

Minutes of SACU Enduro Committee Thursday 18th February 2016



North Queensferry Hotel 7:00 pm

Present A. Cameron, C. Thomson, C. Mackenzie K Gauld, J Little (Invited attendee)
K Donaldson, A Flockhart, P Smart, J Ballantyne.

Apologies no apologies

Previous minutes /matters arising

Previous minutes issued and matters arising, primarily aspects of timing were discussed.

Timing.

To clarify a misunderstanding EEC had not agreed to use their timing equipment at Selkirk. The said EEC equipment was not purchased as there was a perceived problem with its utilization. At the Hare and Hound event run by EEC the current BAMCC timing equipment was used. This ran well until someone unwittingly moved the laptop causing the system to malfunction, a back up system was used to complete the results.

In depth discussion of the pros and cons of transponder systems took place and it was decided that the BAMCC system would be used for the next EEC enduro at Lossie. Further investigation of current available systems, would be carried by **EEC and CT**

To upgrade software on current SACU breakbeam system would cost £500.

To hire commercial timing setup such as used in BEC round would cost £3000, this would be prohibitive for some events.

Backup to transponder systems could be double video cameras, with frame time, date stamp, no costings were given for this system.

BAMCC are to be asked if their system could be used for the Path Head enduro, otherwise timing would revert to the SACU system until any new system is organized and trialed. **P**

SMART CMack to action.

ISDE TEAM SELECTION AND TEAM MANAGER

It was noted that Sam Davidson will not be team manager for 2016, ISDE in Spain.

It was agreed that the position of Scottish ISDE Team Manager would be publicised **CMack** agreed to put the position on the web site.

Failing a suitable candidate coming forward **CT** will act as interim admin, aided by **JBallantyne. CMack** will deal with ACU communications and inform **CT**.

K Gauld will take on assistant to team manager whilst in Spain.

Criteria for choosing the Scottish team. **CMack** to publicise.

Rider will need to have ridden at Championship or expert level for ~3 years and are expected to compete in Scotland. They are expected to be primarily self funded and be able to present a bike in suitable condition to be used in such an event.

Discussion as to who would make a good team manager, came up with suggestions of R Hay and D Little, R Hay is to be asked by **CT**

CMack through the SACU Office has already paid £1000 deposit and £554 25% rider licences to ACU.

It was noted that last years team presented well with bike/helmet graphic and team clothing.

Event permits and officials

The office will not issue a permit for an event until there are 4 named officials (CofC, secretary, Chief marshal and timing) and in the case of forestry land events the added safety officer and event director.

Stewards for events were discussed and organized

Event dates/designation and stewards to be made available by **CMack Office**.

The committee was asked if a non committee member could steward an event.

Enduro Championship Awards

This will take place in Yarrowford Village hall on the evening of the Melville Yarrowford event.

K Donaldson to speak with Hall Convenor

AC to get funding for a buffet.

CMack could provide SACU materials and photos for the walls.

Members to approach companies for prizes for raffles , this to be in aid of the ISDE fund.

Also “games” to raise money for fund to be organized. Such as timed trials bike balance, tyre, mousse changing.

Consistency of time allowances

Discussion regarding a point raised by riders that there are marked differences in the in time allowances for different classes, more so between sportsman and clubman B.

Youth Support in Hare and Hound

After discussions with insurers there will be an addendum added to the current hare and hound standing regs to allow youths to ride in a support event prior to the adults.

SACU Briefing Note

Subject : Youth Hare and Hounds
Date : 4th Feb 2016
Compiled by : Charles Mackenzie

For 2016 SACU clubs are adding a Junior Support Class to Hare and Hound events.

To ensure the correct running of events and entries the ACU Youth Hare and Hound regs are used as the basis for the events.

Due to the limited number of riders expected at events riders from 8 – 15 are allowed to enter.

This is subject to each rider being risk assessed for ability to ride in the event.

A Young rider must be able to sit on the bike and operate the levers and foot pedals competently.

The youth rider must be able to pick the bike up from a horizontal position to an upright position.

A 15 year old rider must be risk assessed to ensure they are of a suitable standard to compete in the youth race – ie are not of sufficient skill to be able to compete as an adult in the adult race.

The rider will be allowed to compete in the youth race if they would be at risk in the adult class.

The insurers (Towergate – 4/2/16) have confirmed that riders can compete in the youth class as long as they have been risk assessed for suitability to ride in that class.

Riders at 15 who are deemed too experienced will be entered for the adult class if they wish.

Forestry Safety Officer and Event Director,

AC and CT attended a seminar in Rugby to be trained as trainers for these two positions. The requirement to have these positions filled starts in the calendar year 2016 although the FC are still training their officers at present.

AC is willing to liaise with EEC and be the named official for the upcoming Lossie event. Seminars will have to be organized for clubs that are going to be using FC land.

At close of meeting AC asked for a vote of thanks to be given to CMacK for all his tireless work over the time that he has been a member and chairman of the Enduro Committee.