

SACU Trials Committee Meeting 17/6/2105

Present : N Dawson, T Weir, D Byron, I Shankie, M MacPhail, A Kerr, C White, W Ford

Apologies : N Hird

Minutes of previous meeting

Prop Neil Dawson

Sec I Shankie

Election of Vice Chairman – David Byron Unanimous

Concussion Guidance

There is new Sport Scotland and Scottish Govt guidance on recognition and treatment of concussion. The committee reviewed the guidance. Best practice seems to be to make as many clubs and riders aware of the guidance.

Action send to all Club secretaries for information. All committee members to receive a copy . Add to the website and the Trials Newsletter.

Spectator Safety

Following the Scottish Govt Safety Review the guidance issued is to brief Marshalls to be aware of spectator safety.

Action . Be aware of spectator safety and ensure officials and marshalls are briefed.

SMS – GO CLUBS initiative

There is a Gazebo available for use at any event. Up to £350 per club is available for brochures or advertising . The aim is to allow clubs to promote their sport at motorsport or social events.

The committee then had a discussion on which events would be best to promote the sport. It would be desirable to see other disciplines join in for events as well.

It is preferred to have a stand at the bike show – or Alford show.

There was an interest in sourcing banners for British Trials Championship. This will help promote the sport . The committee will also apply to Management for assistance with the BTC.

Action . Apply for costs of Banners for British Trials Championship. Office to process

SACU Coaching and performance.

Action Neil Dawson selected to be Trials representative on Coach Development panel

Currently the discipline is looking for a simple route to get coaches certified at present . There is a possibility of developing level 2 coaches internally. Some guidance has already been developed by the Bob Mac Academy.

The issue is getting coaches to continue. There is a need to support them in taking days to coach.

How to get coaches scheduled. A brief discussion on non certified coaches taking training days reviewed the risks as they are not insured

ACU Inter Centre Team Trial 2015

Adult team. Manager A Mack volunteered to select and run the team

Youth Team . Manager Neil Dawson volunteered to select and run the team.

Team selection was discussed . Final selection to wait until after the National trial on 21st June.

The Team requires 5 riders – with the best 4 to count.

Action Team Manager selects team taking in to account championship standings.

Discussion on costs.

Approx £500 for fuel and entries for a youth team

Approx £500 for fuel and entries for Adult team

Action Money to be taken from Trials fund. A request to be forwarded to Management for £500 to assist with team costs .

Post event there is a request for a report on the event for the website and publicity.

SACU Team Trial

The team trial is seen as an important fund raiser for the Trials Fund.

Action The Perth Club to be approached to run the event with a % of profit coming to the Trials fund. Central Belt area preferred to ensure a larger entry.

The venue to be confirmed that is suitable for the event and weather.

Rescheduled Lochaber Trial

A new Lochaber Trial Date was discussed taking into account weather and date clashes. There is an offer from T Weir to change the Melville MC Hume date to accommodate the move.

Proposal to drop a round. Counter proposal change event to Melville Hume date. Vote was for change to Hume date.

23rd of August for Glen Nevis Trial – Lochaber

6th Sept for Melville at Bob Mac Trials Academy

Action Circulate to clubs. Then to riders via Trials newsletter. D Byron to confirm with Office

Officials certification

Action Amend Standing regs to include desired officials.

Championship Sponsorship.

Action . Query to A Mack to confirm if there is sponsorship for 2015.

AOCB

Ben Dignan requested a change to allow him to ride the youth blue route. If a rider changes route during a year there are no points awarded for the new route.

Action. Ben Dignan can move up as long as the parent signs a disclaimer to say they are aware of the additional risk of the new route. The parent required to act as minder. The parent to decide on suitability of sections at the event Office to provide disclaimer form

The Dalmellington Club would like to run a trial on 23rd August closed to club on same date a Championship Trial.

Action Alan Kerr to speak to Dalmellington club.

Communication with the office

Clubs are to be requested to send in event regs and results or links for addition to the website. Office to produce a standard entry form. This will be Added to the website for downloading.

Action Office to produce entry form and update website.

Stewarding Dates

15/16 Aug LMCC Fintry

23rd Aug

Risk assessment forms to be used in future– send out blank forms to clubs once reviewed by the trials committee

Alan Crayk – official at 2014 SSDT – check up on injury claim with Locktons for 2014.

Dates Meeting

6th Dec . Venue to be decided . Clubs to be reminded to bring a full year events list . Ensure a representative of each club is present .

Date of next meeting. Wednesday 14th Oct. 7:30 at SACU office.

Meeting closed at 10:15 pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Minutes Charles Mackenzie SACU Office Manager.