Minutes of the Cambridge & District MGOC AGM 2026

Date: Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Time: 8.30-9.05 pm – Venue: The George & Dragon PH, Elsworth

Present: 40 - See List on Page 4

Agenda:

1. Apologies for absence (see below)
2. Acceptance/matters arising from the 2025 AGM Minutes
3. Chairman's Report
4. Club Secretary's Report
5. Membership Secretary's Report
6. Web Master'sReport
7. Treasurer's Report
8. Approve the Statement of Club Accounts
9. Subscription Rate for members for 2027 Season
10. Proposed amendment(s) to the Club Constitution re Membership Rules – see draft circulated with the AGM Papers
11. Election of the Committee and Auditor for Season 2026/2027

    Proposed:

Chairman	NOMINATION: David Coventry
Secretary	Peter Alder
Treasurer & Membership Secretary	NOMINATION: Robin Carter
Web Master	Glenn Pascoe
Auditor	Lin McCreith

12. Proposed charity for 2027 – NOMINATION: Prostate Cancer UK
13. Snowdrop Run 2027
14. Club Member of the Year 2026
15. Member's Day 2027
16. Any Other Business

Peter thanked us all for attending, which was attended by 40 members.

1.Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Roger Plummer, Chris and Pat Shurlock and Richard Lane

2.Acceptance/Matters Arising from 2025 AGM Minutes

No matters arising – Minutes accepted by show of hands.

3.Chairman's Report – see attached

After presenting his Report, Peter gave his thanks for all the support and especially for the Committee's support – David Parker for 10 years and Treasurer for 8, Alison Meek for the Membership Secretary, a job well done by both. Also thanked Committee Members staying on - Peter Alder and Glenn Pascoe.

4.Club Secretary's Report – see attached

Before giving his Report Peter A thanked Peter G for his Chairmanship and presented a gift. Peter A then went on to say he was looking to do more runs next year, especially mid week. He would also be looking to Members to make suggestions for runs, Sunday lunches etc and invited feedback.

5.Membership Secretary's Report– see attached

Alison said she had enjoyed being on the Committee and would do everything to support her successor. Peter G then presented Alison with a gift.

6.Web Master's Report – see attached

Glenn gave his report and would welcome suggestions from members.

7.Treasurer's Report – see attached

David gave his report and Peter G presented David with a gift.

8.Approval of the Statement of Club Accounts

The Accounts were approved with a show of hands.

9.Subscription Rate for Members for 2027 Season

There will be no increase for 2027 so rate stands.

10.Proposed Amendment(s) to The Club Constitution re: Membership Rules

A draft proposition was circulated for a change to be made to the wording of the Club Constitution to recognise the importance for the Club's future of encouraging members to join and contribute who have yet to acquire an MG but possess a keen enthusiasm for the MG marque and also members who no longer own an MG but enjoy the social side of the Club should not be expected to surrender their membership.

This will affect Clauses 2, 4 and 5 and the proposal would be that the wording of the Constitution be amended as indicated below:

(The Clauses have been abridged for the purpose of these Minutes, see full Constitution for the rest of the Clauses which will not be changed).

2. Objectives. The primary objective of the Club is to function as a social club to bring together ~~owners of all~~ anyone with an interest in MG cars in a friendly and convivial environment where Members can enjoy each other's company and work constructively towards continual improvement of the Club for its Members.

4. Subscriptions are annual and £20, or as set by the Committee, for an ~~MG owner~~ club member and partner.

5. Membership.

a. Application is open to ~~any owner of an~~ anyone with an interest in MG cars and is made by contacting a member of the Committee, who will provide a membership entry form and a copy of the Club Constitution.

~~f. In the event that a Member sells or is yet to purchase an MG, continued membership is granted at the discretion of the Committee.~~

~~g.~~ f.

MGOC Swavesey was approached about the above proposal and they had no objections to it, and they would suggest encouragement for other cars not just MGs and for members to keep their membership.

The above Constitution changes were proposed and approved with a show of hands.

11.Election of the Committee and Auditor for season 2026/2027

Nomination for Chairman – David Coventry – show of hands approved nomination

Secretary – Peter Alder – staying on – show of hands approved

Nomination for Treasurer and Membership Secretary – Robin Carter – show of hands approved nomination

Webmaster – Glenn Pascoe – staying on – show of hands approved

Auditor – Lin McCreith – staying on – show of hands approved

12.Proposed Charity for 2027 - Nomination: Prostate Cancer UK

The Snowdrop Run has raised over £40,000 for our nominated Charities over the 20 years it has been run. Chairman Peter proposed Prostate Cancer UK as this year's nominated charity and was approved with a show of hands.

Peter A suggested that perhaps in future a sequence of a national, a regional and a local charity could be chosen in successive years.

