

MGCC Midland Centre AGM – 21st March 2022

Midland Centre – Secretary's Report 2021.

The membership of the centre stood at 1246 in February, a rise of 24 since the previous AGM (Jan 21). This represents quite an achievement given the shortage of club and centre activity during the pandemic and is due in no small way to the promotion of the Centre by our IT, marketing and communications team of David Wood and Andy Robson. Centre members will have received quarterly Email Newsletters and flyers for centre activities.

In 2021 the planned sporting events went ahead with two sprints and the Autumn trial, sadly without spectators and under strict MSUK COVID guidelines. The Spring Sprint was held in conjunction with Shenstone and District Car Club and attracted the maximum entry thus making a strong contribution to centre funds. Thanks go to the organising teams and marshals who made the events possible. Brian will explain that the centre made a surplus this year compared to the small losses in the last couple of years.

We were forced to cancel our premier weekend social event the Welsh Rallye for the second year running due to COVID restrictions. This coming May it is intended to proceed with the weekend at the Telford Golf Hotel. The route and stops had already been planned. We have over 50 entries so far.

The Centre provisional calendar is now available to download as a PDF from our website. First up is the Spring Sprint on the 3rd April at Curborough with spectators being allowed.

There has been a sub-committee at Kimber house working on formalising the public liability insurance that is offered to event organisers by the club and MSUK. Most of the events organised by the Centre are covered by MSUK permits but the spotlight has fallen on social runs organised at a Natter level. To qualify for the club's insurance entrants must sign on and the organisers must complete a risk assessment. Hopefully some guidance will be forthcoming on what is involved in this process. (pro-forma etc.)

Paul Hollingworth

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