

## Regional Committee meeting held 17th May 2017

*Note: Due to unforeseen and short notice circumstances, neither Pete Weall nor Lock Horsburgh were able to attend the Regional Committee meeting nor was it possible to arrange any substitute. This note is prepared from the Chairman's report to MSA Council.*

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the May meeting noting a good level of support from MSA staff, including Alan Gow, MSA Chairman.
2. Chairman's preamble covered various points to note including mention of Regional Committee member responsibilities and conduct, declarations of conflicts as appropriate, communicating and sharing information between Regional Associations on a 'best practice' basis, confidentiality within all aspects of our position within MSA.
3. Matters arising from minutes included:
  - Clubman permit events, Regional Championships and licenses.
  - ANCC Environmental Scrutineer inspector.
  - Championship Dates under D11.1 which was considered by Judicial Advisory Panel.
  - Unregulated speed style events – consider the protection provided through MSA by running regulated motorsport events.
4. Rob Jones provided a comprehensive update to regional delegates on MSA matters. Specific questions were answered concerning Child Safeguarding and Regional Development Officer changes to working hours.
5. Development – In her absence Suze Endean had provided an excellent written report on all aspects of her work which highlighted the MSA Motor Sport Development Fund, Volunteer recognition, Regional Development Officers (together with a Regions map) and general/future planning. Several new RDO's had been appointed and Regional Associations had been involved at the interview stage which was well received.
6. Training - Alan Page advised that the series of 2017 licensed official seminars (for Technical Officials and other Licensed Officials such as Clerks and Stewards) was almost complete. Alan also advised that following over 20 years of similar arrangements, a significant review of the delivery of seminars had begun.
7. Alan Page continued by updating delegates on a variety of associated items including:
  - Rally marshals accreditation – over 7100 completed with another 1045 who have started the process but not yet completed the training.
  - Currently 8619 registered marshals on MSA system (Rob Jones commented that Alan Page had been instrumental in introducing the online training which has proved very successful as the number of registered marshals noted at MSA before the course commenced was 6082 – now risen by 2537).
  - Marshal's welcome packs are currently being delivered to all registered marshals.
  - An additional four one day Safety Car courses are being planned and will be promoted.
  - In the Autumn several one day Event and Stage Safety Officer courses will also be planned.
  - MSA recently published their revised Child Safeguarding Policy and all documents are available to download on the MSA website. Clubs must follow the process and appoint a CSO
8. Regional delegates discussed various points of note from Specialist Committee Minutes and mandated the Chairman to raise items for awareness where necessary.

9. Inter-Association events in grassroots disciplines are being hosted by various Associations in all parts of the country during 2017. It was agreed to continue with the rotation of inter-association events in disciplines around the regions and Association delegates were asked to ensure that host Clubs notified details of their events in good time to encourage entries from other Regional Association areas.

10. Review of Motorsport Safety – Ian Davis advised members on current activities, as follows:

- Updated Safety Requirements have been published and are operational from 1st July 2017. Refer to the MSA Website (for all versions).
- Rally Car Tracking – expectation that stage rally events in Championships will be managed through the Rally Championship Steering Group (RCSG) and 2018 dates will be discussed at their next meeting on 18th July 2017.
- Radio operators and marshals clarified regarding mandatory radios and supplementary radios.

11. Other items discussed under ‘Other Business’ included the following:

- Economic Impact Surveys – The benefit of understanding the value of motorsport within the community and regions was accepted and a copy of an ‘Economic Impact Survey Form’ will be distributed with the minutes to allow all Associations and their Clubs to start charting this benefit.
- Non Championship Stage Rally events – Given the expectations of managing the Rally Tracking system it was proposed that a list of these events is managed by each Regional Association and shared with the RCSG.
- Closed Roads – Kate Adamson drafted Guidelines which had been circulated. It was highlighted that early engagement with MSA was very important.

12. Several questions from delegates were raised under Any Other Business including:

- Stage Rally Arrival Time control procedures when there is a delay – review and clarification sought.
- Stage Rallies – identification for scrutineers who now attend stage starts.
- New CRM system has been delayed from the planned implementation date of May 2017.