There will be a carbon offset donation made of £250 to Anglesey Abbey from the Snowdrop Run proceeds next year.

13.Snowdrop Run 2027

The date has been fixed for the run, Saturday 13th February 2027, and David Coventry informed us that Kentwell Hall had been chosen as the end venue for the run and discussions are ongoing concerning costs affordable to the Club being subject to negotiations. He is waiting to see how they respond, so this end venue might have to be changed and there were other options in hand. Start venue will be Anglesey Abbey.

David also mentioned that marshals will be needed for both venues - volunteers will be needed so looking for names to be put forward.

14.Club Member of the Year 2026

The Committee always find it difficult to make a decision about who to put forward as any number of people could be nominated, but this year they had no hesitation in nominating David Parker for his role of Treasurer and also for all the other roles he has taken on over the years and an award was presented.

15.Members Day 2027

Peter A said that this event has not yet been organized, Franks Farm this year was a good venue but he has a couple of venues in mind, possible Langley Community Centre, so this is yet to be confirmed.

16.Any other business

Chairman Peter gave thanks for attending and meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Attendance List:

Peter & Miriam Ganczakowski Peter Alder Alison & John Meek David Parker & Emma Allen Glenn Pascoe Lin & Nigel McCreith David Coventry Robin Carter & Suzanne Lucas Tim & Barrie Clark Janet Humphreys Ray & Muriel Brand Cecil & Carol Willcocks Peter & Lesley Dyke Ray & Jen Myring David & Theresa Ouzman Steve Blunt Tim Cant Dick Martin Tom & Julia Lindley David & Sue Gaillard Tony Osborn Gav Hukin & Peta Spreckley Peter Cowper Des Clark Colin Vincett Peter Dorking

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2026 AGM Committee member's reports

AGM 2026 Chairman's Report from Peter Ganczakowski

As this summer draws to a close it's been officially recorded as the hottest and driest summer on record in the U.K. Maybe even too hot at times for open top motoring for most of us! However, we shouldn't complain, we've certainly had plenty of opportunities to do what we all like doing best with our cherished MG's. Be that tinkering with them, taking them on runs, displaying them at shows and events or simply enjoying them in the sunshine on leisurely picnics or on holiday.

Thanks to Peter Alder, our new Club Secretary, we've been kept closely informed about a variety of events in his comprehensive monthly bulletins. An innovative and informative online reminder for us all about what we've recently done and indeed, what we're about to do!

I will refrain here from reporting on past 2025/6 events, shows and runs as I'm sure Peter will cover these in detail in his AGM Report. Suffice to say, the highlights for me this year were the Snowdrop Run, the Sandringham Pageant of Motoring, the Kimbolton Show, Members' Day and more recently the successful Little Gransden Classic Car & Airshow. All happily blessed with decent weather and correspondingly great turnouts from our Club and from elsewhere.

This year marks the 4th anniversary in which I have had the privilege to serve as your Chairman. Overall it has been a pleasurable, (if not at times taxing) experience. I hope my background in HR has served me well but you will of course be the best judge of that.

I can at least look back with some pride that thanks to you all and the hard work of fellow Committee members, we have continued to raise and indeed surpass our fund raising goals through our ever popular Snowdrop Runs. These have of course been gratefully received by various charities over the years. This year marks the 20th anniversary of our Snowdrop Runs and in excess of £40,000 has now been raised for a variety of deserving causes. A remarkable achievement by any standards.

I want to close by thanking my fellow committee members for their invaluable contributions. This year rings some changes. David Parker will be stepping down as our Treasurer and also Snowdrop Run lead after 10 plus years of undertaking those roles. He has worked tirelessly in managing our Club finances and keeping us all to order in his calm, unflappable way.

Alison Meek will also be stepping down as our Membership Secretary. She has done sterling work over the past two years in sorting out our membership database and in helping organise a number of events. We shall all miss her.

Peter Alder has done and continues to do an excellent job as our Club Secretary following Chris's departure. Chris was always going to be a hard act to follow, but Peter took over the reins seemingly effortlessly and I'm delighted to say, is happy to put his name forward to serve another year and hopefully beyond.

Glenn Pascoe can be relied on in the background to serve our internet needs as Webmaster and has done much to assist the Club well beyond. My sincere thanks to him for all he has done. Happily

Glenn is willing to continue in the Webmaster role too, so we will hopefully enjoy some continuity there as well.

As for me, having now completed four years as your Chairman, it's time for me to return to the backbenches. I am of course happy to help out as needs be in that capacity and intend to continue as an active member.

So in summary, it's time to ring the changes. I'm pleased to note that already volunteers are stepping forward to plug the gaps. As I've often said, without the willingness of you all to volunteer where needed and support all our activities, a club like ours would cease to exist. So long may that camaraderie continue!

