

East Midlands Association of Motor Clubs Ltd
Minutes of the Delegates Meeting held on Tuesday 9th October 2019 at 20:00

Present:

Phil Foster (Chairman), David James (Secretary), Steve Flanagan (Stage Rally Championship), Craig Burgess (Road Rally Championship), Dennis Turner (Awards Secretary), Glyn Byard (RLO), John Ryan (Motorsport UK).

Delegates from the following Member Clubs

BARC (Midlands), Carlton & DMC, Eastwood DMC, HRCR, Lincoln MCC, Lindholme MSC, Mid-Derbyshire MC, Mini Cross UK, North Humberside MC, Sheffield & Hallamshire MC, Stockport 061 MC, Worksop & DMC.

1. Apologies

Ian James (Treasurer), Guy Robinson (previous Treasurer), Nigel Evans (RLO), Gerry Blyth (RLO), Howard Wilcock (FLO), Mike Hurst (Middlesex County AC), Paul Barratt (Chelmsford MC), Lee Burgess (Mid-Derbyshire MC).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting (9th July 2019)/Matters Arising

Correction to minutes of the July meeting: in the 3rd bullet point of the Chairman's report "dares" should be "dates"

Proposed Sheffield & Hallamshire MC, seconded Eastwood DMC. Agreed.

Matters arising: Chairman's report, 1st bullet point – we host the Inter-Association Autosolo event in 2020 – we'd like our competitors to "go up the ladder" to National B Autotest/Autosolos.

3. Applications for membership

White Rose Motor Club – Stuart Taylor present and told the meeting that the proposed new club would cover the area of Scarborough, Filey, Bridlington, and the Wolds. This covers a population of about 100,000 people and there are currently no 4-wheel motorsport clubs covering that area.

The proposed new club currently has 28 members including safeguarding officer, licensed Clerks of Course and Scrutineers.

Oliver's Mount, Scarborough is coming back to availability and they are discussing a hill climb there.

They have autocross and autotest venues.

Two of the members have been the CofC and Deputy CofC on Malton MC's White Rose Classic Rally.

Proposal to accept White Rose MC as members of EMAMC (conditional on their becoming Motorsport UK recognized): proposed Worksop DMC, seconded Sheffield & Hallamshire MC. Agreed.

4. Chairman's Report – Phil Foster

Regional Committee met on 7 August.

Items from the meeting:

- Don't forget there are still grants available from the Safety and the Club development Funds. Talk to Ian Berry at Motorsport UK in the first instance.
- D 4.5.4 – clubsport events. For the Donington Autosolos (starting in November) we need to report the numbers of competitors in each round to Ian Davis (organizing clubs to report number to Phil for him to pass on, please)
- R-GT cars – homologated cars are eligible (according to the FIA)
- A question from the floor on the impact of Brexit – John Ryan replied that carnets and medical insurance for competitors would be required. Motorsport UK (Ian Davis and in-house lawyer) has attended a meeting with DCMS (the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport) in the last few days. Motorsport UK will publish guidance. There is a meeting with other ASNs next week – this will talk about "EU nationals" on NEAFP events.
- Items from the CEO
 - Nominations committee is David Richards (Motorsport UK Chairman), Tom Purvis (MSC Chairman), Hugh Chambers (CEO), Nicki Moffitt (former Regional Committee Chairman), Ben Cousins (Director of RAC and Motorsport UK)
 - Changes to governance – Adverts have been issued for members of the Board, Council, and Specialist Committees. Terms of office will be closely monitored to a maximum of three 3-year terms with a possible extension for a further 2 years. Many current members breach this maximum term and it will be relaxed for 2020 with approx.. 80% retained. Succession planning is on-going for 2021. 260 places, only 165 applicants.
 - Phil has been accepted as the member of Council representing England (Midlands region).
 - Looking at relocating from Colnbrook in the summer of 2020. Temporary accommodation whilst new permanent building is built. Current favourite location is Bicester (Heritage) Motion.

