



Present: Sandy Mack (Chair) Gordon Dingwall (Vice Chair) Caroline Thomson (Vice President) Jimmy Shanks (Road Race Chair) Douglas Paton (Trials Chair) Jim Mair (Enduro Chair)
 In Attendance: Neil Park (Interim COO)

Apologies: Kirstin Pennycook (Vice President) Andrew Wood (Quads Chair) Stewart Campbell (Motocross Chair) Mairi Mitchell (Minutes) and Kevin Ferguson (**sportscotland**)

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Present and apologies as above.
 The Board agreed to the meeting being recorded.

2. MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 29 MAY 2024

S Mack reported that there had been little progress on the ACU “Way Forward” Working Group. He would be attending a future EGM to split Trials and Enduro Committees, in line with the SACU and also a **sportscotland** Chair’s meeting which he would report back on at the next meeting. There being no further matters arising, the Board approved the minutes.

3. PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS

N Park spoke to the paper previously circulated detailing the progress against long term and long-term targets as agreed with **sportscotland**. The Board noted the contents of the paper and the progress made.

S Mack advised the board of the proposal for re-allocation of **sportscotland** funding from staffing to programme to support increased support to clubs (to include the STEM programme). The Board approved the proposal and it was remitted to S Mack and N Park to confirm the proposal to **sportscotland** at the Strategic Review taking scheduled for 2 October 2024.

It was also agreed that a review of staffing roles should be conducted to ensure that these were aligned to the strategic objectives set out in the plan to 2031 and to include greater interaction with clubs and disciplines to better use social and related media to increase engagement and promotion of events.

4. DISCIPLINE UPDATES

J Shanks provided a brief verbal update of **Road Race** including the success of the programme during 2024 which had gone well, however noted that entries were in decline (down 9%) on previous year’s levels.

- Knockhill wanted to run same number of events in 2025 but would likely would not include their celebration event as this year
- Good entry for final round at East Fortune this weekend

- Started drug and alcohol testing programme, testing 18 competitors with no fails to report
- Working on next year's rules and bring them up to date to overcome any ambiguities, including for Formula Supersport and Lightweight class with cup level for older machines
- Arrangements for the Celtic Cup races being progressed
- Lewis Rollo won Pathway Championship

J Shanks also gave an update on **Minimoto** and advised that John O'Donnell was doing track inspections following his co-option to the RR Committee.

- Knockhill provided support with a stand at the Bike Show and Hire and Ride session (60 riders took part)
- Knockhill also bought 3 bikes and providing training nights and access to track time
- Working up a coaching programme for 2025

S Mack provided an update on **Motocross** which had gone well with 6 rounds and had Red Bull on as a sponsor for last 2 events. Gates are full and all being run well by Jonny Hamilton. He also advised that he would be taking on a lead role with the British Army Motocross.

S Mack updated also on **Quads**. British championships went well at Duns.

D Paton provided an update on **Trials**, with 3 Premier Rounds completed, with 2 remaining rounds at St Andrews and Lochaber.

- Numbers down a little on 2023, possibly down to clashed with events
- Championships close across all categories
- Good success at British Championships, where Jamie Galloway finished 1st and Duncan McColl 2nd
- Euan Sim currently 2nd in Youth "A" class, Archie Bremner 2nd in Youth "B" class and Billy Mair 3rd in Class "C"
- Euan Sim also doing well in World Rounds but up against strong competition
- No accidents reported to date this season

J Mair provided an update on **Enduro** where Timecard season had been completed at the weekend.

- Hare and Hounds went well at Wooler
- One event at Tain to go in 2024
- Two national events planned for Sprints
- Entries in line with 2023 numbers, with 8 / 10 U18s
- Possibility of an Extreme Sprint in 2025
- Possible British round (inc. Scottish round) at Lossiemouth at easter in 2025
- Looking at Committee membership in next few weeks

No update from **Supermoto**.

Reminder from S Mack for Committees to look at dates for 2025 in planning the calendar as quicker agreed quicker can advertise. Awards evenings planned and offered his venue for Trials and Enduro. Trials may bring theirs into December (14th?) rather than January.

5. AGM

The SACU AGM would be held on-line and in person on Sunday 23 February 2025.

The first club bulletin would be issued to clubs and members on 30 October 2024, with details of applying for licences and permissions together with Board and Committee vacancies.

6. DONM

Wednesday 4 December 2024 at 19:00 on-line.

Meeting closed: 20.00 Hrs