

## MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD AT BROMSGROVE GOLF CENTRE On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### Present:

Kevin Witton (Chair) David Simons (Minutes Secretary)

John Arnold (Secretary)

## **Delegates from the following clubs:**

Loughborough CC, Rugby MC, WSSCC, BTRDA, MAC, Owen MC, Hagley & District LCC, LCMC

#### 1. Apologies

John Jones, Mike Broad, Steve Courts, Jon Cordery, Cyril Loman, Sue Underwood & Herefordshire CC, Club Rally Sport West, Stockport 061 Motor Club, Bath MC, Ian Jarrett, David Nursey, Ross & District MC

### 2. Minutes of the Meeting on 17 August 2021

Proposed: Bill Pardoe Seconded: Phil Darbyshire

#### 3. Matters Arising

(None)

#### 4. Correspondence

Notice that Coventry & Warwickshire MC is closing down. Committee minutes and bulletins from Motorsport UK and other Associations

#### 5. New Clubs / Official Changes / Date Changes

No new members. Kevin W has sent out an e-mail covering club/officials changes and confirmed to the meeting that date changes for events will be reported on line and regularly updated.

#### 6. Championship Reports

#### 6.1 Stage Rally (Heart of England Championship)

Venues for next year are still being arranged and there are two events left to run in the current championship at Dukeries and Abingdon. Lucy Wigley and Emma Cooper are leading after three rounds.

#### 6.2 Car Trial

This championship is concluded, with the RWD class winner Dick Tompkins (Hillman Imp) and FWD winner Gary Preston (Fiat). A hand-over of the running of this championship to Mark Hoppe is in progress.

#### 7. Training Officer's Report

Ian Jarrett was not present, but Kevin W reported that Fire Training was successfully completed for 38 attendees at Shelsley Walsh on 23<sup>rd</sup> October



2021. John Jones had reported that BRMC is seeking funding for further training courses next year, with an intention to organize 5 face-to-face sessions at various venues. Ian Jarrett and Mike Wilding will be delivering training in the New Year.

A donation will be made to St Andrew's Church, Shelsley Walsh in appreciation of the assistance with training from MAC.

Ian Jarrett remains the main contact for training; contact Ian, John Jones or Kevin W.

# 8. Motorsport UK Regional Committee & Rallies Committee Reports

### **Regional:**

John A reported that attempts were being made to make more use of MOD venues, including RAF bases at Wittering and Cosford for speed events.

Peter Weall has resigned as Chair of the Regional Committee, which now needs a replacement.

The Committee heard a report from the Chief Executive on karting championships now run by Motorsport UK and a planned involvement in the Safari Rally. Scrutineering will be reverting to "normal" next year and full scrutineering is an option for remaining events this year. The Training team is intending to update the training manual for Regional Associations and Clubs.

#### Rallies:

Kevin W reported on the recent meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021:

- It was agreed that a written specification for a tracking system would be prepared;
- Rally car legality checking had revealed no issues;
- Training and a theory test for Co-Drivers, plus CPM Training was under development as an incomplete draft;
- Marshals online training was making good progress, with 681 completions and 300 first time registrations;
- Master Agreements with forestry authorities were in place for Wales and Scotland and a new document was being prepared for England;
- Proposals for limits on tyre usage and Management Cars were discussed
- Some regulation changes had been approved for inclusion in the 2022 Yearbook;
- Iain Tullie is working on a roadmap for the future of Rallying and work is also in progress on RallyFuture, safety requirements and environmental sustainability;
- The "Race n' Respect" campaign is being re-branded as "Race with Respect" as part of a new initiative requiring licence holders to be bound by the code for all disciplines of motorsport.



# 9. Treasurer's Report

Invoices have been sent out for renewals and to date, approx. 20 clubs have paid by bank transfer and there are currently three cheques to be banked.

There is  $\pounds 17,793.07$  in the business account and  $\pounds 170.00$  in the cheque account at present.

From renewals, it is apparent that the Lotus 7 Club has changed its name to Caterham and Lotus 7 Club, the Sunbeam Lotus Owners Club has re-joined and the Staffs & Shrops Land Rover Club is changing to Staffs & Shrops 4X4 Club.

Payments are due to be made in respect of the recent fire training at Shelsley Walsh and the Heart of England championship.

#### **10. Any Other Business**

It was mentioned that Telford Auto Club are running road rallies, which seem popular and there was a discussion on the general problems with road rallies including route liaison and noise.

There was discussion on the format of signing-on for events and related documentation going forward.

Richard Egger, who is a member of the Disability Access Sub-Committee talked through some of the issues facing the disabled at events including toilets, access to catering and parking.

The next meeting will be the AGM and general meeting will be on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

The meeting will be held at Bromsgrove Golf and Conference Centre B60 1LD