

**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH EASTERN MOTO CROSS COMBINE A.G.M.
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2011**

PRESENT : There were 12 delegates present representing the following clubs :- Crawley, GEST, Twickenham and Sidcup. Also present Alan Clarke (Centre Chairman) , Eddie Herd (Combine Chairman) and Andy Wood (TSM) .

CHAIR : Eddie Herd took the Chair.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Apologies were received from Monty Lane who was on holiday, Peter Burton and Roger Brown.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING : It was proposed by Dave Parry and seconded by Colin Bushell that the minutes that had previously been circulated of the meeting held on 20th January 2010 be accepted as a true and accurate record. Carried.

MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM : There were no matters arising.

REPORTS :]

Secretary/ Treasurer : Marge Clarke gave her report (copy in files) stating 3 clubs had not renewed their subs during the year and she feared we had lost YDP to the MCFederation as they had published a very full calendar on several tracks, she had continued to invite Yan to our meetings in the hope he would like to keep in touch with the going ons in the Combine. The Championship programme covers had been printed in colour with the costs being born by the advertising revenue. All meetings were electronically timed and after some constructive debate it had been agreed that in future junior entries will be accepted on a random basis into the timing heats. The generator has been serviced and an additional lap top purchased as a back up. The hire price was halved in 2010 to £10 and this generated an income of £3320 which was paid into the Centre's accounts to negate the original costs of the boxes of transponders that are hired out. Ideas regarding the self funding of each discipline had been asked for by the Centre Treasurer and Marge was not sure how we as a Combine would work this but put the meeting on notice that she would not have the time to manage the task. At the present time, if the grant continued to be supported by the Centre she saw no reason to increase the subs as the accounts showed an excess of £475.94. There was some discussion with regards to the insurance of the whole timing equipment including the hired transponders and whether it would be possible to get cover.

Moto Cross Recorder : Les Batten reported 7 of our own juniors had been upgraded from within our own Centre Meetings plus a couple of others. Together with Peter Burton he had attended a meeting at the ACU Offices at Rugby to discuss a new idea of record keeping and upgrading. He was not happy with the result which had started with just British Championship runners and any recommendations from Centre Recorders, there were not many other centres present and he felt the whole system lacked energy and motivation. A fair amount of authority would be given to Centre Recorders in future and he was keen to keep the old 4.3.2.1. marking system as a guide. The permanent number scheme had generated £685 of income although the South Midland Centre had now dropped theirs.

Eddie thanked both Marge and Les for their efforts during the past year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS : Eddie stepped down and handed the Chair to Andy Wood as an independent whilst the election of officers took place. He felt he should step down from the post of **Chairman** and let someone else take the reins . No one rushed forward and Alan Clarke proposed with Nick Shaw seconding that we re elect Eddie to the post. Carried. Eddie then took the meeting back over from Andy. **Vice Chairman** : It was proposed by Les and seconded by Nic that Colin Bushell be elected. Carried.
Secretary/Treasurer : It was proposed by Jamie Clarke and seconded by Les that Marge be elected. Carried. **Moto Cross Recorder** : It was proposed by Marge and seconded Colin that Les be elected. Carried.

SUBSCRIPTIONS : It had been previously discussed that the fee should remain at £25.

ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS : Alan warned the meeting that the Centre's finances had suffered from the interest rate fall and the healthy income it had generated in the past was no longer forthcoming. The Centre Treasurer had convened a special meeting with the Management Committee to discuss the way forward and it would most likely mean the Centre levy being raised from £1.70 to £2.50 at the Centre AGM.

There being nothing further to discuss the meeting closed at 8.30 pm. To be followed by a business meeting.