

The following members were nominated and elected as Club Officials:

- a. Chair: Kate Jones
- b. Vice-Chair: Ceri Davies
- c. Club Secretary: Emma Lewis
- d. Treasurer: Alun Probert
- e. Membership Secretary: Alis Davies
- f. Championship Secretary: Brian Jones, Emma Lewis to assist



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- g. Navscatter Co-Ordinator: Brian Jones, Jamie Pickup to assist
- h. Auto Test Co-Ordinator: Neil Wozencraft
- i. Chief Marshal: Mike Kennett
- j. Club Shed & Equipment Officer: Paul Jenkins with support from Ryan Davies, Sam Davies, Myles Glossop, Phil Baggett
- k. Media Team: Daniel Harper, Alis Davies, Emma Lewis, Kate Jones, Jon Hawkins, Neil Wozencraft
- l. WAMC representatives: Mike Kennett (Southern Centre), Jamie Pickup (AGM)
- m. Safeguarding Officers: Daniel Harper & Graham Tong
- n. Club Clothing Officer: Sophie Harper
- o. Social & Virtual Events Officer: Sophie Harper

## 10. Amendments to the Club membership fee

Fees are currently £10 for single membership and £15 for partner membership.

The treasurer is happy for the current rate to continue. It was agreed to remain at this rate for 2022.

## 11. Amendments to the Clubs Rules as proposed by the Directors

Following discussion with MotorsportUK there was a minor point about policies missing from the Club Rules, this has been added. There were also a couple of alterations to the Club Officer roles which are now reflected in the rules as follows:

### **Addition to Section 7 of the Club Rules:**

#### **(a) Championship Secretary**

The Championship Secretary will support the auto test and navscatter coordinators and oversee clubman level events. They will keep records of the club and marshal championships, and ensure that updates are communicated with members. Ideally they should be able to attend club events.

#### **(b) Auto Test Coordinator**

The Auto Test Coordinator is responsible for organising and helping promote the auto test championship. They will organise dates, venues, permits and marshals for auto tests and will ensure the smooth running of events. They will keep records of the auto test championships and ensure that updates are communicated with members. Ideally they should be able to attend all auto tests.

#### **(c) Navscatter Coordinator**

The Navscatter Coordinator is responsible for organising and helping promote the navscatter championship. They will organise dates, venues and permits for navscatters and will ensure the smooth running of events, including liaison with the Route Liaison Officer. They will keep records of the navscatter championships and ensure that updates are communicated with members. Ideally they should be able to attend all navscatters.



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## (d) Social and Virtual Events Coordinator

The Social and Virtual Events Coordinator is responsible for organising and helping promote a range of social and virtual events to complement the club calendar.

### Addition to Section 23:

Club members are bound to the policies of the club, those being: Equality, Safeguarding, GDPR and Social Media. Policies can be found at: <https://www.epyntmc.co.uk/club/club-minutes>

## 12. Any other business

1. Jamie raised there had been a WAMC Road Rally Committee meeting recently, and the plan is for the championship to resume in 2022 with the RLO happy for full events to take place from next year to reflect the current position in North Wales.
2. Alun mentioned that the recent Social Run made a profit of £168, with only one more expense of a photo for the sponsor to be brought.
3. Gerwyn Jones has offered the club £500 to support younger members. Kate asked for ideas on what we could do with this donation. Suggestions were:
  - a. Aid for BARS tests
  - b. £25 / £50 grants for younger members under 30 to apply for to support motorsport activities (event entries, equipment etc.)
  - c. A navigational training and promotion event to reflect the current shortage of navigators.Kate will take the grant idea to Gerwyn and if agreed, this can be advertised in the newsletter with a February closing date, simple application form and small panel to discuss applications. Kate to confirm at the next meeting.

**The meeting closed at: 21:40**

**The next Annual General Meeting will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022**



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