2019 BRCA 1/8th Stock Cars Section Conference The Premier Inn, Fosse Park, Leicester Meeting minutes – 26th October 2019

Attendees:

Ben Harding (Chairman), Steve Wearing (Secretary), Jonathan Goodacre (Treasurer), Sam Wearing (Grading Officer), Tony Perry, Karen Goodhall, Mick Goodhall, Jessica Goodhall, Andy Montague, Ricky Slater, Jayden Slater, Mick Wood, Scott Grocock, Dave Grocock, Simon Farrer, Paul Dexter, Alan Leighton, Mark Whittaker, Dick Batty, Jonathon Holden, Max Harding

Apologies:

Amelia Batty, Steve Kinton +family, Alex Montague, Gary Broughton, Roy Watson

Minutes from 2018 AGM:

Minutes were distributed and accepted.

Chairman's report:

Chairman gave a brief report on the season's events and successes including the Peterborough show, major meetings, national and regional series.

Treasurer's report:

Treasurer reported that the section finances are good, £4,500 in the bank, report was distributed amongst the attendees and accepted. 120 drivers registered for 2019 season, which is 20 up from 2018 .

£720 donated to the lets fence cancer charity. No plan to change race number subscription fee. See AOB for proposal on cash distribution.

Points and Grading report:

Sam confirmed he is not continuing with the role next year the section thanked him for all his hard work over the last few years (it had been previously decided to give Sam this year's Section award but due to admin error this wasn't done at the meeting sorry Sam)

A lengthy discussion of the pitfalls with our current grading system was held with some back up statistics, other options were discussed but none were an obvious choice to replace the current system some being very complicated to administer

PRO report:

PRO reported what he saw as a fantastic year for the section that started with a very successful Peterborough show which attracted some new members to 8th Stock cars. He has been impressed with the passion and drive shown by the Section and the 5 affiliated clubs. The 5 episode highly informative workshop videos "A stock Car is born" have been very well received and were worth all the hard work from Ben and Alan to get them finished and onto YouTube.

Trophies:

National Points - 1st Ben Harding, 2nd Ricky Slater, 3rd Mark Whittaker National Points Jnr - 1st Max Harding, 2nd James Kinton, 3rd Jayden Slater

National Series - 1st Ben Harding, 2nd Ricky Slater, 3rd Max Harding National Series Jnr - 1st Max Harding, 2nd James Kinton, 3rd Shaye Hunter

Southern Series - $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ Ricky Slater, $\mathbf{2}^{nd}$ Gary Gamlin , $\mathbf{3}^{rd}$ Nigel Williamson Southern Series Jnr - $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ Jayden Slater

Midland Series - 1st Alex Montague, 2nd Ben Harding, 3rd Kane Farren Midland Series Jnr - 1st James Kinton

Northern Series - $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Dick Batty, $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$ Jon Holden, $\mathbf{3}^{\text{rd}}$ Amelia Batty Northern Series Jnr - $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Jack Teal

Derek Bird special contribution award – Alan Leighton

BRCA Section Award-Sam Wearing

Proposals:

No Proposals were submitted so rules remain as they have been for last 3 years.

Election of officials:

Chairman – Ben Harding. Proposed by Dick Batty, Seconded by Ricky Slater.

Vice Chairman – Dick Batty. Proposed by Scott Grocock, Seconded by Mick Wood.

Secretary – Steve Wearing. Proposed by Mick Goodhall, Seconded by Paul Dexter.

Treasurer – Jonathan Goodacre. Proposed by Dick Batty, Seconded by Ben Harding.

Grading officer – Jon Holden. Proposed by Mark Whittaker, Seconded by Ben Harding.

PRO- Alan Leighton - Proposed by Steve wearing, Seconded by Ben Harding.

Scrutineer(s) – Ben Harding. Proposed by Ricky Slater, Seconded by Jon Holden
Scott Grocock. Proposed by Dick Batty, Seconded by Jessica Goodhall

Northern Reps – Dick Batty and Amelia Batty.

Midland Reps – Paul Dexter and Mick Goodhall.

Southern Reps – Ricky Slater and Andy Mitchell.

All proposed officials were accepted.

AOB:

A suggestion was proposed to distribute some of the excess cash held in the section account to the 5 affiliated Stock Cars clubs to help with running costs etc, A majority vote agreed this action, a figure of £300 to each club was suggested and £300 towards the next Peterborough show to support the £4k that came from the BRCA PRO budget for this year's show. Treasurer to evaluate and confirm the figures involved and distribute the funds appropriately.

Risk assessments – poor performance this year, worst section in the BRCA, we obviously need to improve. The Nationals and Majors need to have a risk assessment completed before the meeting starts and within 3 days a copy sent to the section secretary or direct to the BRCA at riskassessment@brca.org with a copy also sent to the section secretary please. Blank forms will be sent to the club organisers.

Online booking – After a lengthy discussion Jim Spencer clarified the situation and association reasons for the Stock Car section adopting online booking, it was agreed by a majority vote to use the BRCA website system without the payment online function for the Five National meetings in 2020. Alan Leighton kindly agreed to set up the meetings online.

WEMSA – A discussion was held over the current situation with the low numbers of Dutch drivers attending the World and European race meetings. The majority of the Stock Cars Section representatives in attendance voted that they wished to continue supporting the Dutch Drivers and clubs and continue with WEMSA in the hope that the situation improves in the future.

Following discussions on the topic of WEMSA didn't reach a determinable conclusion.

Meeting closed at 14:00.