- WRGB – contract with Welsh Assembly Government is until 2021. Moves to look at possible relocation for 2021. WAG not averse to those discussions. Front-runner is Northern Ireland. Also discussions about rotation around the UK.
- Training
 - Marshals and officials Renewal letters have been sent out
 - The grading scheme has changed.
 - All new officials will have to do module 1 (on-line) – to be released this month.
 - Carlton DMC raised an issue with “Timing” grade on Rally Marshal’s registrations – they have 4 individuals who requested this grade. 3 refused, 1 granted. Still being pursued. CDMC to let Phil know what the outcome is.
 - “Club Stewards” will probably be renamed “Event Stewards”.
 - 2020 is club officials’ seminars starting end of January/beginning of February. Questionnaire to come out shortly. Scrutineers seminars starting in January. Also planning to have Clerks and Stewards at half a day at the Scrutineers’ Seminars. John Ryan now back in charge of Safety.
- Sprints/Hill Climbs – a proposed new regulation (S 1.2.4) requiring a third Clerk of the Course as sent back to the Specialist Committee by the Regional Committee.
- Inter-Association events:
 - Autosolo – EMAMC at Donington
 - Road Rally – ANEMMC
- Closed road events – to date: 10 in England, 4 in Scotland, 3 in Wales. Six of these were full tarmac closed road events, the others used sections of closed roads to join forest stages together.
- Regional Committee Chairman: Peter Weall, Vice-Chairman: Chris Woodcock

Break at 21:16

Restart at 21:40

5. **Secretary’s Report – David James**

Request for 2020 dates has been sent out. This year’s is an on-line form, not the Word document of previous years.

6. **Treasurer’s Report – Ian James taking over from Guy Robinson**

The handover from Guy to Ian is still proceeding slowly.

7. **MSA Guest – John Ryan**

John is Motorsport UK’s Technical Director – responsible for all things technical: officials, competitors, manufacturers.

Much work on-going on cost of motorsport, for example, lifing of seats and harnesses; there has been a two-year extension on seats and a five-year extension on six-point 2016 standard harnesses. Working with FIA on ten-year lifing. Identifying key issues on seats and harnesses – main problem is fitting and mountings.

Looking at non-destructive testing of composite seats. John commented that the build quality of cheap steel-framed seats is frighteningly poor.

Looking at accident data recorders for cars.

Some discussion with the attendees about recording usage of, for example, seats and harnesses – a central database?

A survey has been done of 10% of licence holders – across the board, competitors’ highest cost is tyres. In karting, bar coding of tyres has been introduced to limit the cost of tyres

Discussion with the attendees on tyres and E-marking.

John Hickling whether there would be any relaxation of the rules on hybrid rally cars (like Andy Burton’s) which were banned by the K 37 revision about 10 years ago.

Electric vehicles: production and non-production cars. A training module (EV1) is now available. Several modules are being developed. Will not allow electric vehicles into forests.

Steve Flanagan asked about fire extinguishers: Steve said there is nothing particularly different about fire extinguisher materials. Why is the required capacity different from industry standard extinguishers which cost approx. 25% of the cost of motorsport extinguishers?

8. **Championships Update:**

8.1 **Stage Rally Championship – Steve Flanagan**

102 registrations.

The Harold Palin Memorial Rally at Fulbeck was cancelled due to lack of entries. It clashed with WRGB, and the date change of Dukeries Donington event did not help.

8.2 **Road Rally Championship – Craig Burgess**

35 registered coontenders.

Knutsford Targa Rally didn't run due to a lack of an organizing team. The Dansport was cancelled – again lack of organisers. 1 round to go: the Beaver Rally which is also the Inter-Association Road Rally event. The best 5 out of 6 rounds will now count. Some of the positions are already won. The Twyford Targa is being observed. MDMC is running an autosolo pn the same weekend.

9. Motorsport UK Officers Reports

9.1 Forestry Liaison Officer – Howard Wilcock

By email: I have nothing specific to report as FLO.

9.2 RLO Reports:

Rob Bateman (RLO Staffordshire and Peak District National Park)

No report

Nigel Evans (RLO Northamptonshire, Leicestershire & Rutland)

By email: I won't be able to attend the meeting tomorrow night as we are having a considerable amount of building work done on our house.

Just to let you know The GB Rally Prep Mercian Road Rally went very well, albeit with just 28 entries. It was run by an eclectic mix of young and "older" members of a large organising team, needed these days of increased legislation. The only problem was a man who threw himself onto the bonnet of one of the later cars. He didn't appear drunk, wasn't hurt and didn't complain, but just disappeared after a couple of minutes. However, I was able to solve another similar problem not associated to The Mercian. Competitors on recent 12 car rallies have come across an irate local brandishing a baseball bat and then also disappearing without complaining. Whilst PR ing I spoke to many of the locals and it appears that they don't mind the bigger events, because they get told, but 12 car rallies run during the week are labeled as "boy racers" as they aren't PR ed.

