



SCOTTISH MOTOR SPORTS

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SAMSC Meeting – SMS Update

Date: Tuesday 18th June 2019

NDO Recruitment

SMS have appointed a new National Development Officer.

Shabaz Khan started on Monday the 29th of April.

Shabaz is currently in the final stages of completing his Bachelor's Degree in International Sports Management at Glasgow Caledonia University. He has eight years of experience within sports coaching and development working with a number of organisations across a variety of roles including coach educator, equalities development and development officer. His sports development background is predominantly rugby with his most recent role being in football. Shabaz also has experience of working with minority groups, youth sport and disability sport. He is very passionate about inclusion and equality projects which link sport to the local community.

The decision to appoint Shabaz was unanimous within the selection panel.

During the interview process, 4/5 invited candidates attended. We had one no-show on the day. Of the four who attended, standards were extremely high and we were very impressed with the calibre of candidates.

Sportscotland Investment

Our investment for 2019-2020 has been approved.

The funds will be released when Sportscotland finalise the administration and processing of SMS/SACU documentation and accounts.

Sportscotland fund SMS in the format of staffing resource. As SMS are not a funding body or limited company, we do not generate income. Whilst clubs cannot apply to SMS for funding support we may be able to help them access external funding streams. What clubs can receive is a human resource which will assist with, for example; club governance; volunteer recruitment; membership recruitment campaigns; development planning, monitoring and evaluation; business support and guidance; research (e.g. sourcing suitable funding options for club projects); and partnership building (e.g. local authority, local government, schools and tertiary education etc.).

If you would like to know more about how SMS could work together with your club, please contact info@scottishmotorsports.co.uk





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Facilities and Land Audit

As part of SMS's current four year plan, a target was set around auditing the venues and areas of land accessed by clubs for training and events as a starting point for creating a cross discipline facilities strategy. The main purposes of the audit were to identify:

- Areas of land that are currently available and utilised by motorsports clubs in Scotland
- Whether or not areas of land currently available could be utilised more frequently by other clubs and disciplines
- Areas of land that have been used in the past and the reasons they are no longer in use

SAMSC Chairman, Pete Weall, recently carried out an analysis of the 400 permitted events in 2018 in which it was identified that almost 200 different venues had been utilised. Whilst only 60 of these venues hosted more than one event, this research has proven that there are a considerable number of areas of land available to Scottish clubs.

SMS are currently in the process of creating a full list of all venues across two and four wheel motorsport to determine if there is a need to create a facilities strategy to gain access to more areas of land for club events or whether it would make more sense to make better shared use of the land we currently utilise.

Motorsport Inclusion Training (MIT)

SMS, Disability Motorsport Scotland (DMS) and Scottish Disability Sport (SDS) have worked in partnership over the last six months to generate an inclusion training module to educate clubs, coaches, event organisers and volunteers within every role on how best to include riders and drivers with disabilities. The training will enable clubs to support all members, regardless of ability, within their mainstream events. MIT will teach clubs how to make reasonable adjustments in line with current safety regulations in order to include any rider or driver within their activities. The overall aim of the training is to begin a more positive dialogue and remove perceived barriers to entry within a sport that could be fully inclusive.

The date for the pilot run of the course is Friday the 5th of July. This will take place at Kames Race Track in Muirkirk and will be attended by representatives from both the SACU, Motorsport UK, SMS Committee and the Scottish Association of Motor Sports Clubs. Following this, the course will be made available on a wider scale to all clubs within Scotland.

