



<b>SMCA Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Meeting Minutes</b>
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<b>Meeting Logistics:</b>	<b>Date: 2.10.2010</b> <b>Time: 13.00</b>	<b>Location: Arborfield Barracks</b>
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	<b>Date: 05.12.2010</b> <b>Time: 13.00</b>	<b>Location:</b>

**Invitees & Attendance:**

Present		Apologies	
Name	Name	Name	Name
Ian Cooper	Eric Maguire	Steve Tye	Roy Humphrey
Sue Kemp	Nicky Maguire	Pam Humphrey	
Paul Pelling	Ann Reynolds	Chris Warren	
Lydia Blackman	Chris Helm		
Roger Blackman	Sue Tye		

**Agenda:**

ITEM	TIME	LEAD
Chairman's Introduction	1300 - 1310	Ian Cooper
Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Arising	1310 - 1330	Steve Tye
Treasurers Report Question. Have we donated to sidecarcross.com?	1330 - 1340	Sue Tye
Membership Update To include update on questionnaire replies	1340 - 1350	Nicky Maguire
Press Officers' Report	1350 - 1400	Chris Helm
British Championship 1. Update from MX Committee and plans for next year	1400 - 1450	Paul Pelling



2. Rule Changes		
Clubman's Championship 1. Plans for next year 2. Eligibility 3. Rule Changes	1450 - 1520	Lydia Blackman
100 Club Update Question. Should it continue?	1520 - 1540	Lydia Blackman
Practice Days	1540 - 1545	Ian Cooper
Voting for SMCA Trophies – Question do we buy replicas?	1545 - 1610	Ian Cooper
Dinner and Dance	1610 - 1625	Nicky Maguire
AGM 1. Question Who is going to stand for re-election? 2. How big should the committee be? 3. Why does the SMCA have no charter/rules?	1625-1650	Ian Cooper
Wash Up/Action Points	1650 - 1700	Ian Cooper

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

<b>1</b>	<b>Introductions</b>
<b>I</b>	Chris Warren who was representing the ACU welcomed to the meeting.
<b>D</b>	
<b>A</b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
<b>I</b>	Roy Humphrey
<b>D</b>	
<b>A</b>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Previous minutes and actions</b>
<b>I</b>	There had been insufficient copy given to Pam for a Bulletin to be published despite the requests from the previous meeting.
<b>D</b>	Ian Cooper to draft a proposal to table at the AGM



<b>A</b>		IAN COOPER
<b>4</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p>The donation to sidecarcross.com has just been organised. There had been a delay because the amount is based on the previous year's membership and the information had been difficult to obtain.</p> <p>Community Account once all the cheques written to date have been presented £4455.11</p> <p>Savings Accounts £2989.40</p> <p>The books have been prepared for scrutiny and will go to the auditor following the meeting. The committee were reminded that for this year the accounting period will be 8 months rather than a year to take account of the change of date of the AGM.</p>	
<b>D</b>		
<b>A</b>	Accounts to go for review.	SUE TYE
<b>5</b>	<b>Membership Secretary's Report</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p>The questionnaire had been analysed and the findings were discussed. There were a number of ideas of note and some members had expressed willingness to be involved. This was welcomed.</p> <p>A review of current membership was tabled. An analysis of membership revealed that there is unlikely to be a benefit by abolishing family membership, it is more likely to result in loss of membership rather than an increase and could produce a financial deficit.</p>	
<b>D</b>		
<b>A</b>	To encourage those who have expressed an interest to become involved at the AGM	ALL
	To table the proposed new membership fees at the AGM	NICKY MAGUIRE
<b>6</b>	<b>Press Officers Report</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p>Chris explained he had done all he could to publish the sport but there is increasing difficulty especially to obtain information on the GPs Chris cannot attend.</p> <p>Ann continues to develop links with local publications.</p>	
<b>D</b>		
<b>A</b>		
<b>7</b>	<b>British Championship</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p>Chris Warren explained that Brian Higgins, the Chairman of the motocross committee, was conscious that the ACU had left much of the organisation of the sidecar championships to the SMCA and felt that the ACU should have more involvement in future. There was no wish to take over completely nor to imply that the SMCA's organisation had been lacking.</p> <p>From next year the motocross committee want there to be a track inspection before each round.</p> <p>Chris mentioned the possibility of academy style training for 4 or 5 new young crews before the start of the season, possibly over 2 or 3 sessions.</p> <p>Ian Cooper stated that the SMCA had made up the shortfall from the 100 Club which has ceased to run but this would not be possible in 2011.</p>	



