SGM & COUNCIL MEETING



ASWMC SGM & Council meeting 8th March 2015 at 2.30pm

SGM MINUTES

The following clubs were represented: 750MC, Bexley LCC, Bristol MC, Burnham-on-sea MC, BWRDC, Camel Vale MC, CRSW, HSA, Newquay AC, Silverton MC, Torbay MC, WSM MC, Woolbridge MC

Executive committee members: PP, MC, CG, RB, CA, RS, CH (Chris House), RN, PH, VF, AW, HW, RH

1. Apologies for absence.

Executive: NA, Carlie Hart, DS, BA, KM (Go Motorsport), RG, EB

Clubs: DEWS, Devizes

- 2. Minutes of the SGM 9th March 2014 accepted
- 3. Matters arising from those minutes none
- 4. Association accounts to 31st December 2014.
 CG presented the accounts for 2014 (attached). Proposed Bexley, 2ns CRSW, carried
- 5. Any other business of the SGM none

COUNCIL MINUTES

- 1. Apologies for absence per SGM
- 2. Minutes of the council meeting 26th October 2014 accepted
- 3. General Secretary's Report

New member club: BWRDC. Viv Ayres, representing BWRDC spoke about the club and its reasons for joining the association.

Reminded clubs of the existence of association general rule nine and noted that it would be enforced at this year's AGM – therefore no proposals for regulation changes will be accepted for a vote unless made in accordance with rule nine.

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

MSA Club Development Fund. Applications granted up to 60%, although the awards panel has discretion to increase this to 80% for deserving applications.

Maximum of £6000 or £10000 total project value in any given year, priority to safety items or items recommended by the MSA's venue inspectorate.

There is a second MSA radio frequency which requires the radios to be modified, the club development fund is providing £70 per unit toward this for new units or £48 toward 2nd hand units.

There is an MSA British Championship fund.

There is support for Inter-Association events up to £250 per event.

There is an Officials Development Fund, to better integrate practices in offshore islands and provide travel grants for Licensed Officials to attend events to enable upgrading.

New Club Support Grant intended to encourage development of clubs organisation and marketing, aimed at increasing participation of young people.

Venue safety improvements normally funded to 60%, discretion for up to 80%, similarly Rescue Fund.

Latest MSA News had a notification that Specialist Committee nominations are required soon.

MSA has said there is a significant growth in the MSA fixture list this year.

From 1/1/16 Judges of Fact will need to be named in SRs, FIs or a bulletin. CH asked where this came from. PP said it came from the Judicial Committee as a result of a Trials Committee consultation.

Deregulation Bill should clear Parliament by 31st March. No closed road events until 2016.

Safety and medical radio frequency has been secured.

List 1B is likely to disappear at the end of the year. There will be list 1C, but they are not road legal and irrelevant to the roadgoing categories of Speed Events. The subject is on the agenda for S&H SC meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report

Jan-Feb 2015. Club subscriptions in this period are up as all but three clubs have already paid. Competitor registrations are up on the same period last year.

6. Championship Co-ordinators', Training Officer, Forestry Liaison Officer Reports:

Autocross – registrations are healthy, cover from West Wales to East coast, 8 clubs, 9 venues, 10 rounds. Two day Sandocross at WsM including camping on the beach. Trying to improve promotion at car events.

Sprint – 55 contenders at present, starts at Combe then Hullavington.

Hillclimb - 75 contenders.

Rallies – numbers level, two events in each championship except enduro. Entries on events are generally higher than previous.

Training - Training day at Wiscombe on 29th March for rallies.

Forestry – The troubled time that the area has experienced with the Forestry Commission has been addressed with a local meeting to improve understanding of each other's expectations and needs. The emphasis is on public and spectator safety with a secondary emphasis on competitor safety.

7. Venue development

No report.

8. Newsletter

Moving the newsletter to a magazine type news format so results only twice a year. Looking to get more content from outside the executive and photos. Also looking to get fixed deadlines to clubs so they know when to send in copy.

9. Any Other Business

PP attends Regional Committee, it provides one-to-one access to the people that work at the MSA full time so can seek clarification on issues that concern member clubs. Has some influence on Committee Chairman who is on Motor Sport Council. Gets Minutes of all MSA committees so can feed back to Association Council. It is important that competitors keep an eye on the MSA website for proposed regulation changes. At Regional they receive reports from the Chief Executive and others on their latest activities. Since PP attends several meetings a year this provides an avenue to obtain information from there.

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