

East Midlands Association of Motor Clubs Ltd
Minutes of the Delegates Meeting held on Tuesday 11th October 2016 at 20:00

Present:

Phil Foster (Chairman), Craig Bellworthy (Vice Chairman), David James (Secretary), Guy Robinson (Treasurer), Steve Flanagan & Peter Butler (Stage Rally Championship), Craig Burgess (Road Rally Championship), Dennis Turner (Awards Secretary), Karen Spencer (Marshals Training Officer), Howard Wilcock (FLO), Tania Brown (RDO), Alan Page (MSA)

Delegates from the following Member Clubs

Clowne & DMC, Dukeries MC, Eastwood DMC, HRCR, Lincoln MCC, Lindholme MSC, Matlock MC, Mercia MS, Mid-Derbyshire MC, North Humberside MC, Notts SCC, Peterborough MC, Sheffield & Hallamshire MC, Worksop DMC.

1. Apologies

Karen Spencer (Marshals Training Officer/Press Officer), Nigel Evans (RLO), Chris Faulkner (RLO and Carlton & DMC), Henry Simkin (RREMC), Mike Vokes (Knutsford DMC), Steve Newman (Blackbird AC)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting (12th July)/Matters Arising

Proposed Notts SCC, seconded Eastwood. Agreed.

Matters arising:

Lindholme's letter: To be taken under any other business.

3. Applications for Membership

None.

4. Chairman's Report – Phil Foster

The Chairman welcomed Alan Page, Training Executive at the MSA.

There had been a Regional Committee meeting in August:

- RallyFuture – now an on-going programme
- Stage Rally vehicle tracking – to be in place for January 2017. 4 championships initially (BRC, BHRC, British Asphalt, and Scottish) will have the MSA tracking system. Competitors will have to fit a cradle (approx. £90) with a per-event fee of approx. £54 (including VAT). Cradles to be in place for scrutineering. Expected to apply to all multi-venue events in 2018.
- Safety Car training – workshops taking place.
- Assistance to clubs – grant aid from BMSTT. To stage rallies up to £900 for tape and notices A, B, and C (on up to 75% basis)
- Club and Volunteer of the Year awards – on-line application by the end of this week.
- Inter Association events: EMAMC won the Inter-Association Road Rally. We host the Inter-Association Road Rally in 2017.

5. MSA Guest – Alan Page

Alan said he comes from this area. He is a member of Loughborough CC.

His area of work at the MSA has been heavily concentrated on RallyFuture. A decision is still awaited from the Lord Advocate. 30 recommendations emerged from the Scottish Government Motor Sport Safety Review. 26 have been implemented so far. Expect to implement 29 by Christmas. RallyFuture is based around training. There will be a new issue of the Rally Safety Requirements in the New Year.

David Baugh asked for clarity and better separation between requirements for multi-venue and single venue events.

Tracking: Howard Wilcock questioned why the fee is the same for a 1-day and a 3-day event – a competitor doing a 1-day event is subsidizing the professionals doing a 3-day event.

Rally and Cross-Country accreditation scheme for marshals. This is the first time the MSA has engaged with on-line training. At 10th October, 5497 people have started the on-line training and 4800 have completed it. In December 2015 there were just over 2000 marshals known to the MSA; there are now 3803. The scheme allows a non-accredited person to be placed with an accredited marshal.

John Hickling said that at Mallory Park, Eastwood DMC had 73 marshals on the ground with 63% of those accredited.

Marshals recognition packs are to be posted at end of November/early December – new tabard (with pockets, pen pockets, plastic window for marshals card). It is one size. Red pen and green pen, whistle on lanyard, hand warmer, ½ litre flask.

Marshals benefits package to be worked on.

MSA Strategic Review is being worked on by the Directors.

Alan Dean-Lewis now retired and now Secretary of the BMSTT.

Jonathan Day has replaced Alan Dean-Lewis.

Kate Adamson Director of Safety.

John Ryan Technical Director.

Race and respect campaign – respect of competitors by officials and vice versa.

Dare to be different – MSA/Suzy Wolf's organization.

Training Day submissions – by end of September.

Clerks of Course Seminars in February, March, and April 2017. 4 March Northallerton, 5 March Peterborough, 19 March Telford.

Club Stewards – training for them is a possibility. Howard Wilcock pointed out that people are time-poor; they don't want to go to training.

Avenue for single-discipline Stewards to be appointed.

Break at 21:10

Meeting restarted at 21:45

Marshals accreditation – on-line, or sessions with a number of laptops, or a non-online version has been sent to training instructors.

Rally4Wales – agreement has been reached between MSA, NRW, and Rally4Wales. Rally4Wales will undertake repairs. Anticipate holding charges constant for 3 years.

Howard Wilcock asked how organisers can contact registered and accredited marshals. Alan said the Licensing department will give a subset for a list of target post codes to event organisers onrequest.

Steve Flanagan asked how does RallyFuture apply to single venue rallies.

David Baugh commented that rally Clerk of the Course training is not fit for purpose. Alan said that they are reviewing training modules, but holding back on the rally CofC modules as they must fir the Rally Safety Requirements.

6. Secretary's Report – David James

Please respond to the request for 2017 event dates as soon as possible.

Please respond to the request for updated Club contact details by the end of November – this information is required for the Year Book.

