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Dear Club Secretary/Committee Member

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SACU SEMINARS

Can I ask all clubs to consider if any of their officials need or wish to attend seminars early in 2016. An application form is enclosed and if more are required either photocopy or request further supplies from the office. **Club secretaries should countersign applications.** In the Bulletin dated 12 December 1996 it was intimated that clubs organising National events must staff these events with certificated officials, otherwise permits may be withdrawn. Officials requiring certification will be Clerk of Course, Secretary of Meeting, Technical Officer, Chief Marshall and Club Steward. Clubs should state the names of the officials and their certificate number on event regulations and club secretaries should ensure that all club members organising events are made aware of these conditions. Particular reference is made to the Clerk of Course who is the Chief Executive Official and under whose direction the other event officials may be appointed according to the type of competition. (National Sporting Code 5.02).

In addition we will be organising Environmental seminars – these will be notified as soon as a date is arranged

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

There are still a number of clubs who have yet to submit their annual membership fee and their membership list. The membership fee depends on the number of votes as per the last Bulletin. If you have any queries about the Membership Fee please contact the Office. It is essential that clubs submit a list of the names and addresses of their members as the number of members declared on the list will determine the number of votes allocated to each club at the AGM. Failure to submit a return by the due date will result in no nominations being accepted nor any votes being allocated. It also follows that there will be no permits issued and the issue of licences will be delayed until the fee and the membership list are received. The absolute closing date for the receipt of the membership fees & lists has been set at **16TH JANUARY 2017.**

Clubs who affiliated in 2016 do not need to send a membership fee but we do need a list of members for voting purposes

LICENCE APPLICATION FORMS

The Adult and Youth licence forms for 2017 are attached along with the 2017 One Event Licence forms. Clubs are reminded that the forms can only be issued to club members once signed by the Club Secretary.

Please remind Road Race Licence applicants to attach their Race Record card.

Non SACU / ACU LICENCES

Only SACU, ACU licences or National Federation licences with start permission will be accepted at events. At Motocross or MX flat field events only other federation licences will be accepted subject to a levy which ensures Personal Accident cover and issue of licence. For Motocross events where a non SACU licence is used the rider must complete a medical form along with the entry form to ensure Personal Accident cover. The form is attached

For Off Road Speed or Trials events a rider with no licence (or Trials Registration Card) will be issued with a day licence at the standard rate.

2016 AWARD WINNERS

Please see attached sheets with our Discipline Champions for 2016.

INSURANCE 2017

Copies of the new insurance Basic Facts form will be sent out to all clubs and posted on the website as soon as the new agreement is available.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR 2017.

I am enclosing with this bulletin the Rules and Regulations for Road Race for 2017. The other disciplines will follow as soon as they are approved.

INTERNATIONAL START PERMISSIONS

Any rider entering an event outside the UK (Scotland, England, Wales and Isle of Man) will require a start permission and insurance. This ensures the rider is covered in case of accident and requires repatriation.

The SACU can provide Start permission for events that accept a National Federation licence – please ensure riders check with the office.

For International permit events the rider will need to get an International licence from the ACU – this also requires a full medical and stress ECG. This may take some time so any riders seeking an International licence in 2017 should apply for it as soon as possible. The SACU licence can be used to obtain an International licence.

For 2017 several events have been upgraded to full International status and riders will require an International licence. Particularly the Serres Rally, the Merzouga Rally and the Hellas Rally.

SCOTTISH BIKE SHOW INGLISTON 2017

The SACU will be represented at the Bike Show in March 2017. Clubs and members are encouraged to visit the stand and meet with Management members and committee members.

OFFICE CLOSURE OVER THE FESTIVE PERIOD

The SACU office will be closed from Thursday 22nd December and re-open for business on Wednesday 4th January. The Board of Directors, Stella and I wish you all the compliments of the season and a successful year in 2017.

Charles Mackenzie

SACU Office Manager