



BMBS Committee Minutes – 7th September 2026

Ian Phillips	Mike Alliston	Ken Thorpe	Val Burlingham	Sarah Randall	Paul Davis	Andy Fuller	Trevor Kersey	Robert Daniel	John Jenkinson
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President /Events Trustee	Yacht Captain	Chairman	Independent Member	Secretary /Treasurer	Buggies Crawler Railway	Fast Electric Captain	Truck Captain	I/c Captain	Scale Captain

Apologies.

- None – All present.

Minutes of last zoom meeting

- Sent to committee via email.
- All in favour they were a true record.

BMBS President Solicitors/Trustees.

- The following statement was sent to the committee.
- I would like to propose the following at the committee meeting tonight: -
In accordance with paragraph 19 of the constitution, I propose that Arthur Pickering, as a result of his failing health, be removed from his post as Trustee of this society and to be replaced by Paul Davis. I further propose that Anthony Bedford be removed from his post as Trustee of this society following his reported death in South Africa on 18th April 2006 since which date we have had no contact with him and that he be replaced by Sarah Randall. I would also like to thank Arthur for his years of service as a trustee.
- The committee were all in favour.

Lake side bank erosion.

- This is an ongoing project.
- The materials to test the sides are already onsite except the angle iron.
- The side to be done first would be the side where the tents get erected.
- Someone would have to go in the water to knock the posts in.
- There are lots of rocks in the bottom of the lake.
- The rock picker upper would have to be used and long gloves would have to be worn.

Gardening Report.

- Val and Ann have been busy dead heading and tidying along with many helpers watering. Thank you.
- Also those people who have been pulling up weeds. Thank you.
- We are starting to have a lot of members helping on site to make our club site look good for others to enjoy. Thank you.



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- Val is having a meeting with Paul D to go over plans for jobs and help needed for this next year.
- The spirals have arrived ready for the sapling arrival in Nov.
- Thank you everyone.
- Ian has a small amount of weed killer mixed and will treat near the club sign on the boat approach and under the adjacent hedge as far as it will go.

Yachting Report.

- Mike has not been down to the lake for a few weeks.
- Mike is disappointed that people aren't going to sail yachts on a Tuesday, but he will try to get the back again.

Railway.

- The solar panels for the LED lights have been installed.
- The layout is looking good.
- The plants have come back thanks to the rain.

Buggy Track.

- The mid weekers are going to do more repairs.
- More tubes of silicone have been purchased for these repairs.
- The buggy track is being well used.

Crawler Hill.

- The hill is busy especially at weekends.
- The hand rail on the stairs has been removed due to Health and safety.
- Thank you to everyone who has been weeding around the hill.

Monkey World.

- Monkey world has been busy.
- There has been no tree debris on the ground after the wind.
- There has been no winners this month of the monkey count.
- There have been good reviews about the new challenges.

Lunch Box Racing.

- 6 lunch boxes were on the track on Club Sunday.
- Each heat had a time of 5 minutes.
- Hopefully we will have a few more competitors next season.

Truck Track/ Farm/ Quarry.

- The track is going extremely well and is looking fine – Trevor is pleased.
- Trevor had mowed the grass on the day of meeting.
- The request for another ton of topsoil has been deferred until next year.
- The posts that required replacing around the truck track have been replaced.



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- There was a good turn out for open weekend and it was like playing on the M25 on the Saturday!!
- There are lots of photos on facebook.

Treasurers Report.

- Screenshared by Ken.
- Read out by Sarah.

Boat Sales.

- The white boat hull has now been sold.
- There are 2 boats left to sell – these will be open to offers.

Events.

- NADS – 20th September
- Club Sunday – 4th October
- Firework event – It was discussed that there wont be a firework display this year, but we could have a night sail instead – what do the members think?
- The model railway show in Bridlington was a success – lots of leaflets were handed out and lots of talking to potential members.
- The club has already been asked to display next year too.
- A new event of “crawler wrestling” was created!!