7. Treasurer's Report – Guy Robinson

The only subscription outstanding is West Essex CC.

8. Championships Update:

8.1 Stage Rally Championship – Steve Flanagan

101 contenders, 54 co-drivers and 50 drivers scoring points.

In the days of paper regulations, there was a championship requirement to send regulations to championship contenders 3 days ahead of general distribution. Steve is asking organisers to publicise to championship contenders when entries will open.

Discussion about inability of EMAMC championship contenders to secure entries to the NHMC Cadwell Stages (which filled in just over an hour after opening of entries).

8.2 Road Rally Championship – Craig Burgess

49 contenders. Last round was the Mercian.

The Mercian on 16/17 September 2017 will be the Inter-Association Road Rally. Steve brew thanked Craig and the Executive for putting the Mercian forward.

The Jackson trophy was cancelled, but Craig expects a date for it in 2017. So 6 out of 7 rounds will count.

Last event is the Dansport on 19th November.

Out of 12 awards, 5 are still undecided.

9. MSA Officers Reports

9.1 Forestry Liaison Officer – Howard Wilcock

Very little to say. The application forms for 2017 have been issued. There is one allocation for Twyford Wood.

9.2 RLO Reports:

Rob Bateman (RLO Staffs and Peak District National Park) – No report

Glyn Byard (RLO Notts and Derbyshire) – No report

Chris Faulkner (RLO Leicestershire & Rutland) – Nothing to report

Nigel Evans (RLO Northamptonshire) – (by email)

“Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire seem to have become busier, mainly with 12 car rallies being organised for the autumn, but they, in general don't cause any problems provided that stage rally cars are not using them as road tests.

The Mercian Road Rally came and went and had an entry of 40 cars, most of which were very quiet and hence there were no problems at all. But there haven't been any problems in my area for for years.

So, again nothing much to report.”

10. Other Officers Reports

10.1 Awards Officer – Dennis Turner

Next Annual Dinner on 28 January 2017. Need trophies returning by 30th November.

10.2 Marshals' Training Officer – Karen Spencer

No report.

10.3 Press Officer – Karen Spencer

No report.

10.4 RDO – Tania Brown

Nothing to report.

11. Election of Championship Registrars

Stage Rally: Stave Flanagan,

Road Rally: Craig Burgess.

Proposed by Eastwood and DMC, seconded by Dukeries MC. Agreed

12. Any other business

12.1 Lindholme letter

Email from Coalville:

“While we are generally in favour of what LMSC are proposing there are some points that we feel need to be answered before a formal proposal could be supported:

1. What is the annual turnover and general liability of the Association against the reserves? What ratio would be considered prudent to be retained? e.g. 3 year's reserve.

2. Would the fund give direct support to events? or would it help with unsecured and interest free loans to help 'seed' events? For example helping with Venue fees or deposits that have to be paid well in advance of events.

3. How would the Fund be administered? By the Association Executive Committee?

4. Direct Funding of Marshal and Safety Training would seem to be a 'no brainer' and additional support for marshals also seems good, over and above the Annual award. maybe a Monthly award as well? or awards across other motorsport disciplines, like Road Rally, PCA and so on; as well as stage rallies.”

The Lindholme letter is to be discussed at ANEMMC on Monday.

Steve Brew said that regarding a marshals' championship, it would be better to get an imperfect system running rather than agonizing over a perfect system.

12.2 Len Fowkes – his wife has applied to be a Safeguarding Officer. He would like the list of approved document checkers.

13. Next Delegates' Meeting:

Tuesday 10th January 2017.

Meeting closed at 22:50

David James, Secretary EMAMC Ltd

2017 Calendar of E.M.A.M.C. Meeting Dates (to be confirmed)

10th Jan	Delegates
14th Mar	Executive
11th Apr	AGM/Delegates
9th May	Executive
11th Jul	Delegates
12th Sep	Executive
10th Oct	Delegates/Championship Registrar Elections
14th Nov	Executive

Directions to the venue for the next meeting

At the M1 Junction 29 roundabout, take the Palterton turn off (1st exit if travelling S on M1, 4th exit if travelling N on M1) for 100 metres, then take first left leading to Hotel entrance.

Tel 08456 589959 or 01246 855455

EMAMC website links

Club details form (please use to advise of changes to club officials):

http://www.emamc.org.uk/downloads/Club_Details.doc

2016 Dates submission form: <http://www.emamc.org.uk/downloads/EMAMCDateapplicationform2016.doc>

2017 Dates submission form: <http://www.emamc.org.uk/downloads/EMAMCDateapplicationform2017.doc>

Draft 2016 Calendar: http://www.emamc.org.uk/dates/index_dates_2016.html

Draft 2017 Calendar: http://www.emamc.org.uk/dates/index_dates_2017.html

Forthcoming dates

Nominations for EMAMC Special Awards (Silver Jubilee Award, Bell Leisure Marshals Award, John Wheatley Memorial Trophy) – to EMAMC Secretary by 30th November.

Annual Dinner – 28 January 2017

Nominations for 2017 MSA Club of the Year – to EMAMC Secretary by the end of August 2017

Nominations for 2017 MSA Marshal of the Year – to EMAMC Secretary by the end of August 2017

Dates for events in 2018 – to EMAMC Secretary by 20th October 2017