

**Meeting of AMCA Board of Directors held at the AMCA Office, Cannock  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014, 10 a.m.**

Attended by Directors: D. Green – Chairman, M.Penn - Vice Chairman, C.Davis, C.Price, R.Pugh, D.Moreton, M.Humphries, S.Cannings. N.Webster

S.Potts – Gen.Mg.

A.Griffiths, S.Harvey and J.Harrison will join the meeting for relevant agenda items.

B.Kimber – Group Coordinator of the South Shropshire Group attended the meeting, he was invited as the Group is currently unrepresented on the Board.

M.Brettle sent his apologies.

**WEB NOTES OF THE MEETING**

1. Notes of the previous meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2014 were approved. (Full version and edited web version).

2. MATTERS ARISING from the previous minutes not covered elsewhere on this Agenda.

2.1 At the previous meeting a discussion took place concerning the make-up of the Board of Directors and whether restrictions should apply to limit the number of Directors from one area and also to ensure that co-opted Directors brought new skills or a new area to the table. S.Potts and D.Green met with A.Griffiths on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May to consider options and reported back to this meeting.

Directors due for reelection in 2015:D.Green / N.Webster / Roy Pugh

2016:M.Brettle / M.Penn / D.Moreton / M.Humphries / C.Davis

2017:C.Price / S.Cannings

No concrete proposals came forward and it was agreed to defer any restructure of the Board until guidance is received from the Solicitors dealing with the possible Charitable status application. If AMCA becomes a Charity this may have implications for the structure of the Board and the Constitution.

2.2 AMCA owned vehicles – since the last meeting it has been established that three of the vehicles definitely require a tachograph. Two have now been fitted to the Sprinter and the Land Rover. The third vehicle to require a tachograph is the Mercedes Timing Bus – discussions have taken place with C.Price and D.Green as to whether additional monies should be spent on fitting a tachograph to the timing bus. An alternative solution is that the timing bus be sold and the exhibition trailer be converted for use as a timing unit. This would reduce the number of vehicles being taken to Championships from two to one and would also see better use of the exhibition unit. It would also reduce the number of vehicles on the fleet.

The tractor owned by the AMCA has been advertised on the AMCA website, there are two parties interested at the time of writing the agenda. Directors were able to view the tractor which is currently housed in the workshop and is able to be started. It is thought that it's sale will be finalized in the coming weeks.

The AMCA office are now using C.Price as the Director for assistance with vehicle expertise.

It was agreed to sell the timing bus and use local contractors to convert the exhibition trailer for use as an event timing vehicle. The trailer will still be referred to as the Lionel Beck trailer but this may have to feature somewhere in a smaller capacity after the conversion has been completed.

2.3 Land update

COMMERCIALY SENSITIVE

2.4 INSURANCE

COMMERCIALY SENSITIVE

2.5 Charitable status – no further update has been received from the Solicitor, S.Potts to chase.

2.6 BENEVOLENT FUND - payments made this year so far for information: PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 ACCOUNTS – A.Griffiths updated the Board of Directors. The first five months accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 and recent cost savings made had been previously circulated to Directors. C.Davis has raised six questions, responses had been circulated to Directors prior to this meeting.

A.Griffiths went on to say that costs are being controlled and that in addition to the 5 months accounts he had already had an initial look at the 6 months accounts and revenues are now slightly up on the same period from last year. A.Griffiths reported that depreciation is also reduced from the previous year.

3.2 Request for financial assistance from AMCA Club – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

3.3 LOWER AGE LIMIT – MOTOCROSS – a request has been received from the NWNS Group to reduce the age limit from 9 years to 7 years.

N.Webster proposed that the lower age limit for 2015 be reduced to 8 years old for Inter Juniors but that riders be automatically upgraded on their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday.

This proposal was seconded by C.Price and voting was 5 in favour, 2 against and 1 abstention.

The proposal was carried with a proviso that the track guidelines issue below is also resolved, and final ratification will be sought at the Motocross Committee meeting.

3.4 65cc TRACK GUIDELINES – following the last Board meeting N.Webster emailed the office advising that the guidance agreed in relation to track marking was unworkable. He has assisted two clubs in the running of events where 65cc machines have been included, he reported to this meeting that whilst numbers of 65cc machines were low at the events that he had observed, there is still a desire to run them in some Groups.

S.Harvey is to produce guidance in relation to track marking and marshal points and circulate to Directors for approval, this will then go to the Motocross Committee meeting for their approval.

Clubs seeking to run 65cc machines at an event are to contact the AMCA office and tracks are to be inspected prior to the event by Director / Group Co-ordinator.

3.5 DIRECTORS MEETINGS DATES 2014

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2015

\*Motocross Committee Meeting – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2014\*

#### A.O.B

- From S.Potts LARA request for £500 donation from all associate members – 8 voted in favour – CARRIED.
- M.Humphries expressed concern over the late entry fee – for information.
- Structure of classes from S.Harvey – S.Harvey has produced an alternative class structure which is for consideration at the Motocross Committee meeting.
- M.Humphries told the meeting that the rules in relation to background colours need simplifying – the Board suggested that the S.West group put forward a proposal for consideration to the Motocross Committee meeting.
- M.Penn asked if there would be a cost to allowing online FROCH – S.Potts explained that there would be a considerable software development cost.
- C.Davis asked who is handling the repairs of the trailers, S.Potts advised that day to day duties have been undertaken by C.Chamberlain, minor repairs as and when they arise will be undertaken internally, major repairs will have to be quoted for externally. At the time of writing all work has been handled internally.
- Sponsorship item raised by N.Webster - CONFIDENTIAL

MEETING CLOSED 2.30pm

