



Meeting opened: 19:30

Closed: 22:03

Attendance

Chairman

Peter Weall

Secretary & Website Manager

Lock Horsburgh

Treasurer

Keith Butler

Calendar Manager

Raymond Mann

Vice President

Bruce Lyle

MSA Council Rep

Sandy Denham

Race Committee Rep

Sandy Denham

Timekeeping Committee Rep

Ian Sharp

Road Events Co-ordinator

Dave MacKintosh

Stage Rally Co-ordinator - STRC

Trix Grant

Stage Rally Co-ordinator – Jr 1000

Stuart Sheridan

Delegates from the following member clubs:

Caledonian CHMSC

Coltness Car Club

Condor Motor Sports Club

Dunfermline Car Club

East Ayrshire Car Club

Glenrothes Motor Sport Club

Grampian Automobile Club

Hawick & Border CC

Isle of Skye Rally Club

Machars Car Club

Mull Car Club

RSAC Motorsport

Saltire Rally Club

Scottish Motor Racing Club

Scottish Motorsport Marshals Club

Scottish Off Road Club

Scottish Sporting Car Club

Solway Car Club

Stonehaven & District Motor Club

Wigton M C

Guests

Development Manager, Scottish Motor Sport

Gillian Sefton

Development Officer, Scottish Motor Sport

Shabaz Khan

Timekeeper

Stan Thorogood

Journalist

John Fife



Apologies

President	John Cleland
Vice Chairman	Grahame Douglas
Cross Country Committee Rep	Rupert Hine
Medical Committee Rep	John Harrington
Autotest Co-ordinator	Bill Creevy
Sprint & Hillclimb Co-ordinator	Tim Thomson
Stage Rally Co-ordinator (SRC)	Gordon Adam
Training Co-ordinator	Rupert Hine

From the following delegates

63 CC	David Law
Aberdeen	Ian Sheills
Berwick & District	Bob Pawson
Caledonian Classic & Historic MSC	Jim Paterson
Disability Motorsport Scotland	Colin Duthie
Hawick & Border CC	Clayton Lackenby
Highland Car Club	Tracy Smith
Jim Clark Memorial MC	Bob Pawson
Knockhill Motor Sport Club	Stuart Gray
Monklands Sporting Car Club	Colin McLatchie
Saltire Rally Club	Graham Couser
Scottish Land Rover OC	Bobby Muir
Scottish Sprint and Hillclimb Championship	Tim Thomson
South of Scotland Car Club	Willie Keaning
SHR Club	Ron Cowan
SRC Car Club	Gordon Adam
Karting	Rod Taylor

Ref Welcome: Action

1 a. Peter Weall chaired the meeting and welcomed club delegates and guests, and thanked co-ordinators for their reports.

1 b **Minutes**

The minute of the Meeting on 18 June 2019 was approved, with correction to attendance. Proposed SMRC, seconded Scottish Sporting CC
On website at [Minutes of 18/06/2019](#) [Corrected version V2]

Note that most of the documents referred to in these minutes can be found online at [SAMSC Proceeding 2019/09](#)

1 c **Outstanding Actions**

1506/06 Keep Key Info contacts up to date.

2019 06 update: carried forward

All Clubs

1606/01 Working group on marshal recruitment and retention.

*2019 06 update: Bruce Lyle agreed to try to make progress with this.
Carried Forward.*

Grahame Douglas



2019 09 Discussions ongoing but no progress to report.

1711/05 Association championship for Targa Rallies?

Does not seem to be much support from organising clubs. They want to run clubman events on a road rally permit, in which case they cannot be in a Regional Championship.

Pete Weall

Closed

1806/02 Provisional dates to Calendar Manager please, but we are now looking for 2020 instead of 2019. .

All Clubs

*2019 09 update |Limited progress made. Raymond says he has dates from 22 clubs. Clubs to get dates to Raymond ASAP **Carried forward.***

1809/10a An item from the Regional Committee report was discussed under AOCB relating to the provision of casualty transfer from events using the Scottish Ambulance Service. Rory Bryant was asked to investigate through his contacts if this issue was impacting on other sports.

Gillian
Sefton

2019 06 update: Ron Cowan says getting good responses from SAS, but still a problem at the Solway.

*2019 09 This is now on the agendas of Medical committee (John Harrington), and Safety Committee (Ron Cowan). Note provided by Gillian, agreed to close this item **Closed***

1811/02 Chairman to write for progress on tracking system, and who makes the decision

Peter
Weall

2019 06 update: Ian Campbell has taken it on for Motorsport UK. Seem to back to square one.

