

South West BMX Regional Committee Meeting

Meeting Sunday 3rd July, 2016

Tiverton Track-side

Present:

Paula Hallett, Hugh Copping, Annie Dodd, Charlie Leggett, Steve Leggett, Sharon Avery, Tim Sampson, Justin Gatting, Lesley Reynolds, Mark England, Vanessa Harrison, Tracy Day and Jan Little

Apologies:

None due to the impromptu of the meeting.

This meeting was an impromptu one held at Tiverton track following the regional that was held on the day. It was decided at the last meeting that July's meeting would be held at Elmore FC but not until the following day on the 4th July. It had been discussed over the day that it was felt that those coming from Cornwall, Bath and Bristol were going to go all the way home only to have to return again tomorrow. The committee members present agreed to hold the meeting straight after racing.

1. Matters Arising and Actions from Minutes of Previous Meeting

All matters/actions discussed were done so without the previous minutes being present or signed off. The agenda was based on current issues put forward by the members present. The minutes from the previous meeting will be checked against and any actions which have omitted from this meeting will be added to the next meeting's agenda.

2. Bristol – had made it known it wanted 2 issues discussed.

It had been highlighted that in the May minutes there was some information referring to Bristol and coaching which needs withdrawing as not reported/ portrayed as accurate – the committee all agreed and this will be amended before re-publishing.

Rules and regulations need to be made clearer and each club then to be sent a copy, this was due to Bristol being asked to pay a fine which the committee issued for failing to supply appropriate First Aid at their regional. The committee were still in agreement that this was not deliberate on their behalf but with the provider, action still needed to be taken so that they didn't appear to have profited from this. The concern was to set a precedent so other clubs could not flout the first aid requirements and it was PH at the previous meeting that mentioned that in previous years a fine system was put in place. Bristol issues with this was that this had not been mention over the seasons and many clubs were probably unaware that there was such ruling in place. This was agreed that clubs should be made aware and be sent out the appropriate rulings (which may need updating). PH was unsure were the original copy was due to computer issues so ME said he would check his archive of minutes from over the years and forward to SA. If found ME will produce for next meeting. Also with regards to rules the committee are going to actively work collating all relevant data so that in future these can be found on the SW website. This should also include BMX rulebook, race day protocol, regional race organisation, club requirements, criteria to apply to host the SW Championships, British championship qualification criteria, dispensation applications, explanation of results- regional/ National – grand prix format etc, Officials selection (ie how a rider can protest etc; clothing regulations etc.) child protection, code of conduct, how to apply for club

funding, coach and official development (including training opportunities), rider development, regional school of racing – criteria and format. These were sent in by Gary Phillips for the agenda and will be added for the next meeting and will be worked on along the committee rulings should ME be able to locate.

3. Chairperson's Report

PH update was a positive one that the region was being well supported at present. No issues needed to be individually discussed today.

4. Treasurer Report

HG said the update on the regional account was approx. £6500 before pre-reg fees from Tiverton providing all cheques had been cashed. He forecasts the region will earn £9500.

Regional rider numbers were 269 which is 3% increase on last year's numbers.

HC updated the committee that he still does not have access to the bank account – we are waiting on correspondence that has been sent out to the old treasurer.

5. The Brits

Shirts - ME was asked where we were with regards to the South West race shirts, he confirmed that himself nor one else this year had be able to secure any funding for a new design of shirts. Therefore, the way forward would be this year to continue with the previous year's design of shirt. It was decided that anyone who ordered a shirt last year would re-use this year, should they have an issue and needed a new one they could purchase at the full price of £16 (no names on the back this year), whereas those needed for the first time the committee would subsidise again at the same price of £5. ME said a message would go out in the next couple of days with all info, sizes, a cut-off date etc and people could order through Survey Monkey and clubs to collect the monies owed. It was reminded to all to convey back to club that all shirts this year are compulsory. ME taking on the responsibility for the shirts order to be processed in time for the Brits.

Race Plates - HC showed the committee the race plates – a standard plate (as used last year) and a 3D Maikun version complete with stickers which the majority of the committee had already voted on the committee page. Every one appeared to be happy with the preferred choice of the Maikun which would cost the region around £3,000; as opposed to £2,000 for the standard ones. The sticker would be printed with riders regional ranking number; PH said there could be issues with getting this correct for each participating rider (ie riders racing up ride on a different number relating to their own group but HC felt it would be an easy exercise to do HC will place an order for the Maikun.

