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4 rounds have been completed (with one cancellation). The next round is on 11th September 2022.

An Inter-Association trial was held at Bala on 7th & 8th August, won by Mark Hoppe, Ian Nute and Trevor Moffat for AWMMC.

6.3 Autotest

The winners of the Autotest on 1st July 2022 were David Fox, Alastair Moffat and Chris Atkins. Entry fees to be refunded.

7. Claire Kirkpatrick, Head of Club & Community Development, Motorsport UK

Claire K emphasised the importance of the StreetCar initiative, launched in June 2022. She introduced her team as:

- Jenny Tcherniak (Girls on Track UK Programme Manager)
- Ben Lancaster (Community Activation Manager)
- Sofia Macbeth (Volunteer Development Officer)

The team is heavily involved in the StreetCar initiative at present, Sofia is dealing with club support and will answer enquiries from clubs regarding participation in StreetCar.

The disciplines involved include Autotest, AutoSOLO and Production Car Autotest, Trials and untimed Cross Country events, plus Rally; including Touring Assemblies, Treasure Hunts, Navigational Scatter, Navigational Rally, Road and Historic Rally, 12 Car Rally and Targa Rally.

StreetCar has its own website and the team is looking for clubs to run events in the disciplines listed. 29 clubs have signed-up to StreetCar so far, the target number is 50. There will be a logo for StreetCar to be incorporated with club logos, a Facebook Group was also started in June 2022. A meetings programme is under development to allow development on a regional basis; Mid Derbyshire and Loughborough have signed up already. It is anticipated that the website will be developed to include a calendar of events; the email address will be: streetcar@motorsportuk.org.

Mike Broad suggested that StreetCar involvement could start with Taster events and Claire K said that more Taster events are now permitted to facilitate this.

Clare concluded her talk by reminding those present that Club and Volunteer award nominations need to be submitted soon. She is also organising a Team of the Year award; nominations to be submitted by end-October 2022.



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8. Training Officer's Report

BRMC on-line & zoom training has been completed for the first half of the year, the remainder is under review as a result of the new Marshals Pathway. Training grant forms are to be processed and venues need to be arranged for face-to-face training; on-line training will resume in September 2022.

It was emphasised that certification of completion of training modules cannot be given unless questionnaires and feedback forms have been completed and submitted.

More fire training is needed and it is hoped that this can be arranged with MAC soon.

It is now a requirement that Examining marshals in all disciplines complete online training modules annually.

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

9. Motorsport UK Regional Committee & Rallies Committee Reports

Regional:

From the meeting on 16th June 2022, Amy McLeod, Head of Safeguarding is conducting a review of different approaches used regionally.

As the Judicial Procedures have been revised on this point – the involvement of Safeguarding Officers in judicial hearings needs to be clarified. Mike Broad suggested that there was still some scope for confusion.

Simon Fowler is looking to appoint Ministry of Defence liaison officers regionally, for events on MoD land

Rallies Committee:

Kevin W covered the following items from the (incomplete) meeting on 12th July 2022:

- Tracking: Ian Tullie reported on progress and confirmed that a final proposal would be circulated prior to the meeting on 25th August 2022.
- Co-Driver Training: This will be finalised in consultation with Sue Sanders.
- Escort Tunnels: Michael Duncan confirmed that the financial aspects of re-logbooking incorrectly classified vehicles were being considered together with an audit of the incorrect classifications to identify any training needs for Scrutineers.
- Variations to Road Rally Penalties: Tests had been carried out on different penalty systems and there was a suggestion that different penalties could apply to different classes. This will be removed from the Agenda until further progress has been made.
- Seat mountings: The Technical Committee is now looking at modifications of existing mounts, instead of mandating replacements. The Working Group intend to produce a 'best practice' document.
- Single Venue Tyre Limitations: There was additional discussion on this resulting in a commitment from John Ryan and Michael Duncan to liaise with tyre manufacturers to identify any shortages. The Committee felt that there should not be a separate case for single venue tyres.
- Competition Car Numbering: Transferred to Rally Championship Steering Group.



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- Noise Impact: Regulation E16.3 has been approved for inclusion in the Yearbook and the use of ear defenders will be publicised in Motorsport UK's bulletins and newsletters.
- Regulation Ratified by Motorsport UK Board: New Regulation 1.1.11 regarding relaxation or exemption from current requirements.
- Road Rally Tyres: A Regulation change has been proposed removing reference to FIA Asphalt Tyres and permitting the use of tyres on List 1B for introduction in 2023.
- Targa Road Rallies: A Working Group has been set up to discuss the future of these events led by Ian Tullie.
- Stage Rally Engine Eligibility Working Group: There had been no meetings of the Working Group, but the topic remains on the Agenda.
- Reform of the Yearbook: This work was yet to commence as at the time of the meeting.
- RallyFuture: Some events had received poor Safety Delegate Reports and Kevin W also noted that the numbering of Safety Cars needed to be standardised to assist results services and tracking.
- Review of R26.6.1 and R26.6.2: A proposal will be made to remove R26.6.1, to avoid issues with 30 seconds starts.
- Bogey Times on Multi Venue Stage Rallies: Bogey times had been beaten on recent Stage Rallies and there was concern at the increase in average stage times.
- Merge Regulations: A new Regulation is being proposed for Single Venue Stage Rallies as regards the priority of competing vehicles approaching merges.
- Officials Recruitment Retention & Recognition: A presentation was made by Sue Sanders inclusive of information on the new Marshals Pathway. The grading of Rally Clerks was also discussed.

Mike Broad mentioned the status of Safety Delegates and a need for clarification.

10. Treasurer's Report

Kevin W reported that there is £17,695.00 in the business account and £100.00 in the cheque account at present.

11. Any Other Business

David S referred to a recent event at Silverstone, running under an International Permit, where a competitor, seeking to challenge a Clerk's penalty, failed to submit an Appeal in the format required under Regulation C6.2.

Following rejection of the Appeal by the Stewards, the competitor then relied upon the Review procedure under C14 to return to the Clerk of the Course with "new" video evidence not available at his original hearing.

As many Appeals under the previous regime involved the submission of evidence not made available at the original Clerk of Course's hearing, there is a risk that Competitors may manipulate the current procedures to avoid risking an Appeal fee.



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David S suggested Regulation C14 should be reviewed to link with the existing procedure for Appeals and Mike Broad suggested that consideration should also be given to the introduction of an appropriate fee for competitors seeking a Review.

The next general meeting will be at 7.30 pm on 15th November 2022

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