

**Dumfries and Galloway Group of Advanced Motorists
and Motorcyclists**
Committee Meeting Minutes
19/10/2009

1. Apologies – Andy Campbell and Christine Donaldson.

2. Matters arising –

- Nectar Card – Problem now solved and a new card is issued for members to use at St Michael's Street Garage. At present we have 5 cards, 4 to use and 1 master. HC to arrange for 50 cards to be made available to members who wish to use a card to support the club. Suggestion that the points can be used to buy a good raffle prize or members use points and reimburse cash equivalent to club funds.
- Unison money – So far no uptake, members of UNISON to get 33% off SFL costs. One enquiry for son of member but not finalized yet. Graham Abrines says that the money is the clubs. Arrange to put piece in newsletter and on web site.

3. Headquarters Business. - Arrangements have been made for paperwork to HQ during any Post Office strike.

4 M/C Business-

- Phil Sayers has taken over from Andrew Bird as Motorcycle co-ordinator. Thanks to Andrew for his tireless work in chasing up associates.
- Speed bumps – GMcC wrote to the Alistair Speedie of Road Transport Planning dept of the D & G Council regarding bumps and the effect it has on M/C in particular. A response received stated that the letter had been passed on to Colin Douglas. A response is awaited.
- Ride Checks- Proc Fiscal has asked for the M/C section to carry out ride checks on a couple of scooter riders. Checked up with Rennie Ritchie who it was OK to go ahead in name of "Road Safety".
- M/C Forum – It appears to be dissolving in disarray, no minutes were available. AB asked if the group would be willing to contribute to the subsidizing of a joint car and M/C forum. This was agreed by the committee. Action - AB will advise the Forum.
- Toy Run – This will be Saturday 12th December. Meeting at Gates at 1.30 to leave at 2.00pm. There had been reports of unsuitable behaviour after the egg run in the spring. As a consequence the police have advised the M/Cs must stick to speed limits and on 30mph roads.
- Observers- GA re sat SO test in July 09 and Jim Hunter is to sit his Senior Observer test.
- Equipment – equipment used by previous observers has now been written off.

6. Group Business-

- Group magazine-All articles should be with the editor by 13-11-09. Tommy Jardine has agreed to write a piece as President of the group. We should also put in a piece about the nectar card scheme . PS will do article about Scotspeed and MH will put in piece about the ladies night at Scotspeed. HC will ask Alan Jones to put in a piece about the recent film made for the police about the drive check scheme.
- IAM are advertising SFL as Christmas presents, this could be put onto web site.
- Advertising – it was agreed that advertising of the group should be increased, it was suggested that an advertorial could be done about the group for both car and M/C. A press officer would be good for the group and all committee members should consider this.. NM offered too liaise for the M/C side.

7. Treasurer's Report-

Membership- there has been a good response to our standing order forms and forms are still coming in. We have 12 young associates places left and 238 drive checks.
Thanks to sponsors- RW will write and thank our sponsors for their support over the year.
Road safety Partnership- We have asked for a further £1600 to help motorcycle costs, PD is our rep on this committee.

8. Associate Co-ordinator.-

152 members
25 M/C associates
9 M/C Observers
19 car associates
19 Observers
53 assessment drives
36 youngsters
18 west associates.
Total 231

9. AOCB

Syllabus – November – Border cars
December – Social Night with partners if wish
January - Race Night 24/1/10

Paul Strilciw Fund- AB will source a shield that will be presented to an individual member yearly.

Committee meal. – This has been set for 15/1/10 venue to be confirmed.

IAM leaflets- New leaflets need to be put into Police Station, Jet garages and Scotspeed.
HC will order.

DONM – Monday 16th November at 7.00pm