

ACU EASTERN
ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING No 2024-4
11 APRIL 2024 AT 7.30pm BY ZOOM

Attendees	Mr A Penny –	President
	Mr C Keeble –	Chairman
	Mr A Foskew-	Vice Chairman
	Mr A Hay -	Treasurer

1 Introductions

1.1 The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees;

2 Matters arising from previous meeting

- 2.1 CK reported that he had still been unable to visit Barclays Bank reference renaming of the Gazette bank account but will do so as soon as possible
- 2.2 CK reported that the 2024 handbooks had been distributed and following late orders from clubs there were less than 10 unsold
- 2.3 CK reported that Alex Wright had expressed an interest in assisting with the Centres exhibit at the Copdock Bike Show
- 2.4 CK reported that the recruitment signs for helpers had been distributed with the assistance of AP, most of the recruitment banners for speed events had been distributed with arrangements made for distributing the remainder

3 Feedback from ACU Head Office “The Way Forward” Plan

CK reported on a meeting which he attended in Oxford and explained that the group of Centre Chairmen had valuable discussions with Tim Lightfoot and Matthew Wear which he thought would assist head office with their review

4 Facilities Fund

The committee reviewed the existing rules for the Facilities Fund and agreed there are no fundamental changes required but identified a number of points which need “tidying up” to remove redundant wording and make the intention clearer. To avoid the need to work through the whole document word by word CK will make the amendments and circulate the changes for review at the next meeting.

5 Finance Update

- 1. AH has not been able to visit Barclays to discuss the Centre investments but planned to do so on 23 April.
- 2. When AH meets with Barclays on 23 April he will ask them to check why CK has not got visibility of the Facilities Fund account

3. The only unpaid invoice is the charge for timing loop to 500cc Sidecar Association but he has resubmitted the invoice to a different email address and hopes payment will be made
4. Financial reports and payment of any monetary surplus are outstanding from the Trials and Enduro committees ; AH will send reminders to each committee secretary
5. Subject to reconciliation, all 2023 payments have now been received from ACU Head Office
6. All Centre support charge returns and payments for 2023 have now been received apart from Southend club grasstrack event.

6 First aid at Trials

The committee discussed this matter following an approach from a club official. The Trials standing Regulations require that organisers have a qualified first aid person at events ; in the past, clubs have relied on members who have first aid qualifications from their employers but with the membership getting older and many now retired that pool is getting smaller. It was agreed that CK would write to ACU Head Office for clarification of the qualification required then contact the trials secretary to find out which clubs do not have suitably qualified people.

7 Enduro Devolution

CK reported that he had received a response from the Enduro committee to the draft terms for devolution, unfortunately the response was in a different format to the draft that was put forward by this committee. CK therefore tabled a comparison of the original draft and the Enduro committee alternative document which was discussed. Whilst there were a number of differences it was thought that many were simple differences of terminology rather than intentional disagreements. Due to restricted time CK will add notes to the comparison document to explain this committees views which will be reviewed at the next meeting.

8 July Board Meeting

CK reported that he had booked Claydon and Barham Community Centre for 22 July 2024

CK also reported that in view of low attendances at recent meetings he intended to write a note to all members of centre clubs to explain the importance of getting members feedback; this will be circulated to all members of all Eastern Centre clubs who are recorded on Sport 80 by ACU head office who are able to send the emails without divulging individual email addresses .This was agreed

9Any other Business

CK reported that the National Council meeting will be on 22 July 2024 at Rugby with facilities for delegates to attend in person or by Zoom ; CK commented that he considered it more valuable to attend in person but expenses are no longer paid by Head Office therefore there would be a cost to the Centre . CK asked AP AH and AF to consider if they consider it appropriate for the Centre to pay his expenses to attend in person and advise him accordingly.

10 Date of Next Meeting 23 May 2024

The meeting closed at 8.57pm