



Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Improvement in entries from allowing Regional Championships with clubman events: Mile Sones reckons 20% improvement.

Pete Weall says SAMSC are running an autotest championship where we didn't have one before.

Rally Championship Steering Group

Nicky Moffit – please submit dates of non-RCSG events ASAP, when known, for availability of Rescue, Medics, and other resources – including tracking, later.

[We still have the problem that many events have to wait till RCSG publish dates, before they can try to find a free date left over.] Next meeting of RCSG 16/7/19.

Benefits of Competing in Motorsport UK Permitted Events

Ian Berry has been talking to Track Day Operators, and Karting Operators, Drag event promoter, to try to bring them to cooperate with Motorsport UK bodies. Chris Woodcock asked what would be implications of running a track day. Simon Fowler says the permits available are for Untimed Speed Practice events, rather than for Track Days. Ian says most venues want promoter of an event to have £20M public liability insurance.

Ambulances Unwilling to Transfer Casualties

Peter Weall was in contact with Scottish Ambulance Service, trying to get them to agree an actual meeting.

Tony Clements (AEMC) said that Essex Ambulance tried to charge for covering the Clacton closed road rally. Tony said that since then they have found that under the relevant legislation The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (which covers Scotland too) there is no power for the Category One Responders to charge for providing an emergency service, or to refuse to respond to an emergency.



Chief Executive's Report

New issues facing the sport, working on a growth strategy. Now up to 56 staff, including 14 new people hired in the last 6 months. Finding a new General Secretary to replace Simon blunt has been a long process.

Change in direction from being focused on rules and regulations, "ministry of motorsport", to actively promoting the sport, "Customer focus"

Licensing Dept changed name to Membership Dept.

Less focus on the minority elite end of the sport like the Academy, more attention to club level like Autotests rather than WRC and Touring Cars.

Open, customer focussed, transparent. Live stream council meetings?

Why dump RDOs? Not interested in grass roots?

Hard to measure effectiveness.

New articles of Association passed – shifts decision making from Council to the Board.

Motorsport UK committees to include a new Rules Committee, comprised of committee chairs. Can produce a report, recommendations. Board can decide whether or not to take that advice.

Driven by guidance from UK Sport and Sport England.

Maybe committee meeting should be longer, routing stuff in morning, "blue sky thinking" in afternoon?

Soon ads for new members of committees/Council.

Tenure max three periods of three years.

Finances – big investments in people and elsewhere. Plans to bring in new revenues.

Licensing is growing, first time for 6 years.

New newsletter and digital magazine.

No longer send out paper blue book.

New member benefits scheme.

British Kart championships brought in-house.

Technical department working on reducing costs to competitor – cost is the most common reason given for stopping.



Training - Sue Sanders

New Clerk's Modular Training books about to be published.

A new "Module 1" being developed to apply to all Official licence grades.

New online training platform, and training modules, being written, including a refresh of Rally Marshal training.

Marshal PRC checks had resulted in the Training Dept receiving abuse from rally marshals. Grading scheme not working, needs reviewed.

Sport Promotion - Ian Berry

Suze Endean leaving, a replacement being sought.

Working on new initiatives to encourage people into grass roots events.

A "Trackside Membership" being developed for fans.

Working group being set up to support clubs. Any suggestions?

Bob Milloy asked how could clubs carry on the work of the RDOs? Access to their contacts? Funds might be available case by case basis.

Update on Rally Future - Ian Davis

Changes to Annexes only, effective 1st August.

Compulsory dash cams for Safety Cars. Advice/spec available.