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**Summary Minutes of Directors Meeting on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2016  
Redford Barracks, Colinton, Edinburgh at 7.00pm**

**Present** Chair A Mack A McNaughton, A Cameron, I Barnes, W Annandale, D Young, R Bryant, A Wood, D Paton, T Weir

**Conf. Phone:** Not available

	<b>Action</b>
1. <b>Apologies</b> A Shand,	
2. <b>Declaration of interest.</b> D Young noted an interest in a disciplinary matter and would not be commenting on it.	
3. <b>Minutes of previous meeting</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2016 Proposed D Young . Seconded A Cameron Note I Barnes and A Mack both left the April meeting while the new affiliations were being discussed . <b>Summary</b> No items redacted – publish to clubs and website	<b>Action</b> . Circulate minutes to clubs and post on website
4. <b>Matters arising</b>  Kinlochleven signage. Ken Cameron from the Lochaber club has offered to erect the signage. The SACU is to pick up the cost of signage and erection.  Seminar for Officials taking seminars. It is planned to hold the seminar in October. D Young explained it is to ensure equality across disciplines and ensure standards for officials.  Hi Vis Vest Costs . Agreed to 10 per discipline. The office to liaise with the treasurer for costs .	<b>Action</b> D Young to coordinate.  <b>Action</b> Source samples for review. All vests to be orange.
5. <b>Financial Report</b>  a. <b>Treasurers Report</b> There was a summary of events and riders produced by the Treasurer. Enduro has increased for the year due to new early season events. Road Race is similar to last year. Scottish Classic events are up by about 30 riders. Trials clubs are mostly clearing their costs. Some of the larger clubs seem to be down on rider numbers. Rider numbers are down on the same period in 2015. The Directors Expenses form has been reviewed. No major changes. All Directors are to seek approval for meetings in advance where possible. A review of meeting costs indicated the difference between discipline and management meetings. Travel costs are a major factor. There was some discussion on the benefits of meetings and alternatives. Possible conferencing solutions were mentioned. There was a discussion on the current mileage rate of 35p per mile. There was a proposal to reduce the mileage rate to 30p. Carried unanimously. To take effect from 1 <sup>st</sup> June. For all meetings, discipline committees and stewarding. Office staff mileage rate to remain unchanged	<b>Action.</b> Notify Stewards and committees of mileage rate change from 35p per mile to 30p per mile.
6. <b>New Club Affiliations</b> <b>Ecosse – XC</b> . MX, Enduro and Hare and Hounds. Based in the East Lothian area. The	<b>Action</b> Applications to be circulated to all clubs for

<p>organiser has already run 3 very successful events this year. These were noted as well run events.</p> <p>There was a discussion on the proximity of clubs and the effect on volunteer numbers and rider numbers</p> <p><b>Fife Moto MX Club.</b> The practice track in Fife is currently looking to affiliate to the SACU.</p> <p>It is mainly a Quad racing club but may also run some Motocross</p>	<p>comment. To be reviewed at the next management meeting.</p>
<p><b>7. Office Managers Monthly report.</b></p> <p>Retirement of Yvonne Kelly – Asst Office Manager. Currently Directors are looking to facilitate Y Kelly working from home. Discussions with staff on options have still to take place.</p> <p>Pension arrangements. Qualifying staff to be set up on scheme by 1<sup>st</sup> July. The SACU has joined the SSA Scheme running by Scottish Widows.</p>	<p><b>Action.</b> Contact Pension provider and ensure staff enrolled by start date</p>
<p><b>8. SMS</b></p> <p>The launch promotional meeting went very well. The Sports Development Manager post has now been filled by Rory Bryant. The Development officer post is ongoing.</p> <p>The Ignition Show in Glasgow has a Try Trials area and is also looking for inspirational classic bikes for the show.</p> <p>.</p> <p>A club development paper has been written and will be circulated to the board.</p>	<p><b>Action</b></p>
<p><b>9. SACU Promotional Material.</b></p> <p>2016 Bike Show debrief</p> <p>A Mack summarised the benefit of SACU attendance at the show. Meeting and engaging with riders and newcomers. 50 + riders had a shot at Try Trials. There is a minimal cost to the SACU to be at the show. The SACU will be present at the 2017 show. It gives the clubs a chance to meet members of the SACU.</p> <p>The SACU will be looking for a stand nearer to club stands for next year.</p> <p>“Try Trials “ Pop Up stand design. SACU banner, sportscotland banner and sms banner to be added to the design. To be funded by SMS. 2 to be purchased.</p>	<p><b>Action .</b> Office to design banner</p>
<p><b>10. NFU Magazine land access feedback</b></p> <p>Following a review of the SACU insurance policy and a positive endorsement by the National Farmers Union Scotland an article was written their magazine and published. This has lead to several new pieces of land have been offered. Feedback from the magazine article has been very positive. Clubs are encouraged to download it from the SACU website and pass to local landowners</p>	<p><b>Action :</b> Add the article to the SACU website</p>
<p><b>11. Rider /Team Support</b></p> <p>Several talented riders have asked how the SACU can support and help riders in major events.</p> <p>A Cameron pointed out there is a lot of support for riders at the ISDE.</p> <p>There was a discussion on support for individuals. The SACU is not able to fully fund riders at the current time.</p> <p>S Campbell discussed looking for local councils to support riders.</p> <p>One suggestion was to look at providing licence costs and possibly contribute to International licence costs for talented riders. This is a way of supporting riders and showing commitment from the SACU.</p> <p>W Annandale suggested that individual disciplines support their own riders. This works in some cases – but the management looks to help overall.</p>	<p><b>Action D</b> Young to review and report.</p>

<p>R Bryant (SMS) is looking at enabling riders and developing them through SMS. A Wood suggested supported riders help the SACU to promote the sport and put something back into the sport.</p>	
<p><b>12. AOCB</b></p> <p>A Mack reported on the ACU May AGM. J Collins is to be the new ACU Chairman. The ACU is restructuring and making changes to the Regions. The SACU will remain the same.</p> <p>It was agreed hold bi monthly SACU Management meetings in order to reduce costs. Discipline committees are to be recommended to hold meetings on alternate months to management if possible.</p> <p>A Mack reported on the SSDT and made some suggestions for future events.</p> <p>The development of the Road Race medical board is ongoing. D Paton commented on the possibility of ACU riders being trained at SACU circuits if possible.</p> <p>Stewart Wishart has been given the full support of the SACU Management who are keen to retain him as Road Race Chairman.</p> <p>S Campbell reported on current progress on SACU MX. The British Youth Nationals and MAXXIS Championship rounds are running at Leuchars. The organiser is very keen to have the SACU at the event to promote the SACU. Stewart is very keen to get help to promote the SACU.</p> <p>Rob Wilson who was injured in sidecar passenger accident is now out of hospital .He has been to watch races at Knockhill and has been incredibly positive.</p> <p>Child Protection policy update and guidance for clubs. Discipline papers are to be updated with the new guidance</p> <p>SACU calendars have been updated and are now available on the website. <a href="http://www.sacu.co.uk/calendars">www.sacu.co.uk/calendars</a>. Updating of the calendars to be encouraged with more events added</p> <p>SMS – there was a vote of thanks to Rory Bryant for organising the SMS launch and promoting Motorsport.</p>	<p><b>Action BYN</b> and MAXXIS event s to be added to SACU websites and FB pages. Circulate to clubs. S Campbell to provide promotional material</p> <p><b>Action</b> Circulate the club guidance to all clubs once finalises</p>

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

Date of next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Meeting closed at 11:10 pm

C Mackenzie - Minutes