

North West Midlands and North Wales Group (Group 12) of the Motor Caravanners' Club Minutes of the 62nd Annual General Meeting. The meeting was held at Brymbo Sports and Social club on Saturday 18th October 2025.

Before the meeting commenced Lyn Linay (sec) asked all present to turn off or put to silent their mobile phones and also informed the meeting that she would be recording the proceedings to aid with Minutes.

The meeting commenced at 10.31 am

Those present :-

Chairperson	Linda Hastilow
Secretary	Lyn Linay
Treasurer	Eileen Harvey
Rally Officer	Charles Goldthorpe
Committee Member	Mike Hastilow
Committee Member	Shirley Hill
Committee Member	Sue Ford
Committee Member	Phil Ford

Plus 24 voting members and 1 member of COM Alistair Bartlam

1. Chairperson's Introduction

Linda Hastilow welcomed everybody to the meeting and informed the members that Alistair Bartlam was a representative from the Council of Management and was also at the meeting.

The Chair then handed over the meeting to the Secretary, Lyn Linay, to formally open the meeting.

2. Formal Declaration convening the meeting.

The Secretary, Lyn Linay, then read out the formal declaration convening the 62nd Annual General Meeting of the North West Midland and North Wales Group of the Motor Caravanners' Club. Lyn then handed the meeting back to the Chairperson, Linda Hastilow.

Linda asked members to stand, if able, for a minute's silence to remember members we have lost in the last 12 months.

3. Apologies.

Apologies were received from :-

Jane and Brian Parnill, Martin and Paula Wilkes, Ian and Maria Hill, Pauline and Bob Horan, Helen and John Watkins, Pete Brownrigg.

4. Minutes of the 2024 (61st) Annual General Meeting

It was advised that only those members who had attended the 61st AGM were eligible to vote to pass the Minutes of that meeting. Linda asked if anyone had any questions regarding the minutes. She then advised voting would be by a show of hands and asked for a proposer to show that the minutes were a true and accurate account of the meeting.

Proposed	Gail Blackwell
Seconded	Carol Maddox

Carried unanimously.

5. Matter arising.

None.

6a. Chairperson's report

The Chair, Linda Hastilow, reported that the year had been challenging in various ways. Eileen, our Treasurer had been taken seriously ill before the New Year and had consequently been away from rallying until the Llangollen rally at the end of August. Shirley Hill had been without her van for several weeks, whilst it was under repair and that her own van had been off the road for a few weeks whilst it was also having work done to it. Geoff Balshaw had resigned during the summer due to Brenda's ill health.

Linda said that the group was always in need of hosts and helpers for the rallies and because of the shortage of help this year 12 ordinary rallies had been hosted by herself and Mike or by Lyn and Charlie. She also mentioned that hosts get a free weekend if they book in and park up as well as arrange a little bit of entertainment for an evening. She thanked Ann and Dennis Allman for hosting a couple of rallies and providing some new, fun and interesting activities for us all to enjoy.

Linda thanked the committee for all their work and again mentioned that we do need help to help run and host rallies. She mentioned that Charlie has new venues booked for next year but if we don't manage to form a new committee by the end of the year then they will have to be cancelled.

6b. Secretary's Report

Lyn Linay, Secretary, reported that the group membership was holding steady. 307 last year and 305 today. There have been some lapses and cancellations but new members joining also

6c. Treasurers Report.

Eileen Harvey, treasurer, checked that everyone had received and had the accounts in front of them.

Jon Beck had a couple of queries regarding the accounts : one being suppers. Jon asked if this was from the cancelled AGM and Eileen clarified that it was. Jon also questioned the difference in website costs between this year and last. Eileen explained this was due to there being two costs in this year's total. She sends a cheque in January for £50 but the recipient fails to cash them and at the end of the year it is then written off as cheques are only valid for 6 months.

Eileen then asked for a proposer for her accounts

Proposer Fred Allen
Secunder Dave Evans.

Carried unanimously

6d. Rally Officers Report.

Charlie Goldthorpe, Rally Officer, had nothing to report but said he had provided a full rally list for 2026 and also a host list for members to put their names on if they wished to host any of those rallies.

Chris Allen asked when the new rally books would be available. Linda Hastilow answered her and said that they usually go to print after the AGM but obviously that depends on the outcome of this meeting.

Next came the presentation of the Trophies.

The Ed Joy trophy for the most attended rallies by members was awarded to Geoff Pearce.

The Malcolm Griffiths trophy for the most attended rallies by a committee member was presented to Mike and Linda Hastilow.

7. Election of Committee.

Resignations have been received from Geoff Balshaw and Jane Parnill

Mike Hastilow is standing down and not seeking re-election.

Shirley Hill is standing down and not seeking re-election.

Charlie Goldthorpe is standing down and not seeking re-election.

Lyn Linay is standing down and not seeking re-election.

Eileen Harvey is standing down and not seeking re-election.

Linda Hastilow is standing down and not seeking re-election.

Sue Ford said she was staying on committee

Phil Ford said he would stay on committee

Linda Hastilow then informed the members that as we now do not have a committee we will have to have an Emergency General Meeting in January. As this will fall in mid January a suitable venue with hard standing car park will have to be found.

8. Election of the Accounts Examiner.

Joan Woolnough had been the accounts examiner for 2024/2025 and stated that she would be willing to continue in the role.

Proposed Gail Blackwell
Seconded Carol Maddox

Carried unanimously

As there have been a lot of arrangements made for the rest of 2025 and caterers and Artistes booked the Christmas and New Year parties Linda explained that the 4 remaining committee officers were willing to stay on and run the club until the end of the New Year party if the members were happy for that to happen.

There was no further business so the meeting was closed at 11.55am

Break for coffee.