

Minutes of the General Meeting held 13th August 2019 at Kilton Inn, Mere

Present:

Stephen Ellison (Warrington), David Gregory (Quinton), Mike Lawson (Knutsford), Martin Wildsmith (Buccaneer), John Buckley (Glossop), Richard Jones (Chester), Martin & Helen Fox (Wigan), Derek Machin & Jan Baddeley (BRMC), Jon Aston (That's Motorsport), Jim Spencer (BRCA & Hagley), Eric Cowcill (PAN), Katy Mashiter (KLMC & Morecambe), Dave Thomas (North Wales), Chris Winstanley (Longton), Paul Goodman & David Rainsbury (MGCC NW), Paul Kelly (Boundless by CSMA), Steve Johnson (Under 17), Tracey Smith (Accrington), Bill Wilmer (Gemini & SD34), Jerry Lucas (Wallasey), Bill Turner (Wallasey & BRMC), Gareth Roberts & Mike McKeown (Broughton & Bretton), Mike Harris (Wallasey & BRSCC NW), Chris Brown (Lindholme), Michael Ashcroft (Aintree Circuit Club), John Harden (Liverpool), Mark Wilkinson (Stockport 061, ERO, SD34, Motor Sport NW), Bob Milloy (KLMC & Stockport 061)

Apologies:

Maurice Ellison (Clitheroe), Graeme Forrester (Wigton), Pat Marchbank (Wallasey), Dave Read (Warrington), Ann McCormack (Warrington), Gwyn Jones (C&A), Dawn Weaver (WSSCC), Helen Bashford-Malkie (ProtoEV), Phil Barley (Clwyd Vale), Karl Edmondson (British Crossfires)

The Chairman, Bob Milloy, welcomed Sue Sanders (Head of Education & Training at Motorsport UK) and all delegates to the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting

Proposed Eric Cowcill
Seconded Michael Ashcroft

Matters Arising

Karen Spencer's question regarding replacement to ViM website – Sue Sanders reported that Motorsport UK has accepted that there needs to be somewhere for marshals and have someone working on a replacement which should hopefully be live before the end of the year.

From May meeting, under Reports – it is the new Rules Committee that will be making changes, not quite correct that it is the Board.

Tyres – it's down to the manufacturers – what they believe to be a safe tyre for its use. Paul Goodman noted that the (2020)removal of list 1 tyres was good news.

Reports

Sue Sanders

Sue gave an overview on the current Education & Training department:

James Betchley - Volunteer & Officials Pathway Manager

There will be an advert this week for a Marshal Development Officer (title TBC!) who will report to James.

Currently Greg Symes holds the position of Competitor Pathway Manager; however he is moving across to work with FIA, so an advert will go live for this role shortly.

Jen Carty has moved back to be a member of the team undertaking Safeguarding.

Becky Maidment is sitting in the middle of the whole team as Training Administrator.

New learning modules will be going live September onwards.

New way of presenting the marshal grading scheme.

Sue has a meeting with Hugh Chambers next week about recruitment & awareness across grass root levels There are 2 sub groups from the Marshal Working Group, with 1 looking at recruitment and the other looking at retention.

Training Day application forms are now available for 2020 (if anyone requires a form, please email secretary@anwcc.co.uk) - the panel that approve applications are all voluntary and look at 200 applications, so does take some time.

Looking at possibly changing the terminology of Club Steward to Event Steward - it's currently seen as a job for the 'old men' - but have they had recent training / awareness of the changes in the sport?

Suze Endean has been replaced by Claire Kirkpatrick, but in a slightly different role.

Looking at Co-Driver Training - Matt Endean and Sasha Heriot, working with Greg Symes to progress this, but not compulsory training.

It was mentioned about the 'clunkiness' of the calendar / permit system.

Sue Sanders has spoken to Simon Fowler post meeting, who reports:

The Fixture list (calendar of events) usually opens mid-September to clubs who have registered for the following year.

The fixtures are inscribed online and are generated from the permit system but are dependent on the permit fees being set and the codes entered on the system for the following year. As soon as the fees are approved by the Board, we will update the systems. This year we will have to wait for our system to be updated (due to the review) before we can upload the 2020 fees and codes.

The fixture system is linked to the permit system, the idea is that clubs inscribe the fixtures at the beginning of the year which are published on the website, then later in the year when the organisers have the draft SR's, the organiser applies for the permit online using the fixture details.

