

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4 AUGUST 2010

(Minutes taken by Debbie Don in absence of Club Secretary)

Present

Dave Charman, Eric Clarke, Malcolm Coles, Richard Coles, Debbie Don, Rob Edwards, Danny Haste, Jo Jenkins, Pete Jenkins, Stuart Read.

Apologies for Absence

Carol Dark.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulated by e-mail and approved.

Matters Arising

Nothing new.

Secretary's Report

Carol sent a message to say that she has still not received the Policy Documents from the BMF, and that she has chased this up and has been assured it should be received shortly.

Treasurer's Report

Current account £252.37 and Tracker account £12,643.75.

Editor's Report

Debbie was pleased to report that a number of articles had been sent to her for the latest E News.

Membership Secretary's Report

Membership now stands at 111 – still a little down on numbers from last year.

Two new adult members and two new juniors this month – Kevin & Jack Barker and Mark and Adam Dell.

We now have 64 adult members, 10 honorary, 36 junior and 1 social.

Competition Secretary's Report

Eric thanked those who organised & attended the Ockley camping weekend and Sam Connor training in July.

South Coast Trial 8 August – Eric noted that volunteers are still required to observe. Stuart volunteered to buy some more staple guns and staples before the event, and Eric will collect the laying out gear from Pete Jenkins. Eric will check whether catering will be available, so that observers can be provided with food. Eric will also check with Tony Martin regarding ACU returns post event.

Evening trial 11 August – Pete, Dave & Richard will lay out on Tuesday evening, and Pete will bring the BBQs etc along on the day.

Volunteers at events – it was noted that the volunteering links are not appearing on the diary dates on the website, and Eric will speak to Bruce about reinstating the links.

Social Secretary

Jo reported that plans for the August camping weekend are well underway:

- Marquee is booked and will be erected hopefully on the preceding Thursday;
- Toilets are booked;
- Patrick has arranged for the skip and BBQs;
- Stuart Read has the entertainment for Saturday night in hand and will report to Jo asap. Jo is to ask Trevor if he has a microphone that can be used, and is also to ask Rick Parish if he still has and can bring along the sumo suits;
- The Committee authorised Danny to purchase a large scale Jenga set for use at the weekend (circa £50);
- It was decided that on Monday, a Bike Dressage competition will be run instead of the fun arena trial. Jo will borrow some dressage markers and bring along the dressage sheets;
- Jo approved the draft the booking form prepared by Debbie and this is to be sent out asap.

Jo suggested that since the Sam Connor training had been so well received by participants, that the Club investigate running a series of perhaps bi-monthly sessions. Pete is to investigate this with Sam Connor.

Training Trials

Nothing to report.

Any Other Business

1. Rob advised we had been asked whether we want to nominate anyone for receipt of a Reigate & Banstead Mayor's Community Award. Richard is to think about this.
2. It was noted that the BMF website still shows Jan Smewing as Club Secretary. Jan has asked that this be changed. Carol to organise asap.
3. The issue of falling attendances at Club trials was discussed, and it was suggested that we revert back to the 3rd Sunday of the month. Eric pointed out that land is booked up to the end of the year, and he wants to organise shortly for next year. Carol Dark is putting some figures together regarding attendance, and this issue will be discussed further when these are received.

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 8 September 2010. To be chaired by Stuart in Richard's absence.