



**Annual General Meeting  
14 Mar 2016 at 12:00 noon  
British Motor Museum, GAYDON, CV35 0BJ**

**Agenda**

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Minutes of 2015 AGM ~ Approval & Matters Arising
4. Chairman's Report & Questions
5. Treasurer's Report & Questions
6. Proposals & Elections of Officers
7. Presentation of Awards

Lunch Break

8. Open Forum Questions/Discussion

**Minutes**

**Committee:** Tony Cottrell(TC), Matthew Maneely(MM), Ralph Dodds(RD), Richard Sails(RS), Mervyn Larnar(ML), Mandy O'Neale(MO), Graham Walden(GW), Alayne Samuels(AS), Mike Hardy(MH), Zoe Mortimer(ZM), Geoff Gwynne (GG) David Hathersall (DH)

**In Attendance:** Alison Brown(AB), Ann Ray(AR), Paul Blackwell (PB), Jonathan Lowey(JL)

<b>Item</b>		<b>Actioner</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tony Cottrell welcomed &amp; thanked everyone for attending the meeting.</li><li>• He then introduced the Committee etc.</li></ul>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paul Calland, John Hasell</li><li>• 81 members had returned postal ballot forms.</li></ul>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of 2015 AGM ~ Approval &amp; Matters Arising:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mervyn Larnar pointed out a "typo". The minutes were approved.</li></ul>	
<b>4 &amp; 5</b>	<b>Committee Reports &amp; Questions:</b> ~ See Appendix 1 & Draft Accounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tony explained that the main aim of the Committee was providing benefits for members and promoting the TVR marque. His report covered:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The links with TVR Automotive means that our Club will be amongst the first to hear of developments. Expect some exciting news shortly.</li><li>• Review of 2015 Events</li><li>• Review of 2015 Shows</li><li>• Added value for Members</li><li>• Regions</li><li>• Sprint</li><li>• Updated website</li></ul></li><li>• Tony thanked everyone that had contributed to a successful year.</li><li>• Matt explained the main features of the accounts for year ended 30-Sep-15. Income had increased as a result of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events. Postage costs have increased disproportionately. Reserves have decreased as planned because some of our reserves were spent on 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events.</li></ul>	

Matt explained that being a membership organisation where the Directors were unpaid volunteers, the Directors felt it necessary to have an annual audit to both protect themselves and to provide assurance to members over the stewardship of the Club's funds. He is in the process of benchmarking the fees for the audit to ensure that we obtain value for money for this service.

The auditors have approved the accounts without qualification,

- Tony continued by outlining the main events for 2016, which starts with our season opener at Burghley House in April and ends with the NEC Show in November. Tony said the Committee had initiated a full regalia review and samples will be on show during the lunch break.

## 6 Proposals & Election of Officers:

- **Adopt Financial Statements for year ended 30-Sep-15**  
For: 120, Against 0, Abstain 6
- **Increase Renewal Membership by £2.00(UK), £4.00(Overseas) from 1-Oct-16**  
For: 122, Against 4, Abstain 1
- **Appoint Lewis Brownlee as Auditors**  
For: 113, Against 1, Abstain 10

Tony passed the Chairmanship to Matthew Maneely.

- **Chairman: Tony Cottrell**  
For: 122, Against 0, Abstain 1

Matt returned the Chairmanship to Tony Cottrell.

- **Deputy Chairman: Matthew Maneely**  
For: 122, Against 0, Abstain 2
- **Treasurer:**  
No Nomination
- **Secretary: Mervyn Larner**  
For: 125, Against 0, Abstain 0
- **Archivist: Richard Sails**  
For: 122, Against 1, Abstain 1
- **Sprint Editor: Mandy O'Neale**  
For: 123, Against 1, Abstain 0
- **Deputy Editor: David Hothersall**  
For: 122, Against 2, Abstain 0
- **Events Manager: Alayne Samuels**  
For: 123, Against 1, Abstain 0
- **Events Deputy: Geoff Gwynne**  
For: 124, Against 0, Abstain 0
- **Public Relations/Marketing: Ralph Dodds**  
For: 122, Against 0, Abstain 3
- **RO Co-ordinator: Mervyn Larner**  
For: 122, Against 1, Abstain 0
- **IT Manager: Mike Hardy**  
For: 125, Against 0, Abstain 0
- **Competition Secretary: Graham Walden**  
For: 123, Against 0, Abstain 1
- **Special Projects: Zoe Mortimer**  
For: 124, Against 0, Abstain 0

There was 1 spoilt ballot.

## 7 **Presentation of Awards** ~ See Appendix

### **Trevor Wilkinson Trophy:**

Ralph explained Trevor's Trophy was for the best restoration completed in 2015. There were 4 outstanding entries, each of which could have won in other years. The award this year belongs to Brian Pailing for his Taimar restoration because of the low starting point. It brought a TVR "back from the dead".

### **Folkard Cup**

Mervyn explained this award was for an RO that has made the greatest contribution in the year. It is always difficult to pick one person from amongst 40+ and in previous years the award had often gone to a long serving RO. This year the award belongs to Richard Walton (RO for High Peak Region). In just under 2 years Richard has re-established the region, run regular meets and a full programme of events.

### **Scott-Moncrieff Trophy**

Graham explained the history of the trophy. This year's winner, Steve Glynn, is a long time TVR racer, starting out in the Tuscan Challenge and now racing his LS powered Sagaris. In 2015 Steve won the Britcar Trophy Championship. It is for this and his long term TVR racing career that Steve is awarded the trophy.

## **Lunch Break**

## 8 **Open Forum Questions/Discussion**

- Q Could the accounts be presented in a format that was more accessible to a layperson? Perhaps graphically?
- A The existing format was required for a limited company, but we will look at what is possible for 2015~16 accounts. MM/TC
- Q As producing and distributing Sprint is such a major cost, could Sprint be available digitally with a reduced membership fee?
- A While it's true that this would save postage costs, the magazine would still need to be designed etc. and producing fewer printed copies would not reduce the print run costs significantly as extra copies are relatively cheaper. Many members seem to value the paper copy. When those present at the meeting were asked, the overwhelming majority wanted the paper copy. The digitisation of back copies is continuing.
- Q Some members' Sprint are suffering postal delays. Can we do anything about this?
- A Jon Lowey explained the dispatch process, once delivered to the "mail house" it was beyond our control. It was suggested that members check that the office has their address in the full Royal Mail format.
- Q Some members using tablets to access the forum were experiencing format error, particularly when trying to upload picture or use "smileys". This was driving members to use alternative social media.
- A The forum uses software that is difficult to update and if we moved to a more user friendly system there is a risk that much value history and information would be lost. A member volunteered to help with a possible update. PC/DH
- Q Why only 80 postal votes?
- A Mervyn explained that he had emailed all ROs asking them to encourage their members to vote. Maybe it was the cost of postage and if there was a contested election more would vote? He was also thinking about voting via the Forum. ML/PC
- Mike Hardy explained the ease of changing Forum passwords via the Club Office.
  - Tony explained the thinking behind the purchase and future use of the "Event Vehicle".
  - Zoe encouraged ROs and members to support the TVR Drive It Day:14-Aug-16

There were no further questions or comments.  
Meeting closed at 15:45.

**Mervyn Lerner**  
**Club Secretary**

**Appendix:** 2015 Annual Review  
2014~15 Annual Accounts