*2019 09 update: Motorsport UK still keen, but have nit found a system that works in the terrain used by UK rallies. Iain Campbell is evaluating options. No date for a conclusion. Richard Crozier reported that Sport Track system is being used on Irish events, costs £50-60 per car (a cost to the competitor, not the event). Seems to work on public roads, but will it work in forests? **Carried Forward***



1 d	<p><u>Chairman's Report</u></p> <p>Peter read an email received from Hugh Chambers that day, regretting that he could not attend. Decline in licence holders for years, and entries. We are in the entertainment business. Need a culture change, need less red tape, less bureaucracy. Member benefits, like discounts from Halfords. Great things happening in Scotland that rest of UK could learn from. Hopes to visit us soon.</p> <p>Lock Horsburgh reported an embarrassing experience in Halfords, on presenting a coupon downloaded from the Motorsport UK website "expires 31/12/19", The Halfords tills said the number on the coupon was invalid, no such discount. Looked up the Motorsport UK website again, it still said "expires 31/12/19" but with a different number and barcode. Apparently a new deal will run from start September to end August 2020..</p> <p>Peter Weall's Chairman's report is available on the website, includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wallace Menzies won British Hillclimb Championship with six rounds to go.• Ewan Thorburn won Scottish Rally championship and BTRDA• Willie Keating lead British Autotest Championship with two rounds to go.• Open meeting held to discuss state of stage rallying, esp level of entries all year with Solway Coast cancelled in August. Organisers looking closely at the financial model, forest costs and difficulty of reaching break-even, as well as the number of events and the calendar. <p>Club Development Day – go back to your clubs, try to get a better attendance. It has been a good day last two years.</p> <p>We had been told at Regional on 7th August that Specialist Committee members would be confirmed within 10 days, but nobody has heard anything. The delay is that they have to be approved by the board on 25th September.</p>	
1 e	<p><u>Treasurer's Report</u> is online</p> <p>All membership fees for 2020 have now been paid. Budget included £500 for Inter Association event expenses. Keep it available for net year? SAMSC to run cross country event in 2020, probably British Championship Comp Safari event in June.</p>	
1 f	<p><u>Calendar Manager's Report</u></p> <p>Has dates from 22 clubs, doesn't have many speed events yet. Provisional dates for stage rallies, but still very provisional.</p> <p>Peter: SRC Club wrote to member/organising clubs with their preferred calendar. Five clubs took issue with this and demanded an EGM (to be held 24 Sept) Peter Weall has been invited to attend as SAMSC chairman..</p>	All Clubs



1 g	<p>Secretary's Report The secretary's report is available on SAMSC site and was distributed by email. Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No membership changes.• Regulation changes Race are open for consultation, Changes for Speed and Karting had been published since our last meeting but the consultation period ended before this meeting.• Correspondence from Roger Anderson of Machars Car Club, concerned that they were not receiving Association notices, minutes, reports. Investigation showed Machars last updated their contacts in 2012, and only one email address still worked. Our messages were being delivered to that address, but not being circulated. We now have 8 current addresses for Machars, <p>Peter commented that the Karting Paddock Safety document was well worth reading, even if karting was not your discipline. There was some good stuff in there that was widely applicable.</p>	
2	<p><u>MOTOR SPORT DEVELOPMENT</u> SMS Development Manager Gillian Sefton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SMS Autumn News is in Proceedings on the SAMSC site.• Club Development – workshop on social media – let Gillian know of anything your club wants included• Tartan Tarmac this weekend. SMS will be there, Saltire too.• Dave – SDMC will have six cars at Aberdeen Performance Car exhibition organised by James Stephen. Hope to have live action in the future.• Dave MacKintosh reported a bug in Road Car Series website. <p>Peter – follow up on invitation to SMS meeting – offer still open, contact Pete. At coffee break?</p>	
3	<p><u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u></p>	
3 a	<p><u>Motor Sports Council</u> Sandy Denham – see Sandy's Council Report Two separate groups set up to work on Sustainability and Affordability. Sandy is working on affordability, meeting at Donnington with Hugh Chambers Nick Pollitt and Jonathan Palmer. Not just money, but time and resources. Will be making a presentation to council. Tom Purves told Sandy that Sustainability was progressing too.</p> <p>c. 260 applications for council and committees.</p>	
	<p><u>MSA Committee Reports</u> Mostly distributed with agenda, and online in SAMSC Proceedings 2019/09. Many committees have not met since the last SAMSC meeting.</p> <p>a) MSA Regional Committee met 7th August, see Regional Committee report British Airways computers crashed, Lock was the only air traveller to get there (BA to Gatwick), so the meeting was half tele conference.</p> <p>Selling Colnbrook office and moving to Bicester</p> <p>Discussion of proposed Sprint & Hill changes. Concern about S1.2.3</p>	



