

Shropshire MGs

Minutes of the General Meeting

Held at 8:00pm on 11th November 2025

Welcome

The secretary, DS (David Sear) welcomed all present. DS noted that the club had had a good year with 2 overnight trips, 12 UK runs, 3 events and charitable work. DS thanked members for contributing to the Club by organising these events, raffles, etc. DS also thanked the committee for their work over the year.

Apologies

No formal apologies had been received.

Election of Committee Members

There had been no additional volunteers for the role of secretary and DS welcomed Kevin Evans, ably assisted by Janet, to this post for the coming year. Kevin will take over immediately following the meeting. DS confirmed that the other committee members would be willing to continue in their roles, at least for the next year. There were no volunteers who wished to step in.

The following committee members were therefore confirmed unanimously by show of hands:

Secretary:	Kevin Evans
Events coordinator:	Roger Fildes
Treasurer:	Jane Taylor
Membership secretary:	Christine Harrison
Web/media coordinator:	Paul Harrison

Accounts and Financial Report

The treasurer presented a statement and report (Attachment 1). The statement had also been circulated ahead of the meeting. Although the Club had shown a deficit of £148.36 for the year to end September 25, this includes a £200 deposit for the 2025 Christmas lunch. Assuming that this will be recovered the club will show a surplus of £171.64 by the end of the calendar year.

The accounts and report were accepted unanimously by show of hands.

The treasurer advised that, following continuing problems with Barclays, the club bank account had been moved to a clubs and societies account with Virgin Money business. This provides full on-line banking facilities along with cash facilities at Post Offices – a service much better suited to the needs of the Club.

Membership Fee for 2026

Following discussion, a fee of £5 per member (not partners) was proposed, seconded and agreed by show of hands with only one objection. The fee will be annual by calendar year, payable by the end of April. Payment details, etc. will be advised in due course.

This will guarantee that the club has sufficient funds to cover insurance and other fixed costs without relying on raffle proceeds. Any surplus funds will provide for a contingency in the bank, club purchases or charitable donations, all as agreed at the AGM.

Member Proposals for 2026 Activities and Volunteers

Roger Fildes noted that the following events/runs were proposed for 2026:

Weston Park Lombard Rally Festival – March 7/8

If entered as a club the fee is £10 for car and 2 passengers.

Roger will be seeking support to organise this.

Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs Drive it Day - April 26th

Members can apply for a plate for their car from <https://www.driveitday.co.uk> for £12.50 (not compulsory). Proceeds will go to NSPCC Childline.

Kevin and Janet Evans have offered to organise the run.

Past, Fast and Future Auto Show Shrewsbury College – May 16th

Roger will be seeking support to organise this.

Longest Day Run – June 21st

David and Linda have offered to organise a run

Shelsley Walsh Classic Nostalgia – July 18/19

Paul and Chris Harrison will be seeking support to organise this.

Welsh Tour (2 days with overnight in Abergavenny) – August?

Jonathan and Jane Taylor are working on this.

Northern Spain Tour – via Brittany Ferries – May/June

Roger will be seeking support to organise this.

Peak District Visit (2 nights)

Sid and Anne Cooke are looking at a repeat of the 2025 trip.

Exmoor trip

Mark Downing offered to investigate a trip to North Devon (or maybe Yorkshire?)

More volunteers are needed for trips through the year, particularly day trips.

Remaining 2025 events

Oxford Weekend – December 6/7/8th organised by Peter and Gill Allman
Christmas Lunch – December 14th organised by Jan Blaxland

Any other Business

On behalf of the Club, Paul Harrison thanked David and Linda Sear for looking after the members for some 9 years, offering a warm welcome to new members and organising numerous excellent runs; notably their annual October “Last of the Summertime” runs which all hope will continue. Membership now stands at 80 with 10 new members joining in 2025. While historical figures are not available it would seem that membership has approximately doubled during their leadership due in no small part to their efforts. They have been a “driving force” for the Club’s charitable efforts and Paul was pleased to announce that David has agreed to be an unofficial charities liaison for the club so that contacts with local charities can continue to be developed.

Next Meeting

The next regular Club gathering will be on Tuesday January 13th 2026 with the next Annual General Meeting set for Tuesday November 10th 2026.

Signed



Date

22 Nov 25.

D Sear – Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1**SHROPSHIRE MG`S**Financial Statement Year Ended 30th September 2025

Receipts		Payments	
Oxford w/end Raffle	£30.00		
Christmas Meal 2024	£1308.00	Wroxeter Hotel	£1365.00
Christmas Raffle 2024	£ 122.00	Insurance	£ 170.44
The Hand deposits	£ 120.01	The Hand	£120.00
Concourse Raffle	£123.00	Xmas 2025 deposit	£200.00
Donation	£ 4.07		
Total Receipts	£1707.08	Total Payments	£1855.44

LOSS ON THE YEAR **£ 148.36 DR**
see attached notes

Balance Brought Forward as at 30th September 2024 £546.96

Balance Carried Forward as 30th September 2025 £398.60

Jane M Taylor
Hon Treasurer
30.9.2025

**Notes to accompany Shropshire MGS Financial Statement
As at 30th September 2025**

The enclosed financial statement states that we made a loss of £148.36 on the year.

If you remember at last year`s AGM it was brought to your attention that £120 had been included in the 2024 accounts, which were deposits for the Christmas meal 2024.

Included in this year`s figures is an amount of £200 which is the deposit paid to the Wroxeter for this year`s Christmas meal.

Assuming that this will be repaid, we will have a surplus of £171.64 on the year.