

# TRIUMPH MAYFLOWER CLUB

## AGM REPORT

SUNDAY 24th MARCH 2013

**Meeting held at:** EXPRESS HOLIDAY INN, TEMPUS DRIVE, WALSALL

Attendees: M. Barnsley; P. Benson; C. Brown; J. Castle; C. Lungmass; P. Norton; J. Oaker; H. Pryor and B. Redshaw.

Apologies were received from: P. Benfield; P. Burdge; S. Coulman; T. Gordon; J. Gogay.

The Chairman, John Castle, opened the meeting promptly at 2:00 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked John Oaker for once again organising the venue. He observed that the weather was much colder than usual and hoped everyone had not had too bad a journey to get here (car park at the hotel was covered with snow at the time).

Minutes of the last AGM had already been published in Flower Power, and were taken as read and accepted by the meeting. Malcolm Barnsley said that something not quite right was in the last minutes, but no one could remember what the problem with the minutes published in the magazine had been!

### **Chairman's Report:**

My first year as Chairman went very well and very fast and I enjoyed it a lot. I went to the Triumph Day at Stoneleigh last year, and met the late Eddy (Copson) a very nice man who will be missed. Paul Norton was also at Stoneleigh. He must like it in the cow shed there because it is sooo cold.

Chad (Brown) and myself got a Mayflower stand at the Coventry Motor Festival last year. We had a very good day. There were three other Mayflowers there and the day finished off with a Spitfire flypast. We are hoping to go again this year and hope to have more Mayflowers attending if possible.

There was the Annual Rally held at Broughton Castle jointly with the Renowns, etc., from the Triumph Razor Edge Club. The weather was kind to us because it had rained all week, but Sunday was sunny. We had to pitch our site higher than in previous years we'd used the castle grounds, but this was a good thing as we were on top of a small hill and had a lovely view over the castle and surrounding area.

His Lordship and his wife came out from their home in the castle and toasted the Queen (for her Jubilee year) with us all. They also gave out all the prizes. Unfortunately, my Mayflower

died on the journey as did two others, so our numbers were badly depleted against our expected numbers.

I have had two recent phone calls re. Mayflowers losing their storage and needing to be rehomed. Both of these Mayflowers could be restored or be broken for useful spares. Brian Redshaw has shown interest in at least one of these, but we need to know what we as a club can do about Mayflowers in this condition as it seems criminal to allow them just to be scrapped as that is how too often they end up.

I am looking forward to this year as we have the STAR 90 at Gaydon (Standard Triumph Anniversary Rally to celebrate 90 years of Standard cars). We are hoping to get eight Mayflowers there (let Chad know if you can get there). We also have the annual rally at Rockingham Castle near Corby in Northamptonshire, and the Coventry Festival mentioned earlier.

I suggest that the meeting considers whether the club can offer fuel expenses to those members attending the AGM who wish to claim something towards their out of pocket expenses. Perhaps this can be covered in 'Any Other Business' later.

The Chairman closed by stating that he hoped the majority of the committee would be staying in their posts as there were not too many other options available.

### Treasurer's Report:

The club continues to be in a very sound financial state. Subscription renewals are the same as last year which in turn was a little down against the previous year. This is probably due to the financial situation still prevailing across the country.

I recommend that the subscription remains at the current level of £25 plus the usual £10 joining fee for new members. However, I recommend that the subscription rate is reviewed upwards to £28 for the next financial year (for subs due in 2014).

The amount is well in line with other clubs of our size. This was agreed unanimously.

Date	Payee	Cleared	Cheque No.	Bank	Flower Power	AGM/meets	Officer expenses	Website costs	Club Ins.	Rally	FBHVC subs
4/12/12	Postage etc. JO	C	285	103.49			103.49				
4/12/12	2011 AGM room hire	C	286	60.00		60.00					
4/12/12	2012 AGM room hire	C	287	40.00		40.00					
6/20/12	Flower Power 140	C	288	495.00	495.00						
7/9/12	Ripon Rally	C	289	30.00						30.00	
5/9/12	FBHVC subs	C	290	67.13							67.13
6/29/12	Flower Power 141	C	291	474.00	474.00						
7/18/12	Tent for rally	C	392	161.98						161.98	
7/18/12	Rally trophies	C	293	65.00						65.00	
7/19/12	Rally food & drink	C	294	65.00						65.00	
7/18/12	Rally table	C	295	24.99						24.99	
10/3/12	TMC website hosting	C	296	74.39				74.39			
12/7/12	Flower Power 142	C	297	493.00	493.00						

12/27/12	Aston Scott club ins.	C	298	518.50					518.50		
1/3/13	Flower Power 143	C	299	473.00	473.00						
3/3/13	Stoneleigh stand cost	N/C	300	25.00						25.00	
			Total:	3170.48	1935.00	100.00	103.49	74.39	518.50	371.97	67.13

### Membership Secretary's Report:

This is my 20th secretary's report. A plateauing out of membership as we seem to have the same number of members as last year. Enquiries are up and there seems to be movement in cars with prices on the up.

