

Moto Cross Sub Committee Meeting held at Walsham Le Willows F C on
Monday 12th January 2017

Present: C Ralph; L Berwick: A Hay: K Weavers; P Hubbard; J Blyth; P Grantham: D Mills: A Hopkins:
P Aldridge

By invitation: J Hearn: A Foskew

1. Mr Ralph opened the meeting and welcomed all those present.
2. Apologies were accepted from: J Morland: M Relland
3. The minutes of the previous meeting held 17th October 2016 were approved. Proposed A Foskew:
2nd J Hearn
4. Matters Arising:
Mr Weavers reported that all was good for Halstead Club to continue at Wakes Colne for the next year although the cost has risen considerably. Mr weavers emphasised that riders must adhere to the rules regarding taking due care whilst driving through the yard. The owners have indicated that he wants to the club to continue using the land.
Ms Berwick has written to John Chambers thanking him for the financial input to the Hole Shot award.
Blue Flags -: Woodbridge, N Vikings and Halstead have their own: Littleport and Diss do not – centre will purchase.
Transponder issue: This has been put into court – first offer of £90 was rejected by Centre and Mr Maclaren is now defending the claim. No paperwork has been received to date: arbitration has been offered.
Same rider plus one other have been called to a court of inquiry following another incident in S E Centre – both have been suspended.
C Ralph reported that the format of the 2017 Championship has been agreed. S Goggins has provided a current expert list and confirmed that riders finishing in the top 10 of the BYN are automatically classed as expert riders. All seven rounds have been confirmed with all to count.
Youth MX – Norfolk and Suffolk Juniors will run this year and have forwarded their dates to P Armes – there are no clashes with adult only meetings.
MX 2 Expert trophy – will be provided by Woodbridge & DMCC Ltd.
5. Election of Officers:
The meeting was handed to J Hearn to conduct the election of officers for Chairman: Vice Chairman and secretary:
Chair – C Ralph proposed by K Weavers 2nd P Hubbard – no other nominees. C Ralph accepted the post.
Vice Chair – A Hay was proposed and 2nd – agreed to continue.
Secretary: L Berwick proposed A Foskew 2nd D Mills – accepted and agreed.
Committee as follows:
Diss: P Hubbard and A Hopkins
Woodbridge: J Blyth and C Ralph
Halstead: K Weavers and M Relland
Littleport: P Grantham and D Mills
Norwich Vikings: A Hay and P Aldridge.
J Morland – Riders representative.
6. Stewards Appointments:
P Armes had requested names to be provided:
2nd April Blaxhall J Nickerson: 16th April Halstead D Mills: 23rd April Mildenhall G Garrod: 21st May Wattisfield Hall J Nickerson: 28th May Blaxhall P Grantham: 4th June Stisted C Garrod: 25th June Lyng
J Blyth and S Leek (probationary).

7. Sponsorship update:

C Ralph reported that H M Boilers, Simon Eastwell had agreed to put in £1000. A new holeshot board will need to be made.

C Ralph will email all clubs with details for the programmes and website.

Paul Bickers has agreed to sponsor the Championship which will named Bickers Lifting. He has pledged £2000 and has asked that Max Bickers has an entry to all championship rounds as part of the deal.

C Ralph will let race secretaries know. A Hay will automatically put an entry in for each round. Should Max ride in all rounds, there will be £1650 left to share between clubs. There is a possibility of more money from Centre moto cross funds which means that it is expected that there will be £2000 in the pot. This is to be confirmed by the Centre Treasurer.

It is anticipated that a minimum of £300 would be available to clubs per round abut that if the money was shared by 5 clubs (as opposed to 7 rounds) there would be £400 to each organising club.**

Mr Hearn left the meeting at this point.

8. Grading issues:

Mr Hay stepped down as Centre Recorder – C Ralph will take on this role.

For several years the calculation of points went from January to June, then 1st July to 31st December 6 months' worth of points carried into the next session. With the new upgrade system of 15 points, a question was raised if we should run from 1st January to 31st December with no points carried over. Following discussion, it was agreed to leave as it is.

C Ralph will check on Mylaps for riders competing in adjoining centres where they may be scoring expert points.

S Goggins has asked C Ralph to update the Centre expert list.

A Fisher – C Ralph to contact re downgrading.

Expert Championship – C Ralph is confident that 25 experts' riders will be achievable and if 31 are attained, the expert group will run alone.

9. Financial Support – A Hay ** discussed in Item 7.

10. Ms Berwick to remind race secretaries to check licences thoroughly.

Halstead MCC – Mrs J Salmon is to continue as race secretary – all relevant paperwork to be sent to her.

J Blyth reported that Mrs D Blyth had spoken to Donna Secker regarding Tom Pattinsons mother, Mrs Bodell. Mrs Bodell wishes to be present at race meetings promoting safety clothing. It was decided that this should be a decision taken by individual clubs.

Mr Hay suggested that it would be more beneficial for Mrs Bodell to attend youth meetings as adults make their own choices.

Next meeting to be arranged for the end of May

There being no further business closed, the meeting closed at 9.00pm.