<b>D</b>	<p>There was a discussion about the various solo championships and whether it would be possible to run alongside them. Quads were also suggested and a possible partner for the meetings.</p> <p>There was a final suggestion for Chris to ask whether the ACU could deal with registration and entries for next year.</p> <p>There was a discussion on double points for the last round of the championship and whether it was needed.</p>	
<b>A</b>	<p>Chris Warren would report back on the discussions and enquire as to whether the final suggestion could be implemented.</p> <p>Double points on the final round to be tabled as an agenda item for discussion at the AGM</p>	<p>CHRIS WARREN</p> <p>IAN COOPER</p>
<b>8</b>	<b>Clubman's Championship</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p>There has been good year for the Clubman's Championship and discussions are already taking place with clubs for 2011 with possibly as many as 8 or 9 clubs interested. The Cornish club were pleased with their event.</p> <p>Eligibility. It would simplify matters to state that the top 10 from the previous years British Championship and previous Clubman's winners were not eligible.</p>	
<b>D</b>	<p>Lydia was interested in trying a Joker system for double points. Ann Reynolds said she would try to co-ordinate the points.</p>	
<b>A</b>		
<b>9</b>	<b>100 Club</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p>It was felt that in the current economic climate it is not realistic to try to revive the 100 Club.</p>	
<b>D</b>		
<b>A</b>	<p>Ian to contact Martin Guilford and ask for a cheque for any remaining funds to be made out to SMCA.</p>	<p>IAN COOPER</p>
<b>10</b>	<b>Practice Days</b>	
<b>I</b>		
<b>D</b>	<p>This was discussed and it was stated that there may be a chance for smaller clubs to make some money by running an "open pit" practice day. SMCA could offer officials for the day.</p>	
<b>A</b>	<p>Ian to look at the Dutch and Belgian models for youth sidecarcross.</p>	<p>IAN COOPER</p>



<b>11</b>	<b>SMCA Trophies</b>
<b>I</b>	Those to be decided Best Driver, Best Passenger Best Newcomer Driver Best Newcomer Passenger Service to Sidecar Motocross British Championship Driver, Passenger Clubman's Championship Driver, Passenger Most Improved – new trophy presented by Ian Cooper Ian to issue a spread sheet for voting.
<b>D</b>	There was a discussion about replicas and it was decided to issue medals for the first 3 places in the British Championship and the Newcomers, Cups for the first 3 places in the Clubman's and the Services to sidecar cross.
<b>A</b>	
<b>12</b>	<b>Dinner Dance</b>
<b>I</b>	Nicky Maguire has sold 200 tickets. She needed about 10 good raffle prizes (no bottles) There was a suggestion that the 3 girls who have been MAXXIS Girls at the British Championships should be given a thank you.
<b>D</b>	
<b>A</b>	
<b>13</b>	<b>AGM</b>
<b>I</b>	Ian will issue an AGM announcement and send it to Pam for a mailshot. Ian is rewriting the rules of the SMCA to reflect the proposed increase in the size of the committee.
<b>D</b>	There was a discussion on who was willing to stand for re-election.
<b>A</b>	Ian will e mail round the amended rules when complete.

**Previous Meeting Minutes (Dated):**

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**There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.10.pm**