

SIDECAR MOTOCROSS ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN

COMMITTEE MEETING 1 MARCH 2008

HELD AT

THE LAMB, THEALE, BERKSHIRE

Present: Les & Sue Batten Sue Tye Pam Humphrey
Eric Maguire Rob Batten Paul Pelling
Sue Kemp Greg Wernham Martin Guilford
Gary Moore

Apologies: Steve Tye, Roy Humphrey, Eddie Herd, Chris Helm,
Garry Patey & Steve Geraghty

Start 2.10

Finish: 4.15

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** – read and agreed.
2. **Matters Arising**
 - Accounts for bulletin did not get through to Pam Humphrey via email. Sue Tye will resend.
 - The race times for the British Championship should read 20 and not 15 mins
3. **Chairman's Report**
 - Nothing to report.
4. **Secretary's Report**
 - Sue reported that paperwork is still coming through from the ACU.
5. **Press Officer's Report**

Chris Helm was not at the meeting but had asked if everyone could check the fixture list on the euromotorsport website and let him know of any errors or omissions. (PM note, final list is now on website)
6. **Bulletin Editor's Report**
 - Pam said she has not received any copy as of yet for the Bulletin. Deadline is end of March.
7. **Treasurer's Report**
 - Current account: £1,379.45
 - Savings account: £1,481.24

£50 from each registration fee is to be sent back to the SMCA. Sonia is sorting this out.
8. **Membership Secretary's Report**

Garry was not at the meeting, but sent message to say he will email through the current membership list.

9. **Dinner and Dance – 2008**

Mark Millard was not present therefore the subject was deferred until the next meeting although prices for the tickets were discussed – it was suggested £35 for members and £40 for non-members

The committee were asked to start thinking about a Guest Speaker for the Dinner and Dance.

Mark has provisionally booked 22 November 2008 for the Dinner and Dance at the Village Hotel. The room prices quoted were: £80 per night if you stay two nights or £85 if you stay one night. Martin was asked to let Mark know to confirm the booking to the hotel. To be discussed at length at the next meeting. Sue Tye will send Mark cheque for deposit as soon as he informs how much etc.

10. **Any Other Business**

British Championship 2008

- Martin and Robert are contacting the eight clubs running rounds of the British Championship regarding the 100 club. Martin and Robert will contact four each. Martin has spoken to his four – Robert still to contact his.
- Photos from Chris Helm for the programme covers have been sent to Lucy. All the organising clubs are keen to have the covers and have asked for 500.
- The front cover to have printed on it: Official Programme and For Conditions of Admission see inside. It should also have in the programme that it is an ACU/Sidecar Association Event. A list of “100 Club” donators to be printed on the programme cover.
- There was a lot of discussion re: permit cost. The ACU have agreed that the permit fee will now be £45 instead of the original £150, but the British Championship will remain as a National Status event. (PM note, this was later confirmed to have been set at £50)
- Les to email Roy Barton to confirm that the permit cost is £45 so the SMCA can let all organisers know.
- The closure of the Parc Ferme was discussed and it was agreed that once the first team are called to the line by the starter the gate will be closed and any crews not in the box will be replaced by the reserves in order.
- Emily Blackman will do the 15sec/5sec board.
- The banner/backdrop to be transported by Sue and Steve Geraghty.

“100 Club”

The “100 Club” has raised approximately £3,000 (this does not include the £200 that Martin said he had received over the last week or so). All organising clubs have been informed that they will receive £400 towards their meeting.

SMCA Event

After a lot of discussion it was agreed that the SMCA will not run an event in 2008. There are a lot of meetings this season with Championship, Clubmans, UMX and a few centre meetings which leaves very few weekends available.

Training Day

Rather than a meeting it has been suggested the SMCA organise a training day. Greg suggested it should be before the season gets under way, perhaps February. Les to

contact Roy Barton re: certified trainers. To be put on the Agenda for the meeting in September/October.

Clubmans

The Clubmans series looks like having only four rounds in 2008:

16 March – Binstead;

30 March – Arcott Nora Quads

25 (or 26) May – Frome

20 July – Rusper.

Les said he is willing to try and organise a Skittles Evening at The Lamb as a social event. Probably better on a Friday or Saturday evening.

Date of next meeting: 10 May 2008 at The Lamb, Theale.