I am now looking at some PPring on 12 car events and also explaining the complexity of trying to use RUPPs on this level of event.

All together this year I have had or have got requests from 25 clubs for 44 events.

Glyn Byard (RLO Notts and Derbyshire)

53 events approved, 7 to process.

Rally of the Tests in November is using Daley Moor. This needs an RTA section 33 approval. It has been approved with no charge using the same procedures that Stockport 061 used.

The Edinburgh Trial was charged under RTA section 14.

Any clubs wanting an RTA section 33 approval from Derbyshire County Council should contact Glyn first, before contacting the County Council.

10. Other Officers Reports

10.1 Awards Officer – Dennis Turner

The annual dinner is on 25th January 2020.

Dennis needs trophies returning.

10.2 Marshals' Training Officer – Karen Spencer

No report.

10.3 Press Officer – Karen Spencer

No report.

11. Election of Championship Registrars

Road Rally: Craig Burgess, proposed Sheffield & Halllamsire MC, seconded Stockport 061 MC. Agreed.

Stage Rally: We have a volunteer: Paul Rees from Dukeries MC (who is unable to attend tonight's meeting). He has a number of ideas for the championship which will be discussed by the Executive.

Proposal to elect Paul, subject to the Executive's approval of his policies at their next meeting: proposed Carlton DMC, seconded Matlock MC. Agreed

12. Any other business

Howard Wilcock (Dukeries MC/FLO, by email): Please accept my apologies for not attending tonight's meeting. I did want to come but I am fully committed to completing all the preparations for the 60th Dukeries Rally this weekend. We have a 80 car entry but even for the 60th anniversary of the Dukeries Rally it has been difficult to attract sufficient marshals. We have got there, but we would always welcome more. If anyone is interested there is still time to register via the event website or e-mail the Chief Marshal. Everyone

welcome...! Yes, it clashes with Mull and it is a week after Rally GB but is still tight. I am sure other events will also be feeling the pinch. There is also a reduction in the number of marshals at many race meetings.

Mike Hurst (Middlesex County AC, by email): We have been trying to run an event at Rockingham but to no avail. The good news is we are planning a major Rally for next year.

Paul Barrett (Chelmsford MC, by email): Our only significant piece of news is the inclusion of the Corbeau Seats Rally Tendring & Clacton in the British Rally Championship. We are also offering support to an East Midlands club for a closed road rally in Lincolnshire, probably during 2021.

Len Fowkes (Lindholme MSC) will safeguarding be included in the 2020 training programme? John Ryan to update us after the meeting.

Ash Chapman (Mid-Derbyshire MC): thanks to John Ryan for his attendance and information.

Phil Foster (Chairman): There will be an on-line training module for co-drivers, This will be voluntary.

13. Next Delegates' Meeting:

Tuesday 14th January 2020 at 20:00.

Meeting closed at 23:25

David James, Secretary EMAMC Ltd

2020 Calendar of E.M.A.M.C. Meeting Dates (to be confirmed)

14 th Jan	Delegates
10 th Mar	Executive
14 th Apr	AGM/Delegates
12 th May	Executive
14 th Jul	Delegates
8 th Sep	Executive
13 th Oct	Delegates/Championship Registrar Elections
10 th 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

Regional Rally Timekeepers List – please check the EMAMC Rally Timekeepers List (at https://emamc.org.uk/index_timekeepers.shtml and let me know of any corrections, deletions or desired additions).

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

https://emamc.org.uk/downloads/Club_Details.doc

2020 Dates submission form – <https://emamc.org.uk/2020.php>

Event dates for 2020 – please check the draft 2020 Calendar at

https://emamc.org.uk/dates/index_dates_2020.html and let me know of any corrections.

Forthcoming dates

Annual Dinner – 25 January 2020

Nominations for 2020 Motorsport UK Club of the Year – to EMAMC Secretary by the end of August 2020

Nominations for 2020 Motorsport UK Marshal of the Year – to EMAMC Secretary by the end of August 2020

Dates for events in 2021 – to EMAMC Secretary by 17th October 2020

Nominations for EMAMC Special Awards (Silver Jubilee Award, Bell Leisure Marshals Award, John Wheatley Memorial Trophy) – to EMAMC Secretary by 30th November 2020.