

**Chiltern MCC - Committee Meeting 13 October 2018**  
**Held at Padworth Village Hall**

Present:

- Mick Mead, Chairman
- Robin Spence, Vice Chairman
- Emlyn Evans, Treasurer
- Martin Borrill, Rally Officer
- Julie Noakes (minutes)
- Caroline Blackwell
- Andy Blackwell

Apologies:

- Wendy Jefferson, Secretary
- Ian Jefferson, Web Master

**Actions required in bold**

1. Christmas Rally 2018

It was agreed that we would change the start time of this event to 6pm in order to give us the opportunity to offer pre-dinner drinks to the participants. **CB was asked to email the attendees to inform them of this change and to request that they bring their own glasses to the meal.**

Chris and Mike Bedwell have said that they would like to prepare and dispense these drinks – hot mulled wine – and the Committee agreed to this suggestion. **AB/CB agreed to purchase soft drinks for those preferring a non-alcoholic alternative.**

It was suggested that we should purchase wine for the tables at dinner as we have done in the past. **AB/CB were asked to purchase this.**

EE has booked the caterers for this event and, on checking their contract, was able to confirm they will provide crockery and cutlery for the event. **EE was asked to check if the caterers were able to provide one child's meal and also what was the latest date we could confirm we would need them to provide this.**

There followed a discussion about decorating the hall. It was decided we needed to purchase some Christmas decorations, rolls of table clothes, serviettes and crackers. **AB/CB were asked to check at Costco what was available and at what cost.** They were given a budget for this given that the decorations would be able to be stored for use in future years.

**MM/JN said they would purchase some raffle prizes within a stated budget.**

It was agreed that we needed to provide some games/activities on the Friday evening and this would be discussed at a later date. Saturday morning a group walk would be organised (weather permitting, of course) – possibly to the new garden centre which is about 2-3 miles from the site. Mince pies would then be provided at 3pm.

**RS to ask Pearl Spence to purchase these. CB to provide total number of visitors to Pearl.**

Peter Randall is providing the music following the meal and it was understood it had been agreed by the previous Committee that his camping fee would be waived as remuneration for his services.

**MM agreed to produce rally programme with events outlined as above.**

## 2. Communications

Paul Prebble has agreed to give details of our current Website to IJ. **IJ would then look at our options for a new website for the Group.**

It was felt that we only needed one Facebook page for the Group and that this should be the one that Graham and Ian set up last year as this enables Chiltern Members to post comments, pictures, etc.

The WhatsApp page set up by CB was proving a great success and this should be continued with Group members being encouraged to join.

## 3. Rally Information

MM told the meeting that we needed to let Head Office have a list of our rallies for 2019 for entry in the Club Year Book as soon as possible following the Group's AGM. This would be difficult this year as we plan to book around 10 more rallies for 2019 but **MB/MM would do their best to have these organised as soon as possible.**

It was agreed that we would not put co-ordinates into the rally book this year.

MM informed the Committee that any changes to our rally programme during the year needed to be communicated to Head Office to enable them to inform our insurance providers.

## 4. Signatories for cheque books

It was agreed that EE (Treasurer), WJ (Secretary) and RS (Vice Chairman) would be signatories on the Group's bank account. **EE to inform Paul Prebble so that he can make arrangements for the changes to be made with the bank.** This changeover may take some time and so the previous signatories would need to be asked to sign cheques, if required, in the interim.

EE informed the meeting that once the changes had been made he would be looking into Internet Banking for the Group. All Committee members would be given details of the account to enable them to bank rally money if required.

## 5. Rally Packs

MM/JN to administer these.

## 6. First Aid Kits

The previous Committee had purchased First Aid Kits for each Committee Member. The current Committee Members were not happy with the idea of administering first aid as, with the exception of RS, we were not qualified First Aiders. There was also the problem of items in the Kits becoming out of date.

## 7. Chiltern President

Bet and Del Gosling have, regrettably, decided to sell their motorhome and will, therefore, no longer be able to rally with the Group. After some discussion, the nominee for the new Group President was agreed. **MM to speak to Del and the nominee re the changeover and to formally write to the nominee to invite him to take up the Presidency.** It was agreed that the changeover should take place at the Christmas Dinner.

## 8. Rally Programme 2019

It was agreed that more sites need to be booked for next year and MM/MB will work on this as soon as possible. The following suggestions were made:

- Friars Court – move from May Day to an ordinary weekend. Try to book Bourton for this weekend.
- Queens Acre Windsor – move weekend in order to facilitate Stoke Bruerne at War weekend.
- Easter – MM to book the site at California Cliffs, Caistor on Sea.
- Holiday Rally – MM to book site at Brixham for a week in September.

MM ran through a further list of possible sites for weekends in 2019.

## 9. Next Committee Meeting

Diamond Farm Rally February 2019 (although following a subsequent discussion this may change to a separate weekend meeting in January).