My best wishes and thanks to you all.

Peter

AGM 2026 - Report from the Club Secretary.

My first year as Club Secretary started with you – the member's electorate. You voted for me to take on a task that had been expertly undertaken by my predecessor, Chris Shurlock, over an 11 years stint. A very tough act to follow and one which I knew that I would need time to develop myself into the role and try to "fill his shoes". I have yet to achieve the halfway line in that task but I hope that you feel that I am showing some promise in that direction.

So now to what I have been doing over the past year. The first real outcome from my tenure has been the collation and production of a Club Bulletin as a means of conveying information, promotion of events, advising of available services and/or items for sale and encouraging member input to share information and experiences that could be of interest to the wider Club membership. This Bulletin, coupled with a fairly comprehensive list of shows and Runs that was sent out in February, has I believe been useful and well received, but I continue to strive to make improvements and seek new elements to be included. Members' input is vital to ensure that the Bulletin is and remains pertinent to members' needs and expectations as it heads towards its first anniversary.

Working with Peter Ganczakowski, David Parker, Glenn Pascoe, Alison Meek and David Coventry on the Snowdrop Run eased me into the process that has always produced the Club's main annual Run. I have organised many big public events in my past careers but each one has its own uniqueness and helping to organise two venues (Anglesey Abbey at the start and Chippenham Park at the end) has given me a greater awareness of the expectations of members (and non-members) in respect of the experiences and enjoyment that such Runs should set out to provide. (My participation in external Runs in Rutland, Suffolk and Norfolk early in the year has given me food for thought on how new Runs might be added to the Club's annual itinerary.

For a second year running, I organised the Club's presence at the Sandringham Pageant of Motoring in May. This is a large and prestigious show held within sight of the Royal residence. Fortunately the weather was very much on our side and our stand being well positioned within the showground presented well. The presence of the Greene King "Old Speckled Hen" MGB Roadster (with its boot full of beer bottles and cans) helped to attract visitors and Club members alike. This "refreshing" motor also graced the Club's stand at the Kimbolton Castle Country Fayre and Classic Car Show in July at the behest of Chris Shurlock who organised the Club's large and prominent stand there.

The Members Day and Fun Concours went well at Frank's Farm (Elsworth) in June. A previously untried venue and with 30 MGs and one e-type Jaguar a good turnout was accommodated on a site

next to the driveway into the farm. With barbecue, ice cream, cakes and other purchases a good day was enjoyed by all. The prizes were awarded to the winning cars in all participating classes and the winning members' names were published in the July Bulletin. The work undertaken by all on the Committee brought this to fruition but especially that undertaken by David Parker and Alison Meek.

The organisation of shows and Runs this year has been a most collaborative affair with Tony Osborne heading the arranging of the Club's stand at the Little Gransden Air and Classic Car Show in August. The stand was probably the largest that we have had there and the air show was spectacular. Quite a few of the attendees at that show barely had time to fill their tanks again before they set out the next morning to join with the MG Car Club (Anglia Centre) for a meet-up at the fabulous Porters Lodge Gardens and Tearooms at Cavenham in Suffolk – arranged jointly between the Vice-Chair of the MGCC (Anglia) and myself as your Club Secretary. A fitting venue for one of our future Club Runs, I think.

Living as I do just across the County boundary in West Suffolk, I have also been well placed to experience large and shows and events there, such as at Culford Hall, Helmingham Hall, Stonham Barns and the Ipswich to Felixstowe Historic Vehicles Run (which culminates in a drive along the pedestrian promenade and parking next to the beach). Some of our Club members have joined in these events and we can explore whether any or all may be of interest to Club members to sample.

A number of members have expressed their preference for participation in Runs rather than attending shows and I am conscious that this has not been achieved this year to the extent that they were organised previously by Chris and others. One Run that did take place in June was organised by Janet Humphreys to commemorate the life of her late husband and long-term Club member, Alan Humphreys. Starting at the Twenty Pence Garden Centre in Wilburton (close to where Alan and Janet previously lived at Twenty Pence Marina) the route took us across rural Cambridgeshire and its Fenlands to the Secret Garden and its "Potting Shed" pub near Wisbech. 18 Club cars took part with 30+ members and a filling lunch was enjoyed after a sunny and hot Run.

It is my intention, if elected to continue in this role as Club Secretary, to develop that side of the work and explore more venues and routes of interest, with ideal facilities and parking, to ensure that all members have options open to them for exercising their MGs at a variety of occasions throughout the year. Suggestions from Members in this regard are always most welcome and already Janet Humphreys has in mind an afternoon/evening visit to Elgoods Brewery and Gardens in Wisbech during certain summer months, where refreshments and music enhance the experience. The taste-buds and eardrums can't wait!

