

# AGM and COUNCIL MEETING



**The Annual General Meeting of the ASWMC at The Hartnoll Country House Hotel, Tiverton, Devon on Sunday 26th October 2014 at 2.30pm.**

## MINUTES

Present: PP, MC PH, CH, CG, RB, EB, RS, NA, RN, VF, HW, CA, RG, AW, Kevin Moore (Go Motorsport, hereafter KM), delegates representing the following clubs : Bath MC, Bexley LCC, Bristol MC, Burnham-on-Sea MC, Camel Vale MC, CRSW, Devizes & DMC, Exmouth MC, HSA, North Devon MC, Silverton MC, South Hams MC, Torbay MC, Woolbridge MC and Andy Webb and Mark Hoppe (both Woolbridge MC members).

1. Apologies for absence.  
John Symes (MSA), Windwhistle, Epynt, Rodger Harvey, Duncan Stephens
2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 27<sup>rd</sup> October 2013 - accepted
3. Matters arising from those minutes - none
4. Revision of Association Rules and Regulations

Please see page at the end of these minutes for the proposed changes that were circulated with the agenda. The following were also raised in the meeting:

Andy Webb from Woolbridge – raised Car Trials. Rule 1, classes defined in event SRs. Several clubs do not use MSA classes, due to different championships etc. This means that Class 1 cars (unmodified) can end up running with heavily modified cars which consequently gives them no chance. Had spoken to BA, who said that it was very difficult to get rounds. AW said that Woolbridge could be persuaded to run another championship round. Suggestion from RB to define the classes in the championship regulations and have the organisers reclassify the results in to Association classes for the co-ordinator. . The following was proposed and carried:

### **Amend Car trials regulations 1 to read:**

*For the purposes for championship scoring the classes will be as MSA regulation T11-T11.4.3*

### **Amend Championship regulation 11:**

*Delete “where appropriate”*

*Insert “as per the relevant ASWMC championship class structure for that specific discipline”*

Pete Barnard asked about points for navigational rally organisers. Currently they stand at 12 and felt that 13 or 15 would be appropriate. RG expressed agreement,

three people could have put on the Guy Fawkes but wouldn't because they felt they could get more points by competing. The following was proposed and carried:

**Open navigational rally championship rule 7 and endurance rule 4:**

*Delete "12" and replace with "15".*

5. Election of Officers.

All unchanging members were re-elected, plus the following changes to championship co-ordinators:

Colin Anderson (Autocross) and Nic Ayre (All-rounders and Under 21).

6. Election of Members of the Executive

HW, VF, RH were re-elected unopposed

7. MSA representatives : John Symes - not present

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**ASWMC Council meeting at The Hartnoll Country House Hotel, Tiverton, Devon on Sunday 26th October 2014, following the AGM**

MINUTES

1. Attendance and apologies for absence - as the AGM above
2. Minutes of the Council Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> March 2014 - accepted
3. Matters arising from those minutes - none
4. General Secretary's Report

New clubs - Maesteg & DMC, Wolverhampton & South Staffs

5. Executive Committee Report by the Chairman together with Motor Sports Council and Specialist Committee Reports

PP – 2014 has been a good year for the Association with stronger Championship registrations and more Go Motorsport activity. New applicant clubs to the MSA must now provide more information about their 25 members. New Sprint venues in the region should help that Championship. We have won two MSA Inter-Association competitions – Sprint and Autocross. The Deregulation Bill is going through Parliament to allow Closed Road motorsport. We have three applicant clubs for the MSA Club of the Year. WCR is doing well with help from a number of MSA grants. There is an issue of permits for events that take place over two days that is still to be resolved. The MSA event fees for Nat B are to remain unaltered in 2015.

6. Treasurer's Report

Financial position is quite good, sufficient funds in the bank to counter any problem that might arise. We offer support to Trainee Clerks of the Course in the form of

fuel allowances, and have loaned money to WCR, half of which has already been repaid. 80 clubs, all have paid. No questions from the floor.

