



Minutes of the IMM Presidents' Meeting held in Neumarkt, Saturday 22nd May 2010

1. Current President's Welcome

Stefan Reichl opened the meeting and welcomed all the club presidents. He expressed his pleasure at seeing so many clubs present at the IMM and informed the meeting that there were 4740 weekend guests present at the IMM (of which some 2800 had pre-booked) plus day visitors.

Stefan conceded that space for camping had been an issue on Friday evening and thanked everyone for their help moving cars to create additional room for tents. He commented that we could all help future IMM organisers by booking early.

2. Bids to host IMM2012

Two clubs presented a bid to host the 2012 IMM.

Mini Club Hungary

Showed a short video about their club and their proposed location followed by a presentation. The Mini Club Hungary is a national club with over 130 members and is 21 years old.

They proposed an IMM held at the Füred campsite on the shores of Lake Balaton, to be held from 24th to 28th May 2012, with separate areas for classic only clubs and mixed clubs. They have an option on the entire campsite, however should numbers not be high enough then only a part of the campsite would be used. There is also a possibility to stay in a motel or a bungalow on the campsite at additional cost.

The ticket price offered was €60 (under 14's free) including Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast, a T-shirt, a rally plate and a goody bag. The event would include a trader area and various competitions. The club also promised that a beer would cost €1.

Q: How far is the location from here?

A: About 720km.

Q: Are new MINI's allowed?

A: Yes, but only in the mixed club area.

Q: Is the venue a real campsite, like the venue for IMM2005?

A: Yes, it is a real campsite with marked out pitches.

Q: Is it possible that other people will be staying on the campsite?

A: If there are 3500 bookings we will have the whole campsite, if there are less people attending the IMM, then there will be a marked off section of the campsite and other people may stay on the other part of the site.

Q: Can you give us an idea of the cost of the bungalows?

A: Exact costs are not yet known, but they think a bungalow for 5-6 people should cost in the region of €40 per night.

Q: What is the maximum capacity of the site?

A: There is space for 5500 people on the site, plus the option of an overflow area on the beach of the lake.

Q: Will people be allowed to turn up without booking?

A: Pre-booking is required. People turning up without having booked will only be admitted if space is still available and will not get a goody bag.

Q: Will there be a facility to pay by credit card or PayPal?

A: They hope so.

Q: Will the campsite be marked out into reserved club areas?

A: They are planning to set aside areas for pre-booked clubs, there will also be a free-for-all area for guests who do not book through a club.



Mini Alliance

The Mini Alliance is a coalition of the Mini e Moto Maniaci club from Florence and the Cooper Club Roma. Together the two clubs have around 400 members.

They showed a promo video of the region, their club, and their proposed location, followed by a presentation.

They proposed an IMM held at the Mugello motor racing circuit near Florence. Camping would be within the circuit and there is space for 20,000 people with 500 toilets and 500 showers on site.

The ticket price offered was €50 (under 14's and over 70's free) including Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast, a T-shirt, a bottle of wine, a bottle of mineral water and access to the circuit.

Q: Can they guarantee that the location will not change?

A: Yes. They have a fixed booking for the date of the IMM.

Q: How much will beer cost?

A: They will match €1 for a beer.

Q: How can you fund the hire of the circuit?

A: The circuit is subsidised by Ferrari, so they would only need to sell 600 tickets to cover the cost of hiring it.

Q: How would track access work?

A: Guests would be able to take their Mini on the track in groups of around 50, subject to having a suitable helmet and to passing driver and vehicle checks by the track marshals.

Q: What if there is an accident on the track?

A: The track is covered by insurance and going on the track is not compulsory.

Q: Will new MINI's be admitted?

A: Yes, all Mini's can come, the site is very big, so if you don't want to be near a new MINI then you can camp further along the site!

Q: How far is the location from here?

A: About 600-650km.

Q: Can you give us an idea of the cost of motorway tolls from the border to the location?

A: About €35.

Voting was by means of a secret ballot. 140 votes were cast, 59 for Italy and 81 for Hungary. The IMM2012 will be held in Hungary.

3. Update IMM2011

The Berner Mini Club thanked the Fan Club Mini Bavaria for putting on a great event. They informed the presidents that there were no changes since their presentation of last year and that the ticket price is being held at €60.

The IMM2011 official website has just gone live at www.imm2011.ch or www.imm2011.org and booking is now open and will remain open until the end of March. The site currently contains information about the event and further information about the area will be added in the coming weeks.

Access to the event will be by pre-booking only.

4. Questions to Fan Club Mini Bavaria

Q: Why are there only 6 showers provided?

A: There are in fact 36 showers on site and these are marked on the map.

5. General

There was some discussion about people arriving at the IMM without having booked in advance. There was a general consensus that pre-booking is necessary, however no vote was taken on this issue.



6. IMM Association

Wouter de Graaf, Helen Almond and Ian Almond gave a short presentation introducing the IMM Association - a group who will give help and support to future IMM organisers and clubs wishing to bid for an IMM. The IMM Association offered to take and publish the minutes of the presidents' meeting each year and to ensure the IMM regulations are kept up to date and made available. They also have set up a website and forum at www.internationalminimeeting.org and propose to claim the .org domain names for coming years so that these can be transferred to the winning club each year. A donation of around €100 would be appreciated from the host club to cover the cost of this.

7. MINI

Ulrich Arendts and Thomas Würtenberger from MINI AG gave a short presentation expressing their wish to continue to promote and support the IMM. They have a MINI fan newsletter and have provided live coverage of the 2008, 2009 and 2010 IMM's on their Facebook, Twitter and Youtube sites.

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