

MINUTES OF 3rd ACU EASTERN COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE MEETING of 2018 HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16th MAY AT WALSHAM LE WILLOWS FOOTBALL CLUB

Mr P Armes; Mr A Penny; Mr E Wass; Mr J Hearn; Mr A Hay; Mr A Foskew; Mr C Cook; Mr C Ralph;
Ms L Berwick.

1. Mr Armes opened the meeting. There were no apologies for absence.
2. **PREVIOUS MINUTES:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 21st March were approved as a true record. Proposed C Cook 2nd A Foskew.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**

P Armes – Item 7 had contacted Mr Cook via email – no response to date.

PA Armes has obtained two tentative quotes for First aid Training. It appears likely that training could take place in at autumn.

Mr Hay reported that Red Cross cover was being centralised and it would appear that it would be more difficult to book them. He had used a private company for Lyng. C Ralph reported that Woodbridge use a private company which is also being employed by the Sudbury and Stowmarket Clubs.

4. **PERMITS AND FIXTURES:**

C Cook reported that the Braintree Trial on 7th July may not go ahead.

Norwich Vikings will run a Practice Day on Saturday 23rd June.

Woodbridge requested a date for a Trial on 23rd June – agreed.

Extra date 22nd July – Grass Track at Iken G W Racing – agreed.

1st July Chelmsford Trial being held under an Open permit not National.

5. **STEWARDS REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

8 th April Sudbury Enduro	J Hearn	Wet event. Venue switched to riders coped well with conditions.
Foxborough. 7 Youth		
Good event.		
18 th March N&SJMCC MX Gt Hockham	G Brace	Very Cold -1 degree. Warning requested by Steward. No machines. Some helmets stickers not applied. No signs to the venue.
signs not shown until scrutineer markings on not scrutineered and Programmes. No direction		
25 th March WDMCC ACUE Champ MX	J Nickerson	Very good event. A pleasure to attend.
8 th April EASCC Mildenhall	A Foskew	First Aid to be spread out more. Only one paramedic. Auto and 65cc pickups need to be around the circuit before the start.
Otherwise a well-		run event.
15 th April ACUE MX Champ Halstead	P Grantham	John Blyth informed P Grantham that he inspected the circuit in March 2018. sent TCC dated March 17. Although the the standard required, it had been needs to be re-inspected.
had Steward was track met altered and		

6. **SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Moto Cross: C Ralph reported that:

3 rounds of the ACU Eastern Championships have been held with full entries for all meetings.

The British Championship Maxxis event at Blaxhall went well and was well attended.

MX Sub committee are due to meet Monday 21st May where Stewards for the rest of the year will be appointed.

Grading will also be discussed with a possible 4 more riders to be promoted to expert status.

Proposal for the 2019 championship is the main item on the agenda. The aim is to be able to accept 200 riders but keep to 12 races still. When firm proposals are made, race secretaries and selected riders will be invited to a meeting which will be called within 2-3 weeks.

Sunday at Lyng ran well. The problems with the ACU online system had led to the Competitions Chair agreeing to allow an extra group to be taken as a one off. Racing ran from 9.15am to 5.40pm with no hold ups.

Mr Hay sought advice from the competitions committee on how to split the funds accrued from the extra riders. The sum of £1697 was earned by taking an extra group and Mr Hay did not wish to be seen to benefit from this.

Mr Hay requested that the competitions committee make the decision and two proposals were considered:

1: That the monies be split 6 ways with Norwich Vikings having 2/6 and the other 4 clubs 1/6 each – Proposed P Armes.

2. That Norwich Vikings kept the whole amount because they had lost revenue this year due to the weather. Proposed C Cook.

An open vote was taken with proposal 1 receiving 5 votes and Proposal 2 receiving 3 votes.

Mr Hay did not vote.

Mr Hay had been approached by a team sponsor on the subject of current championship leaders bearing a red plate provided by the sponsor with no cost to the Centre. To be discussed at Monday evening's committee. There were no objections and if agreed, could be placed in the championship rules for 2019.

Timing Clock- now in use and working well.

C Cook asked if Braintree could use the clock at Stisted. Ms Berwick will liaise with A Smith regarding this.

Youth MX –

No updates received. Noted that the club had been left with a lot of rubbish to clear at a Gt Hockham meeting. Rubbish had also been a big problem after a MX Kids event at Mildenhall.

Trials:

C Cook – reported that the Trials Committee had met recently and re-arranged some dates and also discussed some changes to the 2019 Championship rules.

Grasstrack:

A Foskew reported that: Eastern Centre Grass Track Championship was run on 13th May 2018 by 500 cc Sidecar Association at Hylands House.

The weather tried it hardest to spoil the party by having heavy overnight rain however it was a very good event with a good attendance with no serious injuries finished at 5.00pm went without any issues at all.

The provisional winners of all groups are as follows

Auto Cadet Ollie Bines

Cadet Thomas Vining –From Guernsey

Junior Cameron Taylor

Inters Jake Mulford

Centre Championship Classes to be confirmed by Sub Committee at a later date

250cc Solo Charlie Brooks

350cc Solo Mark Giles

500cc Solo Alex Davies

Uprights Solo Stephen Green

GT 140 Solo Adam Shipp

500cc Sidecar Simon Beard /Anthony Goodwin

1000cc Sidecar Colin Blackburn/Liam Brown

C Cook stated that the G/T rules need clarification as there is only one championship meeting and the current rules do not reflect this.

There was a discrepancy regarding the result of the 500cc Class. J Sayer to confirm.

Enduro:

J Hearn had produced a current championship standings list after two rounds of the solo championship. One error noted by A Foskew on Clubmans results – P Hunt scored 13 points.

Blaxhall host the next round on 10th June with a Sprint event. ACU online entries open. Approx. 60 riders entered to date.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Ms Berwick advised the committee that Drew Kemp, a Woodbridge member, will be riding in the Under 19s British Speedway Championship final at Foxhall on 17th May.

A Hay – re devolution of the MX subcommittee. P Armes asked for this to be placed on September agenda together with a review of the Trials Committee devolution.

P Armes – Steward's passes, had not been issued as yet because of all the work that GDPR had caused. Some were handed out to those present. Mr Armes will deal with these as soon as possible.

GDPR – Paul Sewter had sent out a compliance form for the website which Ms Berwick had forwarded to the Board Circulation list.

Mr Armes will shortly be sending out a similar compliance form for the Gazette. The next Gazette could have some details blanked out if the necessary permissions are not received in time for the next print run.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm

Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 12th July 2018 at Stanway Village Hall commencing at 8pm