



Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Logistics:	Date: 8.10.2011 Time: 13.00	Location: Arena Leisure Centre, Colchester
Next Meeting:	Date: 11.12.2011 Time: 13.00	Location: TBA

Invitees & Attendance:

Present		Apologies	
Name	Name	Name	Name
Ian Cooper	Eric Maguire	Steve Tye	Paul Pelling
Nicky Maguire	Sue Tye	Sue Chennells	Roy Humphrey
Michelle Mitchell	Ann Reynolds	John Pannell	Pam Humphrey
Lydia Blackman	Steve Randall	Adam Field	Sue Kemp
Doug Woods Chris Helm	Jo Reynolds Stephen Pannell		Neil Warrington Jeff Plimmer

Agenda:

Chairman's Introduction	1300 - 1310	Ian Cooper
Minutes of the Last Meeting	1310 - 1320	Steve Tye
Treasurer's Report	1320 - 1330	Sue Tye
Membership Update	1330 - 1340	Nicky Maguire
Press Co-ordinators Report	1340 - 1350	Ann Reynolds
British Championship	1350 - 1400	Chris Helm
Clubman's Championship	1400 - 1415	Lydia Blackman
An SMCA Open Championship	1415 - 1430	Ian Cooper
Trophy Winners - Voting	1430 - 1445	Ian Cooper
Dinner Dance	1445 - 1500	Micky & Jen Mitchell
Future of the SMCA	1500 - 1515	Ian Cooper



Action Points	1515 - 1525	Ian Cooper
Date/Location of AGM/Meeting	1525 - 1530	Ian Cooper

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What (**A** = Action point, **D** = Decision, **I** = Information)

Matters Arising from Minutes of the Committee Meeting	
I	<p>British Championships. There was a discussion regarding the influence on the championship results as a result of inviting European riders to have wild card entries and score points at the Ken Hall event when it is also a British Championship round.</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding the need for Championship registration in the current situation.</p> <p>There was a question as to how the MAXXIS sponsorship is being used by the ACU. It was felt that it was the duty of the ACU, not the SMCA, to explain how the sponsorship was being used. However it is known that the money is being used in a similar way to the way the SMCA used it, i.e. contributing to the organising clubs and supplying trophies.</p> <p>Team Race Shirt sponsorships were discussed and explained.</p>
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A	<p>The chairman will write to Sonia Goggin at the ACU H.Q. regarding</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The running of Langrish as both an international and British Championship round. 2. Non British riders riding as wild cards and being able to score points. 3. The registration fee, whether there is a need and how it is used. <p>The Chairman will include a brief explanation of the use of the sponsorship money from MAXXIS in his "Chairman's Rant"</p>
2	Sidecar Sunday
I	<p>This was still a matter arising. There was a discussion on how events had unfolded and how Sidecar Saturday will not now happen as the South Hants Club had not held their committee meeting at the time expected and it was now too late to organise the event.</p>
D	
A	NFA
3	Treasurer's Report
I	<p>The current Account stands at £ 6573.83</p> <p>The Savings accounts contain £2991.18</p>
D	
A	NFA
4	Membership Secretary's Report
I	<p>Currently there are 41 drivers, 26 passengers 69 supporters and family members.</p>
D	
A	NFA



5	Press	
I	Ann Reynolds stated that although the Des Nations report had been a week late there had been excellent coverage of sidecar motocross in TMX. Ann had continued to get coverage in the local press, the ACU website and had made use of the SMCA Facebook page Chris Helm stated that there was coverage of the British Championships in Belgium, Holland and Germany.	
D		
A	NFA	
6	Bulletin	
I	In the absence of Pam there was no Bulletin report	
D		
A	Chairman to write article for next bulletin	IAN COOPER
7	British Championship	
I	There was a discussion on the non-appointment of a replacement co-ordinator in Dave Williams' absence. Chris Helm said there appeared to be a difference of opinion between the ACU and the SMCA as to the role of the co-ordinator on the day of the event. Doug asked if there was any reason the SMCA did not appoint its own co-ordinator. The answer was no and it was felt it would probably be better to do so if someone could be found to do it. It is believed Sonia has received offers from Woolley Grange, Landrake and Langrish for 2012	
D		
A	Chairman to discuss co-ordinator role with the ACU	IAN COOPER
8	Clubmans' Championship	
I	This had been a great success with good numbers of entries and good racing at every round. Lydia and Eric had gone a great job and already had clubs volunteering to run rounds for the 2012 championship. Ann asked that all organising clubs be issued with a list of registered riders, a copy of the rules and current standings.	
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A	Clubman's Championship Co-ordinator to pass information to Clubs	
9	SMCA Open Championship	
I	Ian explained his vision for an SMCA open championship. This could give the top 10 riders in the British Championships some extra rides as at the moment all they would get in the UK would be the 6 championship rounds and little else. It is envisaged that it would be run across all of the current off road associations. This would be further developed and implemented if the UMX did not run	
D	There were no objections from the committee	
A		



10	Trophy Winners	
I	These were voted on and the winners decided. There was a request from Al Tricker that because of his ill health the SMCA take over the presentation of the trophies he currently presents i.e. the highest placed riders in the world championships.	
D	The committee decided unanimously to take over the administration of the Al Tricker trophies	
A	The results of all trophy winners will be announced at the Dinner dance.	
11	Dinner Dance	
I	Mickey Mitchell reported that 122 tickets had been sold. With the promises of further tickets being bought Mickey is confident that the 160 minimum target will be reached. Raffle prizes are being collected but more are sought. The charity to benefit will be the Air Ambulance and discussions took place about which particular one(s) should receive the donations.	
D		
A	Committee members to try to source a prize	ALL
12	SMCA Next Year	
I	The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer all intend to stand down at the AGM and the Membership Secretary wishes to stand down due to increased work commitments. Other members have stood down or expressed a wish to stand down. Therefore there will be a need for volunteers to come forward if the SMCA is to continue.	
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A	The Chairman will explain the consequences of this both on the website and in his address at the Dinner Dance.	IAN COOPER
13	Venue for the AGM	
I	Although the Sultan at Waltham Abbey had been booked for the AGM Nicky Maguire suggested that it would be prudent to move to a more central location in order to make it easier for members to attend given the significance of the decisions to be taken.	
D	It was decided to adopt Nicky's suggestion and seek a venue along the M4 corridor.	
A	Members to investigate possibilities.	ALL

There being no further business the meeting closed at 15.35