MOTORCYCLE GROUP
Of the Motor Caravanners' Club

Committee Meeting Minutes
26th August 2026 at 1.45pm
Upper Brailes, Banbury OX15 5AS

Present:

Martin Borrill (MB)– Chairman
Ian Jefferson (IJ)– Vice Chairman/Web Master
Wendy Jefferson(WJ) – Secretary
Sue Louch (SL) – Treasurer
Steve Louch (StL) – Rally Officer
Noreen Borrill (NB) - Scribe
Jane Cowley (JC)– Committee Member
Sean Cowley (SC) – Committee Member
Nick Moore (NM) – Committee Member

The Meeting was formally convened by WJ and MB thanked everyone for attending.

1. **Approval of Minutes of the last meeting.**
   MB asked for confirmation that everyone approved the Minutes of the last meeting. All approved.

2. **Matters Arising on previous Minutes.**
   None.

3. **Matters to be discussed**

(a) MCG AGM 2026

StL confirmed there were two free stewards places which it was agreed would be divided between the committee members. 25 members in all had booked – 15 with electric and 10 without.

StL also said that there were two free places the night before the rally. After discussion it was agreed that 4 committee vans (8 members) would travel to Hayle on the 6th September in order to be able to set up in time for members to arrive on the 7th.

It was also decided that we have a rota on the 7th September for the hours that members would be arriving, with the first 2 couples covering the first hour, the second 2 couples covering the second hour, and a repeat for the next two hours.

Shon had offered to pay for a buffet for the group during the rally to celebrate his 80th birthday which was on the first Wednesday the 9th September. SL suggested we get a supermarket delivery to the site, and she and JC said they would organise the buffet. SL said she would purchase a birthday card for members to sign. MB said we had had an offer of high powered disco speakers and lights and suggested having outdoor music. After discussion it was thought that this might upset the site owners and local residents and it was therefore decided not to, but instead have some quiet music in the background.

SL and JC to action

With regard to the AGM itself at the nearby village hall, it was agreed after discussion that we would just hold the AGM itself at the hall, providing tea coffee and biscuits between the AGM and the Members Meeting, and that we would have sausages and cider (weather permitting) back at the site later in the afternoon. The hall would be hired from 9.00am to 2.00pm and JC and NB would do the signing in. We would purchase the sausages from a local butchers which we would find whilst in Hayle and do a click and collect for the rolls from a nearby supermarket.

In addition to the above we would also have a couple of quiz evenings and card bingo evenings, and a Team Games Afternoon followed by a Cornish cream tea. IJ said he would prepare score sheets for the various games. IJ suggested the Club purchase a microphone which could be used for the quizzes and other forms of entertainment and all agreed this would be useful. He had seen one for just under £100.00. IJ said he would purchase one in time for the holiday AGM rally.

IJ to action

It was agreed that we would not hold a raffle at this rally – there was already going to be one at the rally before at Daisy Farm.

WJ said she would prepare an Itinerary to give to the members on arrival at the rally.

WJ to action

MB said he had sorted out some rideouts to do at the rally (subject to the weather) and these would be included in the Itinerary.

MB suggested he put a message on our "announcements" section of WhatsApp asking if anybody else was interested in being nominated to go onto the Committee. All agreed he should do this.

MB to action

SC said he would like to give a Questionnaire to members at the AGM rally to complete and return to the Committee. This was to gain information from members as to their preferences regarding the rallies and their likes and dislikes. He had drafted a Questionnaire which WJ said she would type and send to the Committee for approval before it was photocopied and distributed. IJ suggested it be emailed to all MCG members and all agreed.

WJ to action

(b) Officers' Reports

Treasurer – SL said that we had £103.88 in the current account, and £5,102.19 in the deposit account. £1,350.00 of this money represented deposits for the AGM rally which would shortly be paid. She said we were in a very healthy financial position. It had been very difficult balancing the accounts and preparing them for the forthcoming AGM for various reasons and that Allison Madison the verifier had been very helpful. It was agreed she be given a voucher for 2 free nights at any MCG rally to show our appreciation. IJ said he would prepare a voucher. SL announced that she would be standing down at next year's AGM in 2027.

IJ to action

Webmaster – IJ said that when the next invoice arrived in respect of website costs he would be seeking to reduce it. It was currently in excess of £170.00 a year. All agreed.
So far as Insignia was concerned, there had been very little response to the suggestion of introducing different clothing, and he proposed to leave it as it was with just T shirts, stickers and flags. All agreed.

Scribe – NB confirmed that she was still standing down this year, but would be happy to carry on being Scribe unless and until somebody else wished to take it over.

Secretary – WJ announced that she intended to stand down at next year's AGM in 2027.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 5.15pm. The next committee meeting will take place immediately after the AGM on the 12th September 2026.