

SACU Quarterly Activity Report July – September 2021

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We got there in the end; Scottish Government guidance has allowed spectators back to events over the past weeks and it's great to be back! The development team have been making use of this by getting out to numerous events and have even captured some footage for our brand-new promotional videos and forthcoming level 1 assistant coaching courses. So, if you see them out and about make sure you say hi!

Promoting Motorcycle Sport

The SACU teamed up with <u>Steadyhand Productions</u> to create a number of promotional videos explaining the disciplines we offer and how to get involved. We're also looking into creating additional videos on alternative routes into motorcycle sport such as volunteering, so watch this space. You can view the promotional videos <u>here</u>. We've also produced a fresh-looking marque and roller banners so that we can stand out at events, keep an eye out for it popping up at an event near you! You can get a sneak peak of the marquees maiden voyage from the Kames Car Show, back in august <u>here</u> (we didn't have the new roller posters back then). The SACU's much anticipated Official Podcast – Turf n Tarmac – launched on August 9th with the premier episode featuring Scottish and British sidecar champion Steve Kershaw. All episodes are free to stream via <u>YouTube</u> and <u>Spotify</u>. The team are looking to invite guests onto the podcast for season 2, so whether you want to make an appearance yourself, or you would like to nominate your biggest inspiration, coach, volunteer, or whoever else it may be, we would love to hear from you! Please contact podcast@sacu.co.uk

New Clubs

The last quarter saw 2 newly affiliated clubs offering a variety of motorcycle activities throughout Scotland. In July we welcomed <u>Caithness Motocross Club</u> back into the SACU offering additional motocross activities for riders in the North. We would also like to welcome newly formed club <u>BIC Rallye</u> to the union; the club will deliver Enduro / Hare & Hounds events as well as look to deliver a new sub discipline of Motorbike Rally in Scotland. We have also received an additional affiliation request from a newly formed club, this is yet to be reviewed by the board of directors and will be raised at the next meeting. Thank you to all of the staff, volunteers and riders who are pivotal to the continued growth of the SACU.

Training and Education

The development team have recently completed the PDA Sports Educator Training provided by **sport**scotland; the course provides our staff with vital skills to deliver high quality educational workshops to aid the development of the volunteer workforce that keeps our sport going. Staff are also undergoing an additional PDA in the Assessment Process to prepare them to assess the candidates in our forthcoming SQA accredited assistant coaching course, which is being piloted at the end of 2021. The SACU also intend to create a workforce to aid the delivery and assessment of future coaching courses.



Extraordinary General Meeting

The SACU held an EGM on Saturday 4th September to bring forward a vote of 'No Confidence' in the current Chairperson, Sandy Mack, and discuss a number of questions proposed by Inverness & District MC, Bon Accord and Kirkcaldy & District MC. Of the 3 proposing clubs, 1 attended on the day alongside 12 other SACU clubs. The meeting was managed by independent chairperson, Gary Thompson (ACU), and after an in depth discussion of all of the questions raised, the vote was carried out. The votes were independently audited by Mick Wren (ACU) and ruled as Constitutionally legal by Harper McLeod LLP. The results were:

Motion: Vote of no confidence in the SACU Chair

For = 23

Against = 82

Abstain = 9

Gary Thompson declared that Sandy Mack will continue as Chairperson of the SACU.

The minutes of the meeting were collated independently by the <u>Scottish Sports Association</u> and have been circulated to Club Secretaries via email. A redacted set can be publicly viewed on the website.

Annual General Meeting 2022

The SACU AGM will be held on Sunday 27th February at the Army Reserve Centre in Livingston all being well and if Government guidance permits. The SACU Office will shortly be contacting all Club Secretaries to arrange the payment of membership fees to determine voting rights in advance of this. Club membership fees are due on 31st October 2021 as per Section 7 of the Rules and Regulations of the Constitution and must be paid in full by no later than the 30th November 2021 (Section 9). Specific information regarding the management of the AGM will be communicated directly to all Club Secretaries in due course.