T-shirts – LR showed the committee the t-shirt that had been printed as a mock-up which had a Hawaiian theme of hibiscus flowers which they were just going to get Barry to slightly alter. PH said there would need to be more small/popular sizes to be ordered though and for LR to get full price with regards to this and to relate costs to HC. Each club was asked if they would be prepared to donate an amount £50 -£100 should costings be higher than anticipated – those in attendance agreed but this could be sorted at next meeting.

Goody Bags – Crucial- draw string bags; Region- Maiken plates; Region - t-shirt; Region - tyre lever; various stickers; 20% off voucher (which can be either spent at Crucial or Green Machine); TBC from Green Machine; also anything else we can source.

Parade – LR said she was getting things sorted but would be posting shortly to each club with more info – the theme is surfy / beach. With this in mind the music played would no longer be the Wurzzles -I'm a cider drinker so a new tune would be needed and asked for some suggestions. HC said he would google and post a suitable selection from which the committee could make the final choice.

6. South West Championships

Cornwall were asked how the accommodation bookings were going – LR & ME said they were still some short and until the booking survey had finished. Questions were asked if there was a shortfall of caravan's sales would it still go ahead at the park and the answer was that the full amount of units needed to be sold as they had a figure that needed to be met to make the running of the site profitable. It was asked if it fell through with not enough units sold what would happen ME & LR said there was a backup plan but this would be discussed at next meeting.

All clubs were asked to push forward any more sales and collect outstanding deposits of £60.

7. EOS Trophies

Tim Sampson has emailed all the trophy supplies that he had the information from the regions clubs- Gareth Thomas from Newton Abbot had come back with a figure of £2500 approx. PH did ask TS if The Trophy-man from Barnstaple had been contacted as she didn't think he had. TS to re-contact him with the relevant requirements. This to be re-addressed at next meeting as TS was still involved with the clear up after the race.

8. Vice-chairman

Del Commons has resigned from his post and any committee responsibilities. We would like to thank him for his commitment, support and all his efforts for the region over the years. This post is vacant for the rest of the term and anyone wishing to nominate a suitable candidate please do so at the next meeting.

9. RSR

With DC no longer having any role on the committee we were not able to have any feedback to what was happening with regards to this, although we did have confirmation of the inter- regional in Manchester on the weekend of 9th-11th September. We therefore felt it would be beneficial to find out from Mark Seaman if there was a date for a RSR session before this. AD said she would contact him with regards to seeing if there was a date that could be confirmed and circulated.

10. Any other business?

No-one had anything else to add.

11. Date for next meeting

No date was set at meeting but will be set and posted to allow all committee members ample time to be notified with confirmation of date and venue.

10. Action Points

- SA to bring previous minutes to the next minute to be signed off and action points checked
- SA to amend minutes for Bristol with regards to point
- MA to see if he can locate in his archive of old minutes some rulings previously set by SW committee so these can be viewed at next committee committee updated and published; to email across to SA
- ME to publish order form via Survey Monkey for SW regional shirts and share with each club to then need to actively promote and collect monies for the shirts. ME with notify with regards to collecting this. Orders to be set to Purple Mustard in time to be processed for the Brits.
- HC to order Maikun plates from Big Daddy- Martin Baxter and to collate relevant info with regards to rider's plate no's and their age groups after Exeter.
- LR to sort slight alteration to design she wanted to the SW t-shirt and sort out how many require ordering and the approximate sizes needed bearing in mind costs and liaising with HC with any expected cost.
- Everyone to try and see if they can source any items for the Brits Goody bags. SA to post to remind each club.
- LR to update all clubs with progress on the Brits parade.
- HC to look for a list of some suitable music for Brits parade for committee to choose from.
- Each club to promote the SW championships accommodation and collect any uncollected deposits.
- TS to check info was sent to "trophyman" in Barnstaple
- Nominations to be considered for Vice Chairman for the next meeting.
- AD to contact Mark Seaman with regards to finalising a date for the RSR.
- A date to be considered and confirmed for next regional committee. SA to post on committee page once confirmed.