



**Minutes of the 509th Committee Meeting of the West Sussex Centre
of the Caravan and Motorhome Club held at The White Swan, Arundel,
West Sussex on Wednesday 8th January 2020 at 7.30 p.m.**

7.35 p.m.

1. Apologies for absence: Sam Wood (SW)

2. Attendees:

Peter Fitzgerald Chair (PF), Nick Harris Secretary (NH), John Woodward Treasurer (JW), Carol Wightman Rally Secretary (CW), Janine Aylmore (JA), Janet Fitzgerald (JF) Dave Wightman (DW) and Keith Wood (KW)

PF welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 508th meeting were approved; having been proposed by CW and seconded by JW.

.4. Matters Arising

Nil

5.Actions from minutes 508.

Nil

6. Notification of any other Business

JF AGM

7. Secretary's Report

Centre membership since last meeting. Total 1804 up from 1802, Lead 977 up from 973, joint 792 down from 793 and family 34. 2 life members.

Since last meeting we have had 17 new members, 22 re registered, 3 rejoined, 1 resigned, 1 transferred and 22 not renewed to centre.

8. Treasurer's Report

JW's report was circulated before the meeting.

Investment with Caravan Club = £7,769.40, Youth Account = £851.80, Charity Account = £92.07 and Business Account = £4,016.97

JW reiterated the need for members who purchase anything for the running of the centre or rallies to obtain a VAT receipt. He is able to claim VAT back which boosts centre funds. NH stated he will put this on our Facebook page. **NH to deal.**

9. Hon Rally Secretary's Report

Nil to report. The following was discussed. Venues for 2021 Bank Holiday rallies. Alternative venue for Holy Trinity New year rally should New Years Eve fall on a Sunday.

10. Southern Centres (SC)

Nil to report

11. South East Region (SER)

Nil to report

12. Committee with responsibilities:-

- a. Rally Book 2020. Nil to report
- b. Web site. All up to date.
- c. Centre equipment. Nil to report
- d. Plaques. Nil to report
- e. Rally Risk Assessment. A permanent ongoing item.

13. KW on behalf of SW- New Year Rally 2019

SW felt that the evening was too long and could have been started later. The whole format was discussed with various views being given ie band versus Disco, full dinner versus buffet.

It was decided that whatever we do needs advertising earlier.

14. AOB

JF – AGM. The provision of post AGM entertainment /food was highlighted by JF. This was discussed with various views being presented. To be an agenda item.

PF – New members. PF proposed that we try and attract new ralliers by having a stall or similar as he was aware of had happened elsewhere. We could then show people that you can use your set up 'off grid' and survive. DW reported that we may be able to do this at Ardingly.

15. Date and venue of next meeting.

Wednesday 12th February 2020. The White Swan, Arundel.

Meeting ended at 8.25 pm. JF thanked everyone for attending.

Nick Harris

Secretary