



ASSOCIATION OF WEST MIDLANDS MOTOR CLUBS

MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD ON Tuesday 18th May 2021 VIA ZOOM ONLINE

Present:

Kevin Witton (Chair) John Arnold (Secretary)
John Jones (Vice Chair)

Delegates from the following clubs:

Rugby Midland Auto Club BRMC Forest Radio
Ludlow Castle Midland Manor
Owen BTRDA Quinton Motor Club
Herefordshire Car Club Bath M C W & SSCC
Potteries and Newcastle Sixty and Worcester CC

1. Apologies

Ian Jarrett (Training Officer) Hagley and District LCC

2. Minutes

Proposed by: Dave Nursey Seconded by: Jim Male

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Correspondence

Various Press and Media from Motorsport UK
Various Bulletins from Motorsport UK
Minutes from Other Associations
Committee Minutes from Motorsport UK
A note from Whitney Car Club about whether they are still part of the association.

Mike Board asked whether the Association received all the minutes from the Motorsport UK Minutes.

Email from Rob Bateman about being sacked by Motorsport UK as RLO for Staffordshire but Motorsport UK was looking to replace him.

5. New Clubs / Official Changes / Date Changes

No new clubs

A number of date changes as per website calendar amendments.

A request from the Chair to ask that clubs update their information as and when needed.



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6. Championship Reports

6.1 Autotest

No Co-ordinator a present

6.2 Road Rally

No Co-ordinator a present

6.3 Stage Rally (Heart of England)

Matt Walk has taken over the role from Martin White and is doing a good job with a number of competitors registering. First event will be Down Ampney at the end of May 2021. John Jones reported that there are 15 or 16 registered crew. Matt tried to block book entries for HOE competitors but John Arnold advised this is a non-starter.

6.4 Car Trial

The Chair received the first set of the results for this year's championship and believed there 9 or 10 people registered. Steve advises he would not be continuing the role after 2021.

7. Training Officer's Report

No training officer report.

John Jones was asked to report on what BRMC in collaboration with AWMMC had been doing in the last few months. He advises that there had been a number of online training events which numbered about 4 or 5 and these were targeted at people who had responded to a post on Facebook through the BRMC page. There is money still available as the budget has not been used for face 2 face training. There is enough scope to move forward with this.

John Arnold brought up training for electric vehicles and asked Sue to bring it up with John Ryan. Sue stated that the responsibility rests with the competitors who bring the vehicles and Motorsport UK are working on it. There was quite a long discussion about electric Vehicles which was more general about practical handling of electric vehicles.

8. Motorsport UK Representative (John Ryan)

Unfortunately, John was unable to attend due to issues at home. Therefore Sue Sanders said she would take questions back to John Ryan.

Update on Covid was taken from the marshals and club bulletins as there has been no updates since these were created.

The Chair raised the question with regard to non-contact timing and its application on multi-venue stage rallies with the large amount of equipment that is needed and also the mobile poor signal. John Cordery added the fact that it is difficult to work the previous car number system. He further added



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that arrival controls sometimes were asked to issue bulletins or information to competitors and this was difficult on multi-venues. Mike Broad added that events had already sorted budgets and entry fees and we are now adding more complexity. A discussion continued for some time about process and how things may change in future.

Dave Nursey ask Sue about EV training and if it was GDPR compliant to have a copy of the list of marshals who had completed the training. Sue could not see an issue to this but she stated that she was no GDPR expert.

Sue advised that the Learning Hub is being brought up to the latest version and therefore, any IT issues will be resolved.

The discussion about Electric Vehicle continued in this section of the minutes.

Mike Broad asked about the current position for tracking and advised that the FIA had employed a consultant to write a paper that may be out by the end of the year. Sue advised that the tracking project had been interrupted and approval from the FIA that as soon as rallying could start again then tracking project could start again. Iain Campbell is ensuring that the events are in the system to the 50% of the cost of tracking and the events have been identified and at the end of the coverage of the tracking information.

9. Regional Committee & Rallies Committee

John Arnold in club news there was a requirement to create a list of event stewards and John said that there is also a requirement for a list of Secretaries of the Meeting.

Regional Committee chair also thanked Ian Davis for his contribution during his time with Motorsport UK.

Sue shared a slide presentation for the “Regional Associations – A framework for the future” which was based on a great deal of work. An open discussion ensued for a while around this presentation.

The discussion turned to what primary association should a club be associated with and how the associations should be run.

A further discussion was conducted about a country wide calendar so that clubs can see which dates are being used, this being separate from the Motorsport UK Calendar for permitted events.

Rally committee including covid updates, regulation changes, a new road rally working group and also an Engine Eligibility working group.



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10. Treasurer's Report

£17100 main account and £100 in the cheque account, £300 paid to Lara

11. Yearbook

The yearbook will no longer be printed and will have all the information online. This is sad after 35 years, but we have no-one to take it forward.

12. Any Other Business

Question from Mercian Road Rally about how they would go about PR for their event Sue Sanders said she would ask the question of John Ryan. There were a number of comments from the delegates that events had been doing PR and there seems to be no issues.

Dave Nursey advised as part of a conversation about rally events that were oversubscribed that Hill Climb were exactly the same.

Dave Nursey asked about inter-association events and John Arnold said he would come back to him after the regional committee meeting.

The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 17 August 2021
The meeting will start at 7:30pm and be held at Bromsgrove Golf and Conference
Centre. B60 1LD