	<p>(should be at least one licensed Deputy or Assistant clerk in addition to CoC) and S 1.2.4 (should be an additional licensed CoC to act as Track Controller) so at least three CoCs required. This would be a problem, there were not enough CoCs available and willing. Delegates, including two sprint championship coordinators, agreed with this. Current practice was reported to be to have a Track Controller, who does not need to be a Clerk.</p> <p>The proposal changed that to “should”. It was agreed that the minutes of the Regional committee should record that we thought it should be “recommended” rather than required</p> <p>Peter Weall elected Chairman for 2020, Chris Woodcock Vice Chairman</p>	
	<p>b) Autotest Committee – might be trying to merge PCA and Autosolo regs. Robert May will pull together a group to look at this to see if the regs can be rewritten to simplify/combine regs. Russell Fair – East Ayrshire are getting more demand for tighter tests and reversing. Tyres can be a problem – not to use lists 1B and 1C. Don’t actually have to use from List 1A, but cant be B or C</p> <p>c) Rupert Hine’s Cross Country Committee report is online.</p> <p>d) Graham Couser’s Historic Committee report is here.</p> <p>e) Judicial Committee – nothing material</p> <p>f) Karting Committee – nothing material</p> <p>g) Medical Committee</p> <p>h) Race Committee – Sandy’s report - marshal training for electric vehicles</p> <p>i) Rallies Committee - no meeting</p> <p>j) Safety Committee – no meeting</p> <p>k) Speed Committee and</p> <p>l) Sprint and Hillclimb Sub-committee Biggest ever response to consultation – 130 responses. But that’s a very small percentage of speed licence holders. Two items creating most interest was tyres – people don’t want to allow road tyres, which is ironic, because an objective was to make it easier for casual competitors to use their road cars. People in the north of Scotland in May or September may see wintry conditions, while competitors in Truro are still in summer. Event organisers can’t relax Blue book requirements, but can tighten them. By releasing the tyres, it would be open for championship organisers to tighten the requirements as they saw fit, or leave them open if they thought that was appropriate. So clubby events and championships could leave regs open to encourage participation from casual/fun competitors, while the elite championships could write more restrictive regs.</p> <p>Another cause of objections was the original proposal that there should be a deputy clerk, and a track controller; those could have been the same person. It was thought this would allow the Clerk to take a break. At the moment, if the doctor takes a break, the event has to stop. There was concern that in the future, this might be forced on the Clerk too, if there was no deputy.</p>	



	<p>We have thrown away the allowance for the driver of a modern Standard Car to only buy a helmet, and for the driver of a Road Car to use a £40 suit. Now they will need £600 of safety equipment.</p> <p>Peter: It seems the intention of these proposals fits with the new regime's move towards affordability. Don't be too downhearted, maybe this is not yet dead.</p> <p>Vernon: Concerned about announcement of changes to licences for next year, thinks that will make it too easy for a novice to get into an unrestricted single seater after six events in an 1100cc shopping car.</p> <p>m) Technical Committee – nothing material n) Timekeeping Committee – not met o) Trials Committee – we don't do trials, so nothing material to us p) Volunteer Officials Committee has not met q) Rally Championship Steering Group</p>	
4	<p><u>Co-ordinators Reports</u></p> <p>a) Communications co-ordinator – do we need one? Should we be sending stuff to the media, rather than member clubs or club members? Peter thinks our responsibility is to communicate to clubs about rule changes etc. Lock mentioned the newsletter produced by Maurice Ellison in NW England. He doesn't write much himself, but clubs and members and anybody who feels the urge can send in stories or pictures and Maurice sends them out to a huge mailing list, not just to club members. Should we employ a professional?</p> <p>b) Training – Rupert's report is here.</p> <p>c) Marshalling – Stewart Paton. Get a small group together. Call it volunteering instead of marshalling.</p> <p>d) Web Site – routine maintenance and updates</p>	
5	<p><u>Discipline Co-ordinators Reports</u></p> <p>a) Autotest Coordinator's Report six championship events have run, disappointing entry at Dumfries, a good area for autotesting. Bill Creevy out of action due to breaking a leg while coaching curlers in Poland.</p> <p>b) Cross Country – Graham Rieu Clarke</p> <p>c) Road Events – report is on the SAMSC site., Autumn Rally on 24th August was first after summer break. Next round is the Hairst on 16 Nov. Thinks the trial for using clubman events allows more entries. Lost two events in the south, GMSC Aquarius and EUMsC Nuit Blanche, would like events south of Perth. Can aclubs consider upgrading 12-cars?</p> <p>d) Race – Racing Report by Rory Bryant. Entries up on 1st year, mainly due to success of new C1 championship with up to 18 entries..</p> <p>e) Sprint and Hillclimb – Tim Thomson's report Hillclimb championship finished, sprints have two meetings to go.</p> <p>f) Stage Rally SRC – apologies from Gordon Adam whose SRC end of season report is here. Stage Rally STRC – Trix Grant's STRC report Stage Rally Junior 1000 Ecosse Challenge report from Stuart Paterson</p>	



	g) Karting –	
7	Matters from Clubs Revolution Magazine – some members get the email, some don't. Lock does, Pete doesn't. Why? What's the criteria? There is an app for your phone – search for Motorsport UK in your app store. You can have the app and still get the email.	
8	AOCB	
	<u>Meeting closed at 22:03</u> Future meetings: 19 November 2019	