



Chairman's Comments

This was the first meeting with Pete Weall as Chair.

Acknowledged the help and advice of Nicky Moffit, previous Chair with 38 years on Regional Committee.

Matters arising from previous meeting on 7 August 2019

D4.5.4 overtaken by RS Clubman licence and new wording in 2020 yearbook, allowing Clubman events in a Regional Championship.

Rally Future requirement for both Deputy Stage Commander and Stage Safety Officer to be present at the stage start was being reviewed.

Issues with items such as Revolution not being delivered to all members - Ian Davis had raised this with Communications team, and everyone should now be receiving these items.

Ambulance cover – has not moved forward, to be kept on the agenda. Noted that Medical Committee are looking at this.

Benefits of Competing in Motorsport UK Permitted Events

Track day operators are reported to be finding that they can't make money doing it the Motorsport UK way (on Untimed Speed Practice permits), and prefer to write their own rules rather than use the Blue Book.

This topic is not now thought to be as important as before, removed from the agenda.



Hugh Chambers - Chief Executive's Report

Response to Covid – furloughed more than a third of staff, then more in May. Salary cut for everyone else.

The move from Colnbrook to Bicester not yet signed, and is on hold'

Prime objective is to let the sport restart ASAP. Grassroots clubs are key.

Club continuity fund of £1M, free loans and grants. Good quality of applications received.

In conversation with Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS).

“As motorsport, we are not eligible for government funding” [in England].

John Ryan has produced “Guidance for re-establishing motorsport events” in which he considered 3 scenarios, taking in to account Government Advice, Motorsport UK advice, and Organiser Considerations

Scenario 1

- 2M social distancing
- no spectators
- one person per car so no PCA or rally

Scenario 2

- gatherings of less than 500 persons,
- limited spectators

Scenario 3

- Minimal restrictions.

Seemed a very thorough job, but we commented that there will be a rush to apply for permits as soon as restrictions are eased, and there needs to be some procedure to resolve date clashes.



Training - Sue Sanders

The Chair congratulated Sue on her appointment as Director of Training.

Learning Hub went live on web at end of March for officials, later for competitors and clubs, and soon (May) for marshals and Motorsport UK staff.

Interactive “train the trainer” webinars to follow.

James Betchley is “owner” of the hub for uploading material.

Survey questionnaires – different paths according to your role, you can answer for more than one role. Competitors questions are completely different from officials/marshals, you may get one of each.

Sport Promotion - Ian Berry

Ian Berry is working for Sue in Learning and Development, and before the meeting emailed a report on Sport Promotion since August.

Includes:

Engagement Programme:

22 days attending events such as BTCC, Autosport, WRGB, Classic Car Show, to raise the profile and meet the membership.

But all in England, all south of Manchester.

Commercial karting

Launched first ever British Indoor Kart Championship, in association with Teamsport, which has 36 tracks across the UK,

Heats, regional finals, and grand final, Classes by age for juniors, and by weight for adults.

Club Development Fund

Since August the Development fund has made six awards.

One in England – Goodwood Marshals Club

One to Manx Motor Racing Club

One in NI, to Larne Motor Club

And *three* in Scotland,

Scottish Motor Racing Club – simulator costs

Junior 1000 Ecosse - trailer

Disability Motorsport Scotland – test rig

Lock Horsburgh



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