Having started the year with the Chairman's Run on 1st January (with a New Year's Day luncheon at the ancient Royal Oak Inn at Barrington) and our crowning Run – the Snow Drop Run – in February, we are ending the year with the annual Club members only Autumn Leaves Run in September and our Christmas Dinner in December (which we are arranging at this time, with details being published in the October and November Bulletins, as well as in a specific e-mail out to members).

I thank you for your faith in voting me into this role last year and, if re-elected, I hope to further my input to the work of the Club Secretary throughout 2027 in support of the roles and work of all other Committee members and all members of the Club.

Peter Peter Alder, Club Secretary

AGM 2026 Membership Secretaries Report

Club Membership Status

The current paid membership is 71 which including partners, who are automatically members, places our total membership at 116.

There were 12 members who did not renew for 2026, however we attracted 7 new members.

Whilst numbers have declined slightly on last year this is still a very healthy situation.

The Club will shortly being sending out invitations to renew your membership and if there are any changes to your circumstances such as change of address / cars etc do please let the Club know at that time so they can keep the database up to date.

Personal Note

As you know I am standing down as Membership Secretary after 2 enjoyable years.

I will ensure a smooth handover to my successor and help them in anyway I can. Once they are up and running I will delete all files and copies thereof relating to the Club, in accordance with GDPR.

Alison Meek
Cambridge & District MGOC Membership Secretary

AGM 2026 Web co-ordinators report

My report to the 2025 AGM included proposals to move to the e-mail system offered as part of the website package with an @cambsmgoc.com e-mail address and look at on-line events booking system.

The implementation of a new e-mail system has been successfully completed, however I have made no progress with the on-line booking system. Simply down to time on my part and the introduction of the excellent Bulletin by Peter Alder.

Online booking remains something to be looked at again in the future.

The website continues to do what it needs to, costs very little to operate in terms of real money and takes probably an average of ½ to 1 hour per week to maintain.

The annual domain registration fee is £19.20 and the associated WordPress (the web hosting company) fee is £36.00 per annum. The cost of the e-mail system is £33.00 per annum.

The website's largest external use is for Snowdrop Run entrant's to access information about the event and to download entry forms.

In the last 12 months (1 October 2025 to 30 September 2026) there were 2,574 (2,276) visitors to the website, viewing a total of 5,308 (5,052) pages, the chart below gives an overview of the annual flow of activity.



The five most popular pages were:

Events	2,285 views	(2,242)
About Us	2,119 views	(1,887)
Snowdrop Run 2025	308 views	(467)
Photos	231 views	(103)
Contact Us	171 views	(180)

As ever any suggestions for ways to improve the website are always welcomed!

Glenn Pascoe

Web Co-ordinator

AGM 2026 Treasurers report

Note: the previous year's figures are shown in brackets.

1. Starting Balance:

We started the financial year on 1st October 2025 with a balance of **£4,530.92** (£3,347.54).

2. Income:

- **£ 1,460.00 –** Club Subscriptions
- **£ 272.76 –** Snowdrop Run 2026 surplus to be carried onto 2027 Snowdrop
- **£ 50.00 –** Club Rally Plaque sales

Club Total income 2025/26 was **£ 1,782.76**

3. Expenditure:

£ 142.97 –	Subsidy of 2025 Christmas Meal
£ 128.27 –	Sundries (Engraving, quiz prizes, photocopying)
£ 194.82 –	Website, Flicker & Email WordPress subscriptions.
£ 472.61 –	Club Members Day 2026
£ 300.00 -	Autumn Leaves Run
£ 352.98 -	Generic Rally Plaque
£ 250.00 -	Snowdrop 2025 surplus transferred to 2026 Snowdrop

Club Total expenditure 2025/26 was **£ 1,841.65**

4. Current Balance:

Bringing the figures for Total income and expenditure together, the Club balance at audit on 30th September 2026 was **£ 4,472.03** (£4,530.92)

N.B.

Charity Donations made: **£ 2000.00** East Anglian Air Ambulance – Snowdrop Run

5. Financial Comments:

The Club's accounts have supported several events this year including the 2025 Xmas meal, Club Members Day and just reticently the Autum Leaves Run with all three events having a great turnout.

The club has now purchased new generic rally plaques which can be purchased for £10 each and look great on your MG when on club events.

We have invested in WordPress a new more user-friendly and secure Email system which each member of the committee can now easily assess (info@cambsmgoc.com)

I'm pleased to report that after being the Treasurer for the past eight years plus Snowdrop entry/finance coordinator for eleven years, I have managed **NOT** to run out of money and now leave the club account in good health ready for the next Treasurer.

Many thanks go to Lin McCreith for auditing the accounts once again.

David Parker - Cambridge & District MGOC Treasurer