



ANWCC Minutes of Meeting
held 14th May 2024
Mere and Tabley Community Club,
Warrington Rd, Mere, Knutsford
WA16 0TD



Action Summary

The following actions are summarised from the meeting minutes:

Minute	Action	
2024.18 a) - Racing	Contact BARC (NW) and report any recommendations on how ANWCC may help BARC (NW).	Eric Cowcill
2024.19 - Sustainability	Begin ANWCC application for sustainability accreditation.	Tracey Smith
2024.24 - Training	Find venue for practical fire training	Tracey Smith
2024.25 - Any Other Business	Add Safeguarding as a standing agenda item.	Tracey Smith
2024.25 - Any Other Business	Write to MSUK requesting information on the recruitment and training of new Championship Eligibility Scrutineers.	Mark Wilkinson/ Tracey Smith

Apologies for Absence:

John Harden (Vice-Chairman and Liverpool MC), Jim Spencer (Treasurer/BRCA and Hagley), David Gregory (Quinton MC), Jon Cordery (BRMC), Martin Blackburn (Manx MSMA), John and Sue Coe (Blackpool and Fylde Land Rover Club), Heidi Woodcock (CDMC), Roy Bell (ANEMMC), Steve Johnson (CSMA, Accrington MSC and U17MC(NW)), Martin Jelley (PDVCC), Barry Wilkinson (PDMC), Graeme Forrester and Eddie Parsons (Wigton MC), Maurice Ellison (Press Officer/Clitheroe DMC), Robert Hall (South Oxon Car Club), Chris Brown (Lindholme MSC), Michael Ashcroft (Aintree Circuit Club), Chris Winstanley (Longton DMC), Richard Murtha (Lancashire Automobile Club) and Russ Henstock (Knutsford DMC).

Present were:

Paul Goodman (MGCC (NW)), Mike McKeown and Gareth Roberts (Bretton and Broughton MC), Eric Cowcill (PaN), John Buckley (Glossop DMC), Roger Hopkins (Knutsford DMC), Steve Kenton (Garstang and Preston MC), Jonathan Armishaw (AMRO), Martin and Helen Fox (Wigan DMC) and Ann McCormack (Warrington DMC).

Officials present were:

Mark Wilkinson (Chairman/Stockport 061/Motor Sport (North West)/2300 Club), Dave V Thomas (Championships Co-Ordinator, North Wales CC), Katy Mashiter (Training and KLMC/Morecambe CC) and Tracey Smith (Secretary/BRMC).

2024.14 - Welcome

Mark Wilkinson welcomed delegates to the meeting.

2024.15 - Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes were proposed by Katy Mashiter and seconded by Eric Cowcill.

Actions from the previous meeting:

2023.67 (Any Other Business) Mark Wilkinson to raise concerns about the increasing administrative burden placed on clubs by MSUK. *Ongoing.*

2023.67 (Any Other Business) Mark Wilkinson to raise the importance of recognising grassroots motorsport with MSUK and ask MSUK to escalate this to Sport England. *Ongoing.*

2024.03 (Matters Arising) Mark Wilkinson to raise concerns about the poor quality of documentation provided by MSUK. *Ongoing.*

2024.03 (Matters Arising) Mark Wilkinson to ask MSUK to provide a 24-hour contact number to support Club Safeguarding Officers. *Done-under review by MSUK.*

2024.08 (Championships) Volunteers needed to assist Dave Thomas in his role as Championships Coordinator. *Dave reported that he has received several offers of help with the speed championship and thanked clubs for getting in touch.*

2024.09 (Press) Volunteer needed to take over the role of Press Officer.

2024.10 (Training) Clubs to contact Katy Mashiter with their 2024 training requirements.

2024.11 (Any Other Business) Tracey Smith to add sustainability as a standing agenda item for future meetings. *Done.*

2024.16 - Matters Arising

Graham Forrester has produced a paper relating to the loss of speed venues and increasing costs of track license fees to be raised directly with Motorsport UK Speed Committee. Paul Goodman spoke in support of this paper and highlighted a number of potential issues affecting speed events in the north west.

Dave Thomas suggested that we could consider offering a grant directly from ANWCC or that clubs could apply to the Club Development Fund. It was also suggested that clubs could consider setting up a fund for competitors to contribute to.

2024.17 - Motorsport UK Reports

National Competition Rules (NCR's) have been published on the MSUK website and can be found at <https://www.motorsportuk.org/the-sport/trialnrc/>. NCR's replace the Year Book and come into effect from 2025. MSUK are seeking volunteer clubs to host trial events in 2024 to test the new rules. Clubs wishing to run their event under the trial NCR should contact NCR@motorsportuk.org. Clubs are reminded that early preparation for their 2025 events is needed to ensure event document is updated to reflect the new NCR's.

