



**Minutes of the 510th Committee Meeting of the West Sussex Centre
of the Caravan and Motorhome Club held at The White Swan, Arundel,
West Sussex on Wednesday 12th February 2020 at 7.30 p.m.**

7.30 p.m.

1. Apologies for absence: Dave Wightman (DW)

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), Sam Wood (SW), and Keith Wood (KW)

PF welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 509th meeting were approved; having been proposed by JA and KW.

.4. Matters Arising

Nil

5.Actions from minutes 509.

NH to put entry on facebook about VAT receipts. Done

6. Notification of any other Business

JF Easter Rally

7. Secretary's Report

Centre membership since last meeting.

Total 1867 up from 1804, Lead 1013 up from 977, joint 822 up from 792 and family 30 down from 34. 2 life members.

Since last meeting we have had 54 new members, 28 re registered, 18 rejoined, 4 resigned, 1 transferred and 33 not renewed to centre.

22nd Jan.

E mail from SER Karen Shipper re SER Reps. CAMC have decreed that SER reps must be committee members and our two are not.

I advised Karen that most of our committee work and live a two hour drive away and there is no appetite to be a rep. She stated she will go back to CAMC about this. Also advised that there are only two meetings a year now plus the SER AGM.

5th Feb.

E mail from L Manning re S Centres Bi-AGM asking for someone to attend on 19th February.

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E mail from Joy Threadgold Chair of North Essex who are running a Past Chairman rally. Held at Saffron Walden 25-29 June. £10.00 per night, £4.00 admin and £60.00 per person social fee.

8. Treasurer's Report

JW's report was circulated before the meeting.

Investment with Caravan Club = £7,847.29, Youth Account = £851.80, Charity Account = £92.08 and Business Account = £3,149.99

JW explained the end of the year report on the centre accounts which was agreed and signed up ready to be submitted to CAMC.

9. Hon Rally Secretary's Report

CW reported that she has confirmed the following BH venues for 2021. Easter will be at Pierpont Farm, Frensham in the lower field. 26-30 August at Exbury.

CW reported that we are having difficulties with running rallies on CAMC sites. CAMC now require the rally officers to supply a list of attendees **28** days before the rally. Also, if we have not used all the allocated pitches the CAMC will take them back. This means that should a member wish to book on the rally in that 28 day period they may well not be able to. It was felt that this makes running a rally on a CAMC site very awkward.

10. Southern Centres (SC)

Bi Annual AGM 19th February 2020.

11. South East Region (SER)

Report as at 7 above.

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. AGM 2020

NH reported that this will be a standing item from now. This was discussed and agreed that we will put on entertainment, hopefully a disco and a cold meal (we have no cooking facilities) in the evening. **KW to research a disco.** Any other ideas will be considered.

14. Valentines Rally 2020

NH raised this as it is a committee run rally. This was discussed and help to set up the hall would be appreciated from 1:30 pm on Saturday 15th.

15. Computers

NH and JW raised the matter of the demise of windows 7 which is the platform used to run the centre accounts, records and all matters relating to the club. Long story short is that windows 7 is no longer supported. NH and JW have both made enquires which reveal that the current lap top for secretary use should have been replaced 3 years ago. The treasurer has a computer which is used for three different clubs. 30% of its usage is on WSCC business.

This was discussed at length and the following agreed. JW to liaise with Peter Miller from CAMC regarding the drawing down of funds from monies held on deposit with CAMC. JW is also to make enquiries regarding the moving of monies held in the youth account into the centre funds.

A new lap top to be purchased to replace the secretary's machine. A new stand alone to be purchased by the treasurer with a percentage of funding from the centre.

16. New Year Rally 2020/2021

NH raised this for a decision to be made as to whether this event should go ahead. This was discussed. It was generally felt that much of the running of this event fell on the shoulders of a small number of the committee.

We have had negative feedback about the event in regards to several matters and it was not well supported by our members. After some discussion it was agreed that this rally will be cancelled for this year. **NH to put this on facebook, CW will post on web site.**

17. AOB

JF raised the running of the Easter Rally by the committee. She reported that we need to ensure that we do not end up working all the time. NH reported that other centre members are asking for an itinerary. The following was agreed. Thursday evening nothing planned. Friday there will be hot cross buns at about 11:00 and a music quiz in the evening. Saturday breakfast buns will be supplied and 'Bulls Eye' in the evening. Sunday will be film night and weather permitting a communal bar be que in the afternoon..

18. Date and Time of next meeting

Wednesday 11th March 2020. The White Swan, Arundel.

Meeting ended at 9.00 pm. JF thanked everyone for attending.

Nick Harris. Secretary

