

**Minutes of the committee meeting of Cheshire EGB held at The Laurels,  
Brick Bank Lane, Allostock on Wednesday 08 November 2017**

**UPDATED**

**Present:** Liz Finney (LF) Pat Guerin (PG) Muriel Taylor (MT) Sandra Peters (SP) Pennie Drummond (PD) Cathrine Sandberg (CS)

<b>Item</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Mandy Morris (MM) Anna Collins (AC) Lesley Harrison (LH)	
<b>2</b>	<b>Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting</b> Correction was noted that Lesley was buying the fence posts. The minutes were confirmed.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b> No one attended the Groups meeting from Cheshire EGB. No minutes or notes have been received from the organisers of the Groups meeting.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> The balance was £4,386.67 in the Cheshire EGB account. After paying for spray paint and ink the balance would be £4,170.67 We still need to order rosettes, last year we spend ca £1,100.00. Last year we carried over ca £2,500.00.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Membership Secretary's Report</b> No change to the complete list of new members from the EGB office dated 05/10. We now have 61 paid up full members (1 YR/ 0 JR) and 10 associate members (0 YR/ 1 JR). Some ideas for encouraging more associate members were mentioned – Equitrader or Cheshire Horse adverts plus perhaps leaflets at livery yards. The consensus was that it's not necessarily a problem. Non-member make up a large proportion of PR entries and even if we encourage them to join there may be varied reasons why they don't want to. Our PR Rides are usually very well subscribed with a number of rides this year selling out so few Associate Members doesn't appear to negatively affect entries.	
<b>6</b>	<b>PR</b> Post reminding members re trophy registration forms to be added to Facebook. CS has deactivated Cheshire EGB Facebook Profile so it can now no longer be searched for. CS also to give access to LF, PG, AC and LH to Facebook Page and issue help notes.	MM/CS  CS
<b>7</b>	<b>Report from Delamere PR</b> The ride went well, had 61 entries and made £695.50. Muriel has sent two separate cheques to the Forest Commission to pay the full balance of their invoice.	
<b>8</b>	<b>Update on Congleton PR</b> Venue is booked. PG booked Bidulph Valley Way. CS will do first aid and help with Car Parking. SP and LH will help. Anne Farley will do start/finish. 30 entries received so far, can take a maximum of 60 entries.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Winter Program</b> Winter Training Day – LF has contacted Andrea to see if her and Claire can do a session in February. Will firm up dates and book. Other suggestions: Spook Busting Clinic, Lancashire are organising one this autumn and MM is going so will enquire about prices. MM was not at the meeting so no update. Schooling sessions previously organised at New Barn will not be arranged this year as participation tends to be poor and these activities often don't even cover their costs.	LF
<b>10</b>	<b>EGB AGM</b> Full table booked for Cheshire.	
<b>11</b>	<b>Annual Meeting</b> Heyrose booked for 8 <sup>th</sup> of February. Cost per ticket will be £15. SP will go to saddlery shops for raffle prizes. AC to see if voucher can be obtained from Nantwich Saddlery please. Need to do requests for mileage cards to be submitted to PD as soon as possible, on website and Facebook. Next year we should e-mail the helper forms out in a mail merge.	SP AC

12	<p><b>Ride Dates for 2018</b>  Trans Pennine – April? TBA  Frolic – 12/13 May  Wirral – 9 June  Whitegate – July? TBA LF to speak to Jane Stewart  Chester Zoo – 26 August  Oswestry? September potentially LF to speak to Jill Thorburn.  Delamere – October? TBA  Congleton – November? TBA  Peover – not sure if it will run or be replaced by a ride at Oswestry.</p>	
13	<p><b>AOB</b>  8 Black covered clipboards to be purchased.  PG mentioned Hope Valley can arrange a group shopping evening where they will offer 10% off for a minimum of 10 people 7-9 pm on a prearranged evening. Would be a good idea for Christmas shopping but discussion questioned if there was sufficient time to fit in before Christmas.  Sally Mellor has offered Hill training @ the Long Mynd with Camping and Corralling and have said she can probably accommodate 6-8 people. Details to be posted on Website and Facebook.  PG wants to surrender her role of members secretary. PD offered to see if she could help to make the task easier. Would be ideal to pass this task on if anyone wants to join the committee at the AGM.  Online Entries – MT will pick up with Cath Haughton re PayPal. PD also suggested we should look at “Entry Master”, she will forward details to MT.</p>	<p>LF/CS/ MM</p> <p>MT/PD</p>
16	<p><b>Date of next meeting.</b>  8.00pm Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of January at The Laurels</p>	