

Representing SACC:
Lock Horsburgh
Peter Weall

Meeting opened by Nicky Moffit (Chairman) at 11:07

Chairman's Opening Remarks

Pat Reid presented trophies at the Grampian Stages.

MSA Strategic Review

Is ongoing, Associations are asked to provide feedback when necessary.

Items from Chief Executive

Rally Tracking – a provider has been chosen, contract negotiations in progress.

Cost to competitor - one-time £75+vat for a cradle to be fitted in the car, perhaps £45 + vat per event for the unit and service.

Major championships first “top two layers” – e.g. BRC, so inc RSAC – from 1/1/2017

Not inc SRC, except the Scottish.

All forest stage rallies in 2018.

Concern was expressed at 10% increase in entry fees, after all the other cost increases over the last few years.

No intention to apply this to single venues.

Closed Roads primary legislation went through in June 2015, secondary legislation at an advanced stage.

Development inc GoMotorsport

Safeguarding still being reviewed by Jonathan Day.

Club Development Fund – being simplified

Club of the Year and Volunteer of the Year – changes to encourage more nominations, which will be open from 1st September to 31st October. Instructions and forms can be found at <https://www.msauk.org/The-Sport/Awards>

Marshals Welcome Pack being finalised.

Lock suggested that at least two or three sizes of tabard should be issued, tick box on marshals registration form – Alan Page said it would be “very difficult” to handle different sizes.

Forestry Charges Negotiations with NRW ongoing, NRW don't know how much of the road costs are attributable to rallying as opposed to logging, and there are many examples of roads not being repaired after the rally. Roads were “repaired” the day before a recent Severn, so badly that the rally had to be partly rerouted on the morning of the event, and some competitors went home rather than damage their cars any more.

Forestry Charges in England and Scotland may increase over the rate of inflation, they do every now and then.

Inter Association Events

South of Scotland CC ran 2016 IA Autotest in Dumfries, won by ANICC team.

SACC to run Cross Country event in 2017, event still to be nominated.

Rally Future Forums

Eight have been held, last one in Aberdeen attracted 50 people. One still to do in the north west. They are costing £3K each!

Items from Associations

Media Accreditation Peter Weall commented that accredited media with tabards were being held in spectator areas, while non-accredited media roamed freely. There seems to be a misunderstanding of the regulations, media may be permitted to work outside designated spectator areas, and “enter some restricted areas”. [Eh?! Define restricted?]

Regulation change for consultation emails. Lock Horsburgh said there was a problem with the timing of “new regulation change for consultation” emails, it could be days before the actual document appeared on the MSA site. Ian Davis to review this for 2017.

Marshals Re-registration reminders. Lock also said there was a problem with the timing of marshals registration renewals. Renewals go out around the start of September, but anyone who registers for the current year does not receive a renewal reminder, and may well drop out of the system next year. Michael Wentworth would generate a second smaller batch of reminders for those who registered after the first batch.

Generally the system is working well, but there are minor issues with upgrades, and with “grandfathering in” new applications or upgrades. Could take months. Some don’t get all the grades they applied for but are not told – just notice that’s not on the card, not told why. Grades can drop off a card when “renewed without change” – looks like a problem with formatting, rather than a human or data error.

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