

SACU Trials Committee Meeting – 22nd September 2016

SACU Office Uphall 7:00 pm



Present

Tam Weir, Neil Dawson, Douglas Paton, Ross Thompson, I Shankie, Murdo MacPhail. Alan Kerr

Apologies David Byron A Mack

Declaration of Interest

None declared

Minutes of Previous Meeting. 23rd June . Prop D Paton , Sec I Shankie

Matters Arising

None

Classic Championship – progress

Comments were noted on date changes and date clashes during the season. Kia Championship dates for 2017 to be noted when setting classic dates. Some first year teething problems. Generally there were about 35 – 40 riders at each event.

There was a discussion on including the Wobblers Class . In some cases the event may be too hard for beginners on modern bikes. The wobblers route is set to encourage new riders at SACU Championship events.

There was a suggestion for the Twinshock / Pre 65 event to also have a Beginners Route.

The rounds are to be spread out over the year – possibly with more rounds with some to drop.

The Championship is to be to run as Open to Scotland events.

Rules and Regs.

The Scottish Championship to be a minimum of 5 rounds. Total number of rounds that take place minus one round to count . Only riders who complete all rounds will drop a round.

There was a discussion on date clashes. The criteria for events that take place on the same day to be clarified and agreed at the dates meeting.

For British Adult and Youth Trials Championship round dates it was suggested that no trials permits are issued that clash with these events.

No National permits to be issued on the date of Scottish Championship or British Championship events – to be discussed at the dates meeting. Trials could run on a Saturday to avoid a clash.

The lack of observers was reviewed. Abuse of officials is not acceptable and will be dealt with where it occurs.

Dates meeting

The dates meeting is very important and clubs must attend the meeting to resolve dates clashes. Production of the dates calendar is very important to allow printing by the start of the year. It is essential that all clubs have a representative attend the dates meeting.

The Trials awards function for 2016. The choice of venue depends on the cost. Date suggested as 3rd December.

Trophies for Classic/ Twinshock Championship.

Some people may be interested in donating trophies for this Championship . The existing Stratford Trophy to be presented as part of the new Pre65/Twinshock Championship.

Query from Dalmellington re dates

A letter from Dalmellington Club on a change of dates that caused a clash of events was discussed. This highlighted the need for clubs to attend the dates meeting. Changes of dates may cause clashes.

Action – M Macphail to draft a letter – circulate to committee members for comment before replying to the club.

Any other business

A query was noted on Scottish Club members who reside in England – can they enter the SACU Team Trial.

The committee confirmed that riders must be members of an SACU affiliated club but need not hold an SACU licence. ACU clubs can enter a team – but ride for no award.

Injury to riders at trials. It is recommended that riders have a rear disc cover fitted for 2016. Solid sprockets or sprocket covers are also recommended.

M Macphail to investigate stick on rear sprocket covers.

Stewards

9th Oct Perth Team Trial - Douglas Paton and Ross Thomson to shadow.

16th Oct Fersit - Sandy Mack

The committee asked that the letter to D Byron re stewarding duties was issued as soon as possible.

Meeting finished at

Date of next meeting. 3rd December TBC

Minutes taken C Mackenzie

Meeting closed at 9:30 pm Thanks to the chair.