

**Minutes of TVRCC Committee Meeting  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009, from 9.30am  
Heritage Motor Centre, Gaydon, Warwickshire.**

**Present:** Jeremy Blandford (JB) Pietro Abate Ralph Dodds (RD) (PA) Pauline Frost (PF) Sharon Blanchard (SB) Mandy O’Neale (MO) Nick Kay (NK) Graham Walden (GW) Andy Race (AR) Grant Crouch (GC) Alison Brown (AB)

**Guests:** Ray Frost, Dave Blanchard, Carol Folkard, Kathryn Reddy, Jon Lowey, Bob Jones

**Apologies:** Matthew Maneely & Richard Sails

Minutes of previous meeting had been adopted online.  
No matters arising from those minutes.

Disciplinary hearing for Member 21885, Mr Paul Bennett.

Jeremy outlined Mr Bennett’s actions that had resulted in a warning last August in relation to posts on the TVRCC forum. All emails and letters had been copied to the committee.

Most recent PH thread had surely been damaging to the club, the posts from Mr Bennett had brought the club in to disrepute. MO felt that the implication that the TVRCC was insolvent would discourage potential new members. MO also said she was nervous about posting replies on both PH and the TVRCC forums.

- The committee vote on Mr Bennett’s possible expulsion from the club under section 11 of the Mem & Arts was deferred until later in the meeting, as Mr Bennett had been asked to present to the committee at 10.30am.

NK suggested that the expulsion of individuals from the TVRCC should be on a permanent basis, this would be reviewed in the future by the serving committee.

This matter was postponed until after the 10.30 meeting with Mr Bennett.

PF was disappointed that despite the voting form being released early, only the same % of members had cast a vote. Apathy appears to rule or a ‘given’ confidence in the proposed committee up for election.

**National Events**

NK had been approached by the S Club Heaven team to see if the club as a whole was planning to mark the anniversary of Trevor’s passing one year on?

SB suggested having a low-key trophy to be awarded each June?

RD suggested a drive/rally?

SB suggested a rally plaque or sticker?

RD suggested a free plaque with every purchase of classic regalia?

AB presented samples of the Classics Range, this would be advertised in June’s Sprint to mark the anniversary.

After much discussion it was felt that each event might wish to do their own memorial and NK and SB would liase with the single model meet organisers to see what they wanted to do?

**Donington TVR XX-TC meet.**

Area had now been finalised – camping by the paddock entrance, Member’s parking in paddock 3.

The evening BBQ would need a sponsor. NK and JB to meet with potential sponsors and report back to the committee. NK had obtained approximate prices for the BBQ. Complimentary tickets would be issued free of charge to all members that pre-booked.

NK to report back to the committee on the arrangements for the evening function as confirmed. JB to liase with Matt on cost.

AB

NK &  
SB

## Editorial

MO all aspects of Sprint/editorial were running well, no matters for discussion.

## Motorsport

Spending for the 07-08 year had been low.

The Sprinting continued to grow guided by Steve Cox. Numbers of entrants were good.

Motorsport was achieving large numbers on the grid, up on the numbers of the previous season. TVRs are now running in Britcar and Dutch Supercar.

RD asked if Graham could help with updating the motorsport content on the website. GW & RD to update as soon as possible.

June Sprint copy to be write up of Donington TVR XX-TC event; GW & events team to send copy to Mandy.

## Track Days

Dates were now fixed for 2009, three dates 2 shared with Easytrack and one TVRCC only day at Cadwell. Dates had been put on the website and advertised in Sprint. Bookings would be processed through the club office.

Oulton Park too expensive and no suitable dates were available.

## Registrar

Nothing to report to the committee.

10.50am the committee returned to the matter of Mr Bennett.

Mr Bennett had not attended at the proposed time to discuss his conduct with the committee.

NK proposed that Mr Bennett be expelled from the TVRCC under article 11 of the Mem & Arts of TVRCC Ltd and the expulsion would be permanent. Seconded by RD

7 votes FOR,

0 against

3 abstentions.

Passed by unanimous vote.

RS had voted via committee forum as he was unable to attend the meeting due to work commitments.

JB to draft a letter to Mr Bennett for approval by the directors. MM to refund any subscription costs to Mr Bennett via cheque/bank transfer.

## AOB

RD introduced Bob Jones (Bristol Region) he had volunteered for the Marketing Manager's position and was to work along side Ralph until he was happy to take on the role. Bob's background was in marketing. JB welcomed Bob on board.

SB to investigate Ebay business seller for TVRCC regalia and compiling a member's best routes section on the club's website.

PA warned all committee members to update their home PC's for virus checks, as new viruses were imminent.

MO Suggested that other car clubs of similar size outsourced their regalia sales, JB to investigate.

PF Asked that the awarding of trophies be added to the agenda for the AGM, action JB.

JB outlined to the committee for the AGM, which was to immediately follow the committee meeting.

Meeting closed 11.45am.

GW  
RD  
NK

JB  
MM

SB  
ALL

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Adopted – proposed by Pietro Abate & seconded by Sharon Blanchard Voted: Unam.