



Chairman's Remarks

Nicky Moffit says "Associations need to work closer with clubs". Does he mean us?
Expect news around end of September of changes coming with the new structure., including announcement of a new CEO.
Nominations for Club of the Year and Volunteer of the Year open soon.

Matters arising from previous meetings

Discussion of D4.5.4

D4.5 describes which events can run with Clubmans Permits, and when licences are or are not required. Extracts from the current version read:

4.5. Clubmans Permits for the following types of event must comply with 4.5.1. to 4.5.4.

- (a) 12 Car Rallies.
- (b) Navigational Scatters.
- (c) Sporting Trials.
- (d) Car Trials
- (e) AutoSolo.
- (f) Autotests.
- (g) Production Car Autotests.
- (h) Cross Country Trials (Untimed).
- (i) Cross Country Tyro Trials.
- (j) A Veteran Car Rally (or Run) (R.17.3).
- (k) Classic Reliability Trials.
- (l) Navigation Rallies limited to 20 cars not being part of a championship

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4.5.3. Competitors will not require any form of competition licence, other than a club membership card.

4.5.4. Events in 4.5. (b) to (k) may form part of a Regional Association Championship provided that all Competitors participating or scoring in such a championship hold a Clubmans Competition Licence

A Regional Association Championship can be run for most Clubman events (but not rallies), and competitors will require a licence to compete in the championship.

An association cannot run a championship for Navigational Rallies without the events being at National B status, and the competitors require National B licences eg Nat B Non Race £45. We consider this a barrier to entry.

After some discussion it was agreed that Ian Davis would write a proposal :

1. To remove the requirement for competitors on Clubman events to allow Regional Associations to run championships of Clubman events without the requirement for championship competitors to have competition licences.
2. Allow navigational rallies with up to 20 entries to run as Clubman events without licences, and be included in Regional Association championships.
3. This change to run for a trial period of two years.

R-GT cars in Stage Rallies

Working group drawing up regulations to allow R-GT cars in stage rallies. Proposal to be submitted to Rallies Committee.

- Steel monocoque, bodywork original shape, including arches.
- 2WD,
- wheels original width (because original body shape), diameter free,
- camshaft free,
- no upper capacity limit – but restrictors fitted
- original or homologated gears,
- mechanical LSD OK.
- Remote reservoir dampers prohibited

RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP STEERING GROUP

Regions had been asked to send dates of non-championship (multi venue) stage rallies to the MSA for use by the RCSG. Important for allocation of Safety Delegates, and in future, Tracking System. The Chairman commented that not all Regions had responded.

We didn't think we had any Non-Championship multi venue rallies.

Jim Clark and Mull would both be expected to be in the STRC, and we expected JCR to be in the SRC at least as a reserve round.

Ronnie Sandham of ANECC commented that it is hard to fix dates so far in advance when military land is used. This also affects the STRC.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

VNUK – EU proposal ignored submissions from motorsport. Still lobbying. Simon Blunt says no requirement to hold any new insurance. Much concern / pressure about electric bikes (which are not allowed in Northern Ireland)

MSA recruiting an IT Services Director and a Director of Training and Education, as well as new CEO.

TRAINING

Marshal registrations now passed 10,000

Event and Spectator Safety Officer courses launched.

Stage Commander 1 day refresher courses launched. Two day courses for new stage commanders next year.

Four new online courses being developed, expected to be released this autumn.

Marshal training – concern about expecting marshals to keep attending same old courses, to maintain their grades.

GO MOTORSPORT

Presentation on coaching had been made to meeting of RDOs (which SAMSC does not have).

One day 6 hour Introduction to Coaching course, encourage clubs to introduce coaching and mentoring.

Development Fund – 15 applications

INTER-ASSOCIATION EVENTS

SAMSC to host I-A stage rally in 2019

RALLY FUTURE

Version 4 now live – red flags and split field seeding are the main changes.

Tracking System – to be reviews by MSA board working group.

CLOSED ROADS

Many applications being received, some for stage rallies using short sections of road to extend or join stages.

Application for a race for small electric cars in Hull.

Possible to include a Clearway Order as part of the application, thus allowing vehicles parked on the route to be removed.



ITEMS FROM ASSOCIATIONS

SAMSC – Why are Junior 1000 drivers not allowed to use their licences for other events – e.g., navigate on other rallies? Should they not be encouraged to get all the experience they can. Ian Davis replied they need to apply for another licence, probably Non-Race Nat B at half price.

SAMSC – Scottish Ambulance Service will not rendezvous to collect casualty for transport to hospital, unless contracted to provide cover at an event. Is this practice elsewhere in UK too? Others said they had encountered this in Wales and Lincolnshire. Peter Weall thought the governing body should take this up. Kate Adamson?

TECHNICAL

John Ryan joined the meeting.

Is happy for Associations/Clubs to circulate Scrutineering Bulletins, and also said that if any competitor or official wants to be added to the circulation list, just email their request to technical@msauk.org

Reviewing lifing of seats and belts. Discussing a database of cars/seats using logbooks, to track usage and problems. Meeting with FIA in September.

Changes to roll cage regulations (roof bars) had been relaxed for older cars, following feedback from competitors.

Scrutineers – removed the unnecessary distinction between National A and B scrutineers, and no longer minimum time to progress. Making it easier and faster for scrutineers to get qualified .

ELECTION FOR 2019

Nicky Moffit was re-elected Chairman of Regional Committee, and Peter Weall was elected Vice Chairman.

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