

**Meeting of AMCA Board of Directors held at the AMCA Office, Cannock
Tuesday 30th June 2015 10a.m.**

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

S.Potts – Gen.Mgr.

J.Harrison will joined the meeting for relevant agenda items.

APOLOGIES RECEIVED FROM: R.Pugh and M.Humphries

WEB NOTES OF THE MEETING

1. Notes of the previous meeting held on Saturday 14th March 2015 were approved with one amendment. S.Potts had recorded apologies from M.Penn on the notes when in fact M.Penn was present but left the meeting part way through. The minutes are to be amended.(Full version and edited web version).

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

2.1 IMBA events – request from Mick Penn to charge IMBA events at winter fees rates to encourage more clubs to come forward to run IMBAs. This suggestion would be for 2016 onward and wouldn't impact on the current year. S.Harvey said that he felt this would help him attract more clubs to run the IMBA events. The Board requested more detail in order for them to consider the request and asked that as it doesn't effect this year's events, could a look at the financial impact be prepared for a future discussion. S.Harvey has prepared some financial information for the Board to consider.

S.Potts distributed figures to assist with the proposal, these figures showed the club return calculations for the recent IMBA event at Norley.

As there remains one more IMBA event to run this season the Board requested that this matter be deferred to the next Board meeting for further consideration (29th September).

As part of this discussion N.Webster spoke of the difficulty in getting followers to pay on the gate, the Chairman suggested that this is a topic to discuss at the next MXC meeting in relation to all motocross meetings, not just Championships and IMBA's as it is a frequent issue. The question of 'team passes' for the Championships should also be discussed at the next motocross meeting as part of the same debate. C.Price asked if it could be established which Groups accept rider plus one follower or rider plus two followers per entry – this can be established by requesting the information from Group Coordinators at the next Motocross Committee meeting.

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 ACCOUNTS – Adam Clarke from Mitten Clarke attended the meeting at the request of S.Potts to discuss the decision made last year by Directors to opt for an assurance review or inspection of the accounts versus a full audit. Mr.Clarke explained that in his opinion AMCA didn't need a full audit as it is very rigid in format and also costly. The meeting agreed that the original decision still stood and a full audit would not be commissioned at year end. (Following the meeting S.Potts contacted the Directors about appointing an accountant for the next year end process, S.Potts recommended that this be Mitten Clarke, this decision was agreed by Directors).

J.Harrison presented the six months accounts which have been distributed prior to the meeting along with the Key Performance Indicators for the six month end date and also for 31st May 2015. Questions had been received on the accounts from M. Brettle and C.Davis, both sets of questions had been answered by email and responses sent to all Directors. C.Davis asked how much extra work would be involved in returning to monthly management accounts, J.Harrison explained that roughly a week's work every month is required as there are a lot of movements that need to be done in compiling monthly reports.

N.Webster asked for event figures for every Yamaha experience – J.Harrison to produce.

C.Price asked if we need to review the pricing of the B licence in view of the latest license revenue shown in the accounts – this should be discussed at the next Director's meeting.

C.Price suggested that a Director be appointed to work more closely with James Harrison to enable the Board to answer questions at the AGM, this was discussed but not considered viable due to the vast number of transactions and the amount of time that this would take up on both sides.

C.Davis raised an issue on behalf of M.Humphries concerning the management of the Southern area of the AMCA. S.Potts explained the background along with C.Price. The matter is to be deferred to the Motocross Committee.

C.Davis said that if she has further questions on the accounts she will liaise directly with James Harrison.

3.2 INSURANCE – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Also:

Ongoing discussions involving all authorising bodies over the Vnuk European case which could lead to all users of off road vehicles being required to have third party insurance are to be held throughout the summer as part of the Department of Transport's consultation on the matter. The MCI and the Motor Sport Political Strategy Group are providing a united voice on the on behalf of the sport in opposing this legislation.

N.Webster asked for a 2 metre exclusion zone to be marked out at the end of the start straight at Foxhills at the forthcoming Championship due to previous problems, S.Potts advised that she wouldn't be at the event but would pass on the request.

3.3 FORESTRY COMMISSION / TRIALS – the Forestry Commission are introducing new stricter regulation for all users of forestry land following the spectator deaths at the Jim Clark Rally. This effects three AMCA clubs who run on forestry land – Dabbers, North Hants Motor Club and Bognor Reis & District MCC. All three clubs have been spoken to and AMCA office is in communication with the Forestry Commission on their behalf.

S.Potts also advised the Board of Directors that following a letter from Dales Classic Trials club a letter had been issued to all trials clubs asking for their views on the proposals in the letter. Feedback will be discussed at the next meeting.

3.5 YAMAHA AMCA MX EXPERIENCE – performance review and finances. Discussed under Item 3.1

3.6 SIDECARS – from Sidecar Coordinators – request to return to three team funding for IMBA's due to increase in sidecar numbers and competitiveness. S.Potts suggested that as there are three rounds remaining that the sidecars be allocated £450 per round irrelevant of location – N.Webster proposed with C.Price seconding, all voted in favour – CARRIED.

3.7 UNAUTHORISED PRACTICE EVENTS – a discussion took place as to how we can deter clubs from running practice events either without authorisation and insurance or under another body. S.Potts asked that Directors be vigilant and inform the office if they hear of any club in their area running an unauthorized practice event. The office will then write to the club advising them of the personal risks they are undertaking in doing so.

N.Webster asked if a letter could be issued to Preston Club.

3.8 Date of next meeting – as per the list below the next Director's meeting will take place on Tuesday 29th September 2015.

MEETING DATES in 2015

Tuesday 6th January 2015 – DIRECTOR's MTG

Saturday 7th February 2015 – CANCELLED - Motocross Committee Mtg - CANCELLED

Saturday 14th March 2015 – AMCA AGM, Motocross Committee Mtg, DIRECTOR's MTG

Wednesday 8th April – CANCELLED - DIRECTOR's MTG – CANCELLED

Tuesday 30th June 2015 - DIRECTOR's MTG

Tuesday 29th September 2015 - DIRECTOR's MTG

Saturday 10th October 2015 – Motocross Committee Mtg

Saturday 21st November – CLASSIC AGM & FIXTURE Mtg

Tuesday 5th January – DIRECTOR's MTG

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End of meeting 1.20pm

Benevolent Fund meeting followed Director's Meeting – D.Green, C.Davis, C.Price, R.Pugh are invited to attend.

