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**SUMMARY Minutes of Directors Meeting on Tuesday 12th January 2016
Redford Barracks, Colinton, Edinburgh at 7.00pm**

Present Chair A Mack A McNaughton, A Cameron, I Barnes, W Annandale, S Campbell,
D Young, W MacGregor, D Paton, R Bryant, C Mackenzie

Conf. Phone: Not available

	Action
<p>1. Apologies Tam Weir</p>	
<p>2. Declaration of interest . None noted. The Board had a brief discussion on possible conflicts and what needs to be declared.</p>	
<p>3. Minutes of previous meeting Nov 10th 2015 Proposed Bill Annandale Sec Donald Young Summary Minutes Approved Prop Bill Annandale Sec Donald Young</p>	<p>Action . Circulate minutes to clubs and post on website</p>
<p>4. Matters arising</p> <p>a. Policies D Young is in the process of reviewing final policy wording. Policies will require to be ratified by the SACU Board. A guidance note on Child Protection to be circulated. Short wording to be produced for adding to supplementary regs.</p> <p>b. Response to ACU Nothing further to be added to ACU enquiries. A Mack responded fully</p>	<p>Action D Young to provide wording to office for adding to regs.</p>
<p>5. Financial Report</p> <p>a. Treasurers Report A McNaughton produced a breakdown of the income and costs for 2015. A budget for 2016 was also circulated. Anticipated changes to costs were highlighted. Increase in PA licence costs, no NI contribution from Govt expected in 2016 (£2000). Insurance tax has increased to 9.5% from 6.0%. A note on insurance increased layer cost to £30m was presented. This equates to approx. £1 per ride over the year. Increased costs may be recovered using KPI's . Eg by disciplines increasing rider numbers and increased participation. Disciplines are to be encouraged to increase revenue. £30m excess layer cost – this increases the insurance cover for all events. There was a discussion on the requirement for the excess cover versus the additional cost. The current industry standard is £30m. S Campbell noted that the extra cover will help to attract major events to Scotland. There may never be a claim for £30m but it is seen as a requirement to allow the sport to take part. Proposal – SACU cover lifted to £30m at a cost of £6500 but at no cost to the membership. Prop A Mack Sec A Cameron 6 For 1 against. The proposal was carried.</p>	<p>Action. A Mack to confirm £30M excess layer cost to insurer.</p>
<p>6. Concussion</p>	<p>Action D Young to confirm</p>

<p>D Young is reviewing other sports as well to ensure correct that the guidance is issued. A briefing note was circulated to Directors. It was agreed the note was to be passed to clubs as a single issue Bulletin for inclusion in event entry forms.</p>	<p>guidance to clubs Action Office to issue Bulletin</p>
<p>7. Office Managers Monthly report. Report noted. Insurance submission forms were agreed for issuing Rules and Regs . Trials. The financial costs of stewarding events were presented. The recommendation was that the minimum number of riders for a National Trial is 70. This amends the last trials meeting minutes level of 60. Proposal National Trials to have entries of 70 and above. Prop I B Sec A M Agreed.</p>	<p>Action. A Mack to produce guidance note for office on trials events status.</p>
<p>8. SACU Personal Membership. This was reviewed but a decision not to implement was taken. No benefit was seen from the proposal</p>	
<p>9. SMS – R Bryant updated the Directors on the progress of the bid to Sportscotland.</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>10. Scottish Bike Show. Costs for the show were presented by A McNaughton. An update on arrangements was discussed. The list of likely bikes for the stand was reviewed. Video material is sought for the stand for use over the weekend. Insurance costs for the event are to to be discussed with the insurer. A practice permit has been issued for the event. Promotion costs recovered are to be noted in SACU accounts. W McGregor offered to produce a calendar of events.</p>	<p>Action Contact insurer for event costs</p>
<p>11. AOCB <i>Helmet mounted cameras.</i> The ACU has banned the use of helmet mounted cameras in Enduro in the 2016 handbook . The safety aspects of helmet mounted cameras were discussed. The board was unanimous in following the ACU regs on a ban on helmet or body mounted cameras. The helmet is designed primarily for safety . A unanimous decision. <i>KDMC are seeking reduction in the OEL</i> cost for the Beach race. Due to reduced time available for racing to fit in with tides. Approved. <i>Patron.</i> MSP David Torrance – Kirkaldy . He is responsible for off road motor cycle issues. Finance is available to provide facilities . A Mack to produce a business plan for an off road area to be funded. <i>Secretaries certification</i> The Directors require Secretaries of events to be certified. This confirms the current practice. <i>MX Licence cost.</i> MX Events for 2016 – S Campbell updated the meeting. Several non SACU clubs were looking at running SACU events. They are now reluctant. The main barrier to running events is manpower. Marshals , lap scorers etc It was agreed that a £10 SACU MX Championship licence is to be issued. The rider must send in a copy of their existing current MCF, AMCA etc licence along with the licence application form. <i>East Lothian Costs</i> D Paton informed the Board that East Lothian is seeking to recover costs through changing the Public Entertainment Licence provision. This is to be raised as an issue with the SSA. R Bryant to raise at SSA.</p>	<p>Action Office to notify clubs about helmet camera ban and add to SACU website and Facebook pages.</p>

National Farmers Union Scotland – magazine article

The office manager presented a draft article for inclusion in the next NFU magazine. This is a draft only and comments and revisions – particularly showing the benefit to the land owners are welcomed

Action Office to circulate Directors with draft article for comment

A vote of thanks to the chair and to Major A Mack MBE for the kind use of the venue.

Meeting closed at 22:20 pm

C Mackenzie - Minutes