



ASSOCIATION OF WEST MIDLAND MOTOR CLUBS

MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7th Aug 2018

Present:

Dave Cooper (Chairman)

John Arnold (Secretary)

Ian Jarrett (Training Officer)

Kevin Witton (V Chairman & Treasurer)

Bob Bud (Autotest Championship Secretary)

Bryn Pound (Go Motorsport)

Delegates from the following clubs:

Aston Martin OC

Boundless by CSMA

BRMC

BRSCC

BTRDA

CMSGCC

Cov & Warks MC

Dowty MC

Hagley & District

Mercia Motorsports

MGCC - Midlands

Midland AC

Midland Manor MC

Rugby MC

Warwickshire Drivers

1. Apologies

Dave Lucas (RLO)

Devizes & DMC

Epynt MC

Falcon MC

Stockport 061

WSSCC

2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated to all member clubs were signed.

Proposed by Dave Nursey and seconded by Bill Pardoe

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising

4. Correspondence

All clubs are requested to furnish Kevin Witton with their latest email addresses as all correspondence will only be circulated electronically.

(a) MSA - MSA - Minutes from MSA Committees, Regional Committee & Press Releases

(b) MSA - Scrutineers bulletins

(c) MSA - various bulletins and press releases that are forwarded to clubs and posted on website

(d) MSA News

(e) MSA Training Event details

(f) Other regional association minutes

(g) Nominations for Club/Volunteer of the Year to be forwarded as soon as possible

(h) Latest details from BMSTT re Development/Rescue/Safety

5. New Clubs/Official changes/Date changes

New Club - Square Wheels MC proposed Dave Nursey, seconded Cyril Loman

6. Championship reports:

Autotest - 11 contenders registered with 7 events now run. Malcolm Livingstone leading from Dave Evans.

Road Rally - As we could not find anyone willing to run the championship for 2018 it is not running. **Anyone interested in organising the Road Rally Championship in 2019 please make contact with either John Arnold or Dave Cooper.**

Stage Rally - As reported at the last meeting, Dave Cooper is running the points side of the championship for the rest of the year but is unable to attend events. Current leaders after 4 events are Nick Baker & Richard Mason. If you want to see the championship continue next year then we must have a co-ordinator - **anyone interested in organising the Stage Rally Championship in 2019 please make contact with either John Arnold or Dave Cooper.**

Car Trial - No report presented. Unfortunately the Gaby Moor (WSSCC) will not be running.

Inter Association events:

AutoSolo	Won by ANWCC	AutoTest	AWMMC came 4th
Road Rally	AEMC TBC	Car Trial	ACSMC TBC
Sporting Trial	ASEMC 4 Nov		

7. RDO Report

(a) Coventry MotoFest had been a success with 1300 rides given from which 114 clubs were emailed with details of people who were interested in joining a local club

(b) MSA coaching sessions were starting in Autumn run by Gregg Symes

8. Training Officer Report

(a) As there was much to be discussed under this heading, the Training Officers report is added at the end of these minutes.

9. Regional Committee & Rallies Committee

Regional

- GDPR update
- Training report
- GoMotorsport report with 2 new RDOs
- Update on Rally Future
- Update of closed road events
- Update on VNUK
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Rallies

- Yellow flags on stage events changed to Red from 1 July 18

10. Treasurer's Report

Bank balance of £13670 with a few clubs still to pay for this year.

11. Yearbook

All club details etc will soon be requested to the editor for 2019

12. Any Other Business

(a) The future of the Awards Night was discussed and general consensus was that we need something in order to keep the championships alive but at the same time we also need an organiser. It was decided that for this year only Dave Cooper would organise event - to be held at the Bromsgrove Golf Centre on 18 Jan 2019.

(b) Event dates to be submitted to John Arnold preferably before the next meeting.

The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 6th November 2018. The meeting will start at 7:45pm and be held at the Bromsgrove Golf and Conference Centre, B60 1LD. MSA Race & Speed Executive, Cheryl Lynch will be attending.

Training Officer Report

Training Officer reported on a meeting of all Regional Association Training Officers called by the MSA Training Executive on 31st May. The meeting took the form of a workshop and was intended to explore the way Motor Sports Training is organised and delivered in the Regions and to identify ways that better co-ordinated promotion and delivery can be achieved.

All delegates gave a short presentation on the situation in their respective region.

In summary the following was reported for AWMMC:

- Rally Marshal Training is aligned with the BRMC training days in the Midlands and Wales
- Speed events such arrange training days at the speed venues as required
- Race Circuits/Clubs arrange training via at their home circuits
- Rescue specialisms delivered via Jim Whitaker
- Noted that there is little co-operation between training disciplines.
- Events are detailed via the BMSTT list on MSA site.

Discussion at the workshop centred around expanding the role and remit of Association Training Officers engaging them into direct communication with the MSA Training Executive.

From this they will in effect become Regional Training Officers (RTO). This would enable better co-ordination of delivery. In addition there was a suggestion that RTO's could take a more active role in collating details of training events in their area and promoting cross discipline attendance where common elements such as Fire or First on Scene elements were included. There was also a suggestion from the workshop that boundaries for areas of responsibility should be set for RTO's perhaps based on RLO boundaries to address the large membership spread in some regions.

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Following the Training Officer's report there was much debate regarding the way forward. Some concern was expressed that Regions would lose the facility to choose their own Training Officer. IJ reported this is not the case, Regions will still elect or nominate their Training Officer however the proposal is that the incumbent will need to fulfil a wider role in the region in relation to promotion and co-ordination and feed into MSA overall auditing of training.

Concern was raised about setting boundaries for the area of responsibility to strictly based on RLO areas. It was also suggested that clubs who are members of more than one region could declare a 'home association' for reporting on training. It was also suggested that determining these issues may be better undertaken after the appointment of the MSA Head of Training and Education.

The AWMMC does not however wish to appear to hinder progress and welcomes the suggestions for expanding the role of the RTO in co-ordination and promoting training within the region and other areas. To this end it was resolved that the proposal for Training Officers selected by the region to act as RTO's in conjunction with the MSA Training Executive should be supported. To facilitate this initiative a 'Training page' will be added to the web site and all member clubs will be encouraged to notify the RTO of their Training events and advertise and promote via this facility.