Vermin boxes.

- The boxes haven't been checked since the loast meeting but they were filled up well on the last check.
- There is a mole trail outside the Scalextric shed.
- Please keep your eye out for any mole hills and don't fall over them.
- We are looking at plants that the moles don't like the smell of!!!

Scalextric Track by Ian Kirk.

- There is more and more interest in the track a few members are either getting old cars to run or purchasing new or second-hand cars.
- Just to clarify digital cars have a small bulb behind the guide blade. These are generally not purchased new as they are advertised digital ready and it involves purchasing a digital chip to fit. A very easy job but increases cost between £12 and £20 pounds approximately.
- I have improved the inner lane on the banking section by inserting specific bank curves, It has dramatically improved performance.
- We now have two software programs running on the club laptop. I need to hard wire this winter.
- We did have issues with some juniors slightly damaging a car and losing a spoiler. I did shut the track down on open day advising it was broken. To prevent future damage we really need to advertise that juniors must be supervised and



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show respect to the clubs apparatus, It is in our rules. We only need to work on this aspect.

- To help in the future I have two VW Beetles coming which I hope to wire in diodes to slow them down. This will mean we can leave two tracks/controllers running in analogue mode on open or club days.
- Senior members can ask for the digital cars as and when they wish to use them provided put away when finished with. I hope we can agree on this.
- I have left the set in analogue with two club Audis slowed down for now.
- Open day was excellent and many seniors and juniors enjoyed using the circuit.

Electrical Assessment.

- The pump house has been rewired.
- The main fuse box has been redone too.
- The electrician is concerned about the loads on the cables – worst case scenario would be that the club has to replace the cables.
- The 16v sockets have been installed in the 3 locations discussed.
- The club is short of 2.5mm cable to fit the 16v sockets – 100m will be required.

Old Green Boat.

- The green boat will be used to replace the current wooden boat and will be filled with plants on the corner.

Toilet Pump.

- Service to be organised at the end of the season October/November time.

Gladers by Ian Kirk.

- The Gladers were well used at open weekend, the only real breakage being an adult who caused minor damage which is fixed now.
- I would suggest at least one more purchase as a backup but will trial these boats beforehand should you agree.

Caretakers report – by Paul Davis.

- All the benches have been painted.
- The painting of the lakeside fence is finished.
- The car park fence is to be painted but more paint is required.
- The buildings onsite have yet to be painted.
- The entrance road is requiring potholes filling again.
- Paul is going to continue to trim the car park trees.



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Grass Rally Track.

- There has been a fall in use of the track.
- A new is being sourced for the track.

Scale Boat report.

- The duck hunt on club Sunday went well.
- Was good fun to watch.

AOB

The club is having to purchase for some new gazebos as the others were damaged on the open weekend.

Possibly wind resistant.

As no more events this year requiring the gazebos, we will wait until next year....look out for bargains.

Paul and Trevor will have a meeting regarding what materials are going to be required onsite, fence posts, timber and sand.

Ken is to do an upto date map with the locations of the fire extinguishers, laminate and hang up in the club house.

Dave B is going to purchase some new defib pads and battery at the beginning of October as they will expire.

The funeral of Roger Monks will take place at Octon Cemetery on September 10th.

The family of previous members Mr & Mrs Mellonby have requested a memory bench be put around the lake.

The family have said they would fully fund the bench and maintain it.

The committee voted and are all in favour.

The committee discussed the date for open weekend and have agreed it should be 21st and 22nd August 2027.

Peter from Goole Boat Club would like to let people know that they will be having a night sail on 26th September from 5pm.

**Members are Reminded:
NO NAPPIES OR WET WIPES DOWN THE LOOS PLEASE
THEY DAMAGE THE PUMPS.**

**Next committee meeting on Zoom.
Monday 5th October 2026.**