Regional Associations have been asked to update their websites to reflect all motorsport disciplines.

2024.18 - Discussion

a) Racing

Tracey Smith has had discussions with BARC (NW) regarding the potential to host a Circuit Racing Championship as a Challenge under ANWCC permit. Dave Thomas stated this may be quite complicated depending on BARC (NW) regulations. There was some discussion about the current status of their championship and whether or not this was sponsored and therefore would attract a permit fee. Eric Cowcill is a Steward for the BARC (NW) championship and kindly agreed to speak with BARC (NW). Eric will report back to committee with his recommendations on how ANWCC may help BARC (NW).

b) Rallying

Insurance for safety cars on closed road rallies- the issue of no insurance is being addressed by Motorsport UK directly.

Tyres on rally events – there was discussion around enforcement of the new tyre rules (tyre numbers) and the self-declaration form.

c) Karting

Nothing to report.

d) Cross-Country

Nothing to report.

e) Autotest/Autosolo

Nothing to report.

f) Sprint/Hillclimb

Nothing to report.

2024.19 - Sustainability

Regional Associations are expected to apply for MSUK sustainability accreditation. Tracey Smith to begin the application process for ANWCC.

Paul Goodman asked if sustainable fuel is really 'sustainable' or should it be called non-fossil or synthetic fuel?

2024.20 - Secretary's Report

a.) Correspondence

Tracey Smith attended the ANEMMC delegates meeting on 15 April as a guest.

Minutes received from ASWMC delegates meeting held on 11th February 2024 and AEMC delegates meeting held 19 March 2024.

Marshals appeal received from the Jim Clark Rally.

UCLan student has produced a documentary on the struggles of getting into motorsports. 'Cash is King-a Motorsports Tale' can be found on [YouTube](#).

b.) New Member Clubs

Applications to join ANWCC were received from Extractor Rescue, South Oxon Car Club and Aberdare Motor Club. No objections were received and all clubs were welcomed as full members of ANWCC.

c.) LARA

Eric Cowcill reported that the LARA AGM is next week.

2024.21 - Treasurer's Report

Jim Spencer sent a written apology and stated that an administrative error by Lloyds Bank has resulted in correspondence being sent to his old address and that the Lloyds had locked our account as a result. Jim is working to restore access. Delegates who have outstanding expenses payments should get in touch with Tracey Smith with the details.

2024.22 - Championships

Dave Thomas reported that 4 clubs still owe subscriptions fees for 2024. We now have 136 member clubs. Competitor registration now stands at 295 which is up on this time last year. There have been 50 championship events to date.

Motorsport UK will publish information on which clubs have named ANWCC as their primary association.

Marshals Monthly Prize Draw-the winners were:

- February - Steven Smith (Accrington MSC)
- March - Rob Jos (Harlech, NWCC and C&A)
- April - Peter Sharples (Bolton-le-Moors CC)

Mark Wilkinson congratulated the winners of the £25 monthly prize draw.

2024.23 - Press

No report.

2024.24 - Training

ANWCC hosted a Safeguarding Officials Seminar at Haydock on 30 March. Further events are being promoted by MSUK. The next event in the Region will be in Manchester on 29 June. <https://www.motorsportuk.org/the-sport/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>

We will be holding a new to timing and new to radio marshals training course on 8 June at Myerscough College. This is for complete beginners only and is not intended for those with any experience. Timing training will include Liege timing.

Katy Mashiter and Mark Wilkinson stated there was a need for practical fire training but that there was no suitable venue available. Tracey Smith agreed to try and find a suitable venue and provide details to Katy.

2024.25 - Any Other Business

Tracey Smith to add Safeguarding as a standing agenda item.

Paul Goodman expressed concern that there appears to be little recruitment and training of new Championship Eligibility Scrutineers and there was a real risk that there will soon be a shortage of available qualified scrutineers. Mark Wilkinson (or Tracey Smith) to write to Sue Fletcher to ask what plans MSUK have regarding recruitment and training of new Championship Eligibility Scrutineers and to request details of the assessment process and how many new scrutineers are being trained.

2024.26 - Date of next meeting

Tuesday 13 August 2024 from 8pm at Mere and Tabley Community Club, Warrington Rd, Mere, Knutsford WA16 0TD.

2024.27 - Meeting ended at 21:04 hours.