Although we remind organisers every year to inscribe their fixtures many clubs ignore the requirement (D3.1), and just inscribe the events when they apply for the permits about 6 -8 weeks before the event.

If the fees were confirmed earlier in the year we could update the systems earlier, but I would estimate that there would be very few fixtures inscribed now for 2020.

Council

Proposed 50 strong won't happen for a while, Hugh Chambers has said that it doesn't need fully populating for a while, first meeting is 3rd October.

<u>Autotest</u>

Looking at whether they can re-write the rules for PCA/Autosolo/Autotest to simplify them.

<u>Rallies</u>

Met on May 8. No further news on tracking, looking at road rally safety requirements and general regulations, updated SRSR appendices and some unacceptable car modifications

Cross-Country

Looking at doing away with tyre list 5A/B/C and also weights of cars - cars are getting too fast for the courses.

Marshals Working Group

Meet 24th September

Regional

Met in May and on Aug 7, albeit with several members 'at home' via a tele conference call, including Bob with Chris Woodcock at Manchester Airport.

There have been 200 applications for the 'new' Council.

Rally GB - move to Northern Ireland? Possibly, but not next year - Wales have 2 year deal left and have said can retain this for future years.

Currently 10 closed road events happening.

Revolution Magazine (via app/email) - if you're not receiving notification that one is available, please email sarah.tibbetts@motorsportuk.org and it will be looked at.

Nicky Moffitt is standing down as Chair of Regional Committee, having been involved for 38 years. Peter Weall is becoming Chair and Chris Woodcock is replacing Peter as Vice-Chair.

Benefits of competing in permitted events – Ian Berry has spoken to circuits, an article is being worked on. Inter Association – we are due to host the Sprint in 2020; Liverpool MC and MGCC have been invited to submit suitable dates.

Specialist committee members are on a 3 x 3 year maximum term, however a further 2 year period will be added to avoid about an 80% loss if this was enforced now.

3 members from Council are being elected to the new Board which meets on 20th November.

Rules Committee – meet 24th September, currently made up of Chairs of Specialist Committee.

Looking at moving Motorsport UK House to Bicester Heritage Centre in Summer 2020. Sue commented that in the next couple of weeks it will be announced to the staff – moving to a temporary building for a couple of years whilst a new building is built; already have CBRE looking at how they can increase the value of the current building.

Speed

Proposal from Working Group to Sub Committee on 6 June 2019 – Speed Committee document received by some delegates at 16.30 today – however proposal period is too short.

Bob commented that the some of the detail is doubtful, feels it will get 'knocked back' in the consultation period.

Secretary

Dates for 2020 Forestry events in England & Scotland

Minutes of the Motorsport UK Rally Championship Steering Group

Applications for Member Clubs:

None

Event Invitations:

Wallasey Motor Club - Promenade Stages at New Brighton on 6th & 7th September

LARA

Powys are applying different rules to different clubs and LARA have produced document relating to the rules/regulations - available at http://laragb.org/pdf/LARA 20190726 MotorsportEventsOnPROW.pdf

Treasurer

Dave Thomas reported there are three clubs who have still not paid their subs for 2019 - these being Barcud, GT40 and Morgan.

Championships

Dave Thomas reported:

221 competitors which is up on last year, with 115 being renewals, 41 returned and 65 newcomers.

Road Rally registrations well down, so need to try and reverse that trend in 2020.

95 championship events held so far.

Date changes keep happening, and clubs should let me know. Similarly, let me know when regs are coming out so that I can link to their website for the info. Please email anwcc@talktalk.net if your event date is changing.

Date of Awards Presentation - 26th January 2020 at Hallmark, Handforth - tickets available in due course. Forms for clubs to update their contact details, also to let me have their calendar for 2020, will be on our website within next month.

Marshal draw winners:

May - Tracey Smith June - Helen Winterburn July - Steve Johnson

Training

26th January 2020 at Warrington Campus.

If anyone wants help running training days, or completing budget application form - please email Katy at info@mediachoices.co.uk.

Jan Baddeley advised that she will not be extending her very long term involvement

Any Other Business

Sue Sanders made a closing statement on behalf of Motorsport UK, in thanking Jan Baddeley and Derek Machin for all they've done with training days and the ViM website over the past years.

Next Meeting

12th November

Kilton Inn, Warrington Road, Hoo Green, Knutsford, WA16 OPZ

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