I think eBay is a little responsible for this but the "I will join/re-join when I need spare parts syndrome" seems to be the main reason for a reluctance to part with membership fees!

Our cars no longer need a UK MoT test. However, owners must still ensure their cars are safe and roadworthy. This probably means having a voluntary test anyway, or at least every other year, to keep our insurers happy.

#### Number of members

1996 152	1997 167	1998 151	1999 144	2000 151
2001 144	2002 150	2003 144	2004 131	2005 142
2006 148	2007 141	2008 139	2009 139	2010 145
2011 134	2012 124	2013 124		

Of the 124 members at 31-03-13: 104 members re-joined, 2 former members have re-joined, there are 6 honorary members and 12 new members.

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
119	112	104	103	105	96	89	88	<b>UK &amp; Ireland</b>
11	12	13	13	16	16	11	15	<b>USA &amp; Canada</b>
4	5	5	4	6	3	6	6	<b>Australasia</b>
5	3	8	10	11	10	9	8	<b>Europe</b>
1	2	1	1	1	1	1		<b>Japan</b>
1								<b>India</b>
1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	<b>Africa</b>
6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	<b>Honorary members</b>
					1	1	1	<b>Life President</b>

### Regalia Secretary's report:

Malcolm Barnsley confirmed that he has volunteered to take over the role of Regalia Secretary. He has investigated replenishing stocks but costs for small volumes, as dictated

by the membership size, is often prohibitive. Investigations will continue. Very little existing stock remains. There has only been one telephone enquiry this year. There have been no sales made this year.

#### **New Spares Secretary's report:**

The Spare Parts price list is out of date. Many of the items in the book are no longer available. I will discuss with John Gogay the possibility of producing an up to date booklet during the coming year.

#### **Second hand Spares Secretary's report:**

There has not been a lot of activity in sales of second hand spares during the year. Much of the second hand spares I have inherited are of very poor quality. However, outside I have a mayflower which may get broken for second hand spares. I have just been to Surrey to collect it and will be taking it back to Darlington tonight.

#### **Rally Secretary's report:**

The 2012 rally was held at Broughton Castle in Warwickshire in July. We had a pleasant day, once again rallying with our friends from TROC (Triumph Razor Edge Owners Club).

For 2013 we are in discussions with TROC and with the Triumph Roadster Club. Both will rally at Rockingham Castle near Corby but on different dates.

Following a discussion, it was found that most of the committee were unable to attend on the TROC date but could make the Roadsters date. It was agreed that John would approach both clubs to advise we would go with the Roadsters as more Mayflowers were likely to attend on that date.

John said that he was resigning as Rally Secretary forthwith as Chad Brown had advised that he would stand this year in order to assist the club more now that his Mayflower was up and running.

John and Chad said they hoped to see as many members as possible at the rally whether in their Mayflowers or not, you will find a warm welcome at a beautiful venue. Don't forget, Sunday, June 23, 2012 at 12:00 noon.

#### **Election of Officers:**

**Chairman:** John Castle agreed to continue, unopposed.

**Vice Chairman:** Chad Brown agreed to continue, unopposed.

**Treasurer:** Paul Norton agreed to continue, unopposed.

**Secretary:** John Oaker agreed to continue, unopposed.

**Editor:** Nico ten Wolde agreed to continue, unopposed.

**Regalia Secretary:** Malcolm Barnsley agreed to continue, unopposed.

**Rally Secretary:** John Castle resigned but agreed to assist the new Rally Secretary. Chad Brown offered to stand. Proposed by John Castle, seconded by Howard Pryor. Elected unopposed.

**New and Second-hand Spares Secretary:** Brian Redshaw agreed to continue with both roles, unopposed.

**Technical Officers:** All had agreed to continue in advance of the meeting. Malcolm Barnsley, UK; Steve Coulman, UK; John Lesley, New Zealand; Larry Spouler, USA and Canada.

**Co-opted Member:** Howard Pryor proposed that as John Gogay was no longer in office as Spares Secretary he should be offered a position on the committee as a co-opted member. He advised that John would be willing to accept the position if it were to be offered by the meeting. Seconded by P. Benson and accepted unanimously by the meeting.

**Any other business:**

**Travel expenses:** The secretary advised that authority to make ad hoc payments for travel expenses had been given by earlier meetings and advised anyone so interested to contact the Treasurer after the meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting just after 4:30 pm wishing everyone a safe and pleasant journey home, and saying he hoped to see everyone again at the rally.