7. Championship Co-ordinators', Training Officer, and Forestry Liaison Officer's Reports

RN – training planned Feb / Mar 2015, subject to funding.

Forestry Liaison Officers Report: Most forests in the South West are now clear of Phytophthora Ramoram – the Larch disease.

Most rallies have managed to run successfully in 2014. There are however more restrictions on usage in Devon –in particular in the Holsworthy area and parts of the Haldon area. Some areas are now only usable at night.

The Forestry Commission has increasing concerns about safety on their land (particularly after the Jim Clark accidents). Events must produce risk assessments for the actual events and the set up days.

Marshal numbers and locations will be scrutinised. Events that run outside of the Master Agreement are going to find it increasingly controlled and more expensive. Organisers must expect to have to provide more method statements, marshal plans and operation/safety manuals for any event on Forestry Commission land. This will apply to most activities including 4x4, motorcycle and mountain biking.

The FC also has concerns about damage caused by events running off the main tracks.

2015 Allocations will soon be released. I expect all of those in our area to be granted. I expect there to be an additional Classic Road Rally to take up and use a new allocation in February, using forest tests in Devon and Somerset. The established Stage and Endurance Rallies in our area are expected to run, albeit possibly in a changed format for one.

8. Dates

9. Any Other Business - none

Meeting closed 15.50

## Proposed Regulation Changes for 2014 ASWMC AGM

### ASWMC Championship Rule 8.c

*Where a club wishes to change its date in an ASWMC Championship calendar which could have a negative impact on a pre-existing event in any ASWMC Championship the Executive shall have power to remove the event which wishes to change its date in the calendar from its ASWMC Championship.*

Discussion : HW explained the rationale based on sealed rally and a loose rally on the same date causing a shortage of officials, marshals and other services required to run events.

The rule change proposed above was carried

### ASWMC General Rule 11:

**Remove:** Existing Rule

**Insert:** *The Annual Subscription for each club shall be £40.00. A discount of £5.00 shall be given to clubs who pay by Standing Order. If an invoice for £40.00 remains unpaid for 2 months after the date of the invoice, then a £5.00 penalty shall be applied. Where clubs have not paid the Annual Subscription by 1 April the Association reserve the right to remove such clubs from membership of the Association and impose a re-joining fee of £50.00 in addition to the Annual Subscription Fee.*

Discussion : PB asked about club officials changing and things getting lost. The problem is that often clubs don't tell the association about changes to officials. NA suggested that clubs should take the positive step of renewing and completing the club official's form.

The rule change proposed above was carried

### ASWMC AutoSolo Championship

**Delete:** Rule 3.2

Carried

### Autocross Championship Rule 5:

**Remove:** Existing rule

**Insert:**

*Points will be awarded after EACH timed run to the respective class position.  
Points awarded for the best 2 timed runs of each day of competition.*

<i>Class position on timed run</i>	<i>3 or more competitors in class Points</i>	<i>2 competitors in class Points</i>	<i>1 competitor in class Points</i>
<i>1<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>15</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>2<sup>nd</sup></i>	<i>14</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>3<sup>d</sup></i>	<i>13</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>4<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>12</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>11</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>6<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>10</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>

7 <sup>th</sup>	9	-	-
8 <sup>th</sup>	8	-	-
9 <sup>th</sup>	7	-	-
10 <sup>th</sup>	6	-	-
11 <sup>th</sup>	5	-	-
12 <sup>th</sup>	4	-	-
13 <sup>th</sup>	3	-	-
14 <sup>th</sup>	2	-	-
15 <sup>th</sup>	1	-	-
<i>Failed run or Retired</i>	1	1	1

*Championship Results:*

10 or 11 rounds run 8 to count  
 12 or 13 rounds run 9 to count  
 14 or 15 rounds run 10 to count  
 16 or 17 rounds run 12 to count

Carried