

## **EASTERN CENTRE OF THE AUTO-CYCLE UNION**

**MINUTES** for the second Trials Committee meeting of the **EASTERN CENTRE 2014**, held at **The Parish Room, Gt Blakenham, Ipswich, Suffolk on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2014** commencing at **8pm**

### **Present**

C Dopson (Chairman), K Hood, P Fenn, E Hood, P Nash, J Douglas, and Mrs B Douglas

Apologies from D Cordle, N Ogden and M Neale

1. Chairman opened meeting and received apologies for absences as above.
2. Minutes of the previous meetings on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 read out and discussed.
3. Matters arising from the minutes not specifically listed on this agenda.  
K Hood asked if we could have 1 member from each club able to upload items on the web site so we can move forward with the entry lists being put on web site. Discussed. K Hood to ask Paul Sewter if this is possible and if so to arrange.
4. Stewards
  - a) C Dopson asked for all members of the committee to respond to emails and to review the steward's reports when sent out.
  - b) List of Stewards discussed. New stewards needed. Clerk of the Course to be asked if they would like to be Stewards to increase numbers.
  - c) Steward's form discussed. Some changes to be made. Item G not needed, item H youth only,
  - d) Risk Assessments, riders list and environment form should all be given to Stewards when they attend a meeting.
  - e) Stewards should be sent to Centre Championship rounds and any event when requested.
5. Review of recent trials. P Fenn reported the number of entries at the recent sidecar round was not enough to allow it to count as a championship round. Discussed. It was decided the number of sidecars for a championship round should be reduced.
6. Any changes to the calendar. Woodbridge has asked for 26<sup>th</sup> July and Lowestoft asked for 6<sup>th</sup> September both are extra dates. Agreed.
7. MSA Go Motorsport Day. The Centre has been asked to attend the MSA Go Motorsport day at Snetterton on 19<sup>th</sup> October. Discussed. It was agreed to ask TP Off Road Sport and Oset motorcycles dealers if they would like to go to represent trials sport. Mrs B Douglas to ask TP and P Nash to ask Oset.
8. How to increase number of youth at trials. It was agreed to ask members at Forum about increasing number of youth entries.
9. Trials Committee.
  - a) How is devolution working? Some members are attending and some are not, need to show commitment for this to go forward.
  - b) How to run in 2015? Continue as we are as it seems to be working, with a vice chairman who would be chairman elect for 2016 and would be proposed to Competition Committee 2015.

- c) How to run in 2016? Members are prepared to keep this running with members prepared to take on the chairman position if needed. Format of elections to Trials Committee to be agreed with Competitions Committee before Trials Forum

**10. Trials Forum**

- a) Date for Forum to be Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 8pm at Gt Blakenham Parish Rooms. To be advertised on web site, in gazettes and announced at trials events.
- b) Agenda items – looking at combining classes for 2016 to encourage larger entry.
- c) To have all dates for 2015/16 and to discuss any clashes and resolve.

**11. Any Other Business**

P Fenn said we are still short of a Steward for Lowestoft trial at Corton on 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.45pm.