

SIDECAR MOTOCROSS ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at The Sultan, Waltham Abbey – 17-01 2010 at 4.00pm.

Members Present – Ian Cooper – *Chairman*; Chris Helm – *Vice Chairman and Press Officer*; Sue Tye – *Treasurer*; Steve Tye – *Secretary*; Nicky Maguire – *Membership Secretary*; Pam Humphrey – *Bulletin Editor*; Paul Pelling – *British Championship Co-ordinator*; Lydia Blackman – *Clubmans Championship Co-ordinator*; Roy Humphrey, Sue Kemp, Eric Maguire and Ann Reynolds – *Committee Members*. Also Present – Les Batten and Eddie Herd – *Guests*

1. **APOLOGIES** – None

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** – These were approved.

Proposed by Pam Humphrey, Seconded by Nicky Maguire and carried.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES (a)100 Club.** A question was asked about the 100 Club funds as Martin Guilford had resigned from his SMCA positions. The Treasurer stated that these funds were held in a separate account administered by Martin and Rob Batten. The Chairman offered to contact Martin and establish the current position. – Action *Ian Cooper*. **(b) Registration Fees for Clubmans Championship.** This was discussed as a way of covering the administration and other costs incurred in the running of the Championship. The following proposal was made - A Registration Fee of £25. Membership of The SMCA will include Automatic Registration. Only Registered Riders will be able to score championship points. Proposed by Eric Maguire, Seconded by Lydia Blackman and carried.

4. **CHAIRMANS REPORT** – The new Chairman wished to record a vote of thanks to Les Batten, Martin Guilford and Gary Patey who had all stood down from the previous Committee.

5. **SECRETARYS REPORT** – As per AGM

6. **TREASURERS REPORT** – As per AGM

7. **PRESS OFFICERS REPORT** – As per AGM

8. **BULLETIN EDITORS REPORT** – As per AGM

9. **MEMBERSHIP SECRETARYS REPORT** – As per AGM

10. **MAXXIS BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIPS** – Chris Helm had compiled a list of jobs that need to be done on the day of British Championship rounds. This was gone through a volunteers got for most of the tasks.

<u>JOBS TO BE DONE</u>	<u>RESPONSIBILITY</u>	<u>JOBS TO BE DONE</u>
Liaise with club to ensure as many entries as possible have been received. Chase late entries	PP	Ensure that overall result on the day (1st 3 places) is made available to commentator
Create preview and send to TMX	CH	Ensure start positions are worked out from entries received and implemented in pit box. Reserves to be allowed in if not full line up
Collect official results from club	CH	Ensure 15 second board operator is introduced to the start crew & made aware of their procedures.
Keep championship results spreadsheet up to date	CH	Arrange for 100 club sponsorship money to be paid to organising clubs
Order trophies for each round	IC & AR	
Arrange for trophies to be delivered to each venue	IC & AR	
Take delivery of trophies at each event and arrange for them to be available at for the final presentation	IC & AR	
Assist commentator at presentation	IC & AR	
Keep track of passenger changes and advise recorder about known changes		IC and AR will try to keep this up to date.
Organise storage of photo board and delivery to every round of championship. Erect at start of day and dismantle and remove at end of day	IC & AR	
Arrange for printing of programme covers and posters	LUCY BUTCHER	Afternote: This will still happen. IC to arrange with Lucy

Arrange for despatch of posters and programme covers to each club	LUCY BUTCHER
Arrange for 100 club stickers to be available at each round and ensure they are displayed on every bike	LYDIA
Arrange for series sponsors banners to be delivered to each meeting	IAN + HELP
Arrange for banners to be displayed around track. Take down at end of day.	IAN + HELP

Afternote will be despatched by Lucy direct to clubs. Cost to SMCA

It was confirmed the Maxxis had agreed to continue with their Sponsorship but they insisted that all competing riders **MUST** display a Maxxis Sticker in a forward facing position on the front of the machine. As this money was used to make the bonus payments at the end of the season any riders who had not complied **WOULD NOT** be entitled to any bonus payment.

11. CHAMPIONSHIP SUB-COMMITTEES – These will comprise of –

British	Co-ordinator	Paul Pelling
	Recorder	Chris Helm
	Member	Ian Jenkins
Clubmans	Co-ordinator	Lydia Blackman
	Recorder	Ann Reynolds
	Member	Eric Maguire

12. CLUBMANS CHAMPIONSHIP – Lydia reported that finding rounds was proving difficult due to clashes with British and UMX rounds. 4 rounds had been finalised, Binsted, Stebbing, Frome and Rusper. Les Batten had offered to run a 2nd round at Rusper in September, but this would have to double up as a South East Centre Championship as well. Both Lydia and Eric, together with Steve to try and come up with 2 further rounds.

13. DAVID LLOYDS LATEST PAPER. – A discussion was had on David’s final submission on grading and average points scores. He has obviously put in a great deal of time and effort as was displayed in his presentation. It was felt that it was probably not the right time to try and implement these in the Championships, but it was agreed to look at the possibility of using some of his ideas in a one-off sidecar race meeting, if one could be arranged. The Committee thanks to David for all his efforts.

14. **LANGRISH SIDECAR GP** – The Chairman offered to write to Chris Warren to offer the assistance of the SMCA and to find out how this could best be given. He would also inform Chris of how he gains access to the Cyril Palmer GP Fund.
15. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** – (a) **DINNER DANCE** -The Chairman stated that new organisers need to be found for the Dinner Dance in 2010. Lydia and Eric offered to help. They will be looking at all aspects and possibly a new venue. Sue stated that the Village Hotel had been very helpful over the last 2 years and had been eager to help.
- (b) **2010 TEAM RACE** - The Chairman asked about the Team Managers position in the light of Martin Guilford no longer being on the Committee. Steve stated that he thought Martin had been in touch with the ACU and offered to continue in the role. The Chairman said that it was normally the case that the SMCA voted on the position and made that recommendation to the ACU. Steve was asked if he would be prepared to take on the job again and he replied that he would. A vote was taken and Steve was recommended. The Chairman would contact Martin to talk to him about the decision.
- (c) **GRADING LIST** – Les Batten had been asked about the Sidecar Expert / Junior Grading List. No conclusion was reached.
- (d) **PROGRAMME ADVERTISING** – Eric Maguire wondered if a possible source of advertisers could be found amongst those who advertise on Sidecacross.com.
- (e) **PHOTO CDs** – Ann Reynolds had raised £160 through the sale of her photo CDs. She had donated this to the SMCA. A vote of thanks was recorded to Ann for her efforts.
- (f) **FLYERS** – Lydia asked about the production of flyers advertising the Championship dates. She said there was a degree of urgency as the first rounds are not far off.
16. **NEXT MEETING** – will be held at Arborfield Barracks on Saturday March 13th at 1.00pm. Please notify Ian of your Car Make, Model and Registration Number so arrangement can be made for those attending to gain entry to the barracks.
Meeting closed at 17.35