

BRCA Large Scale Off Road Section AGM - Minutes
Saturday 14th September 2019
Duration - 2 Hrs Maximum

Venue :-
Lincolnshire Radio Control Car Club
Fen Road, Dorrington
Lincoln, Lincolnshire
LN4 3QB

Meeting opened at 5:30pm

Chairman's Welcome

Welcome

Can I welcome you all to our 2019 section AGM here at Ings and thank all involved here in welcoming the series for our second visit of the season.

Before I kick off the proceedings with the Chairman's report and hand over to Pete could I ask that we spare a minute to think of those racers and loved ones we have lost in the last 12 months.

Apologies Of Absence

Dane Whittleston - section Vice Chair / treasurer but did send in a report
Phil Chester - Section Head Scrutineer - comments passed to section

Minutes Of Last Meeting

Minutes of last meeting where upheld with a Proposer of **I.Oddie** and Seconded by **G.Burns**

2019 Officers Review

Chairman's Report - D.Worth

Since our last AGM the season has seen some highs and lows, including having to cancel the final round of last season due to the terrible weather at round 8. The new ZCC venue at Harrogate went down well and we are back there in 2020. Once again, our racing family has seen a steady increase despite the variances in numbers seen at meetings. I have been extremely pleased to see the racing and non-racing communities pulled together for a number of collections this season but am saddened to have to constantly remind you all about driver etiquette and standards at every driver's briefing. It's not something I should be doing or like doing.

Again, I am encouraged to see an increase in junior racers as these are the future of the section but frustrated, that despite the various comments made about driver etiquette when the section asks for your help to support Paul and his team, it's a big fat "no thanks".

I want to thank the 2019 team for their work throughout this season and congratulations go to Guy Page and the UK team who went to Bulgaria - we went but afraid we did not conquer! We welcomed Gary into the fold of time keeper/race director and hopefully he's still content to do next season solo. I also want to thank the band of helpers who ensured that the ZCC was a success – thank you.

Phil and Paul's teams have done a sterling job despite the many challenges they have faced, and those who have supported them thank you too.

Moving forward the section needs your support. We need to get our presence back in magazines and online to help keep the interest in LS off road racing so someone savvy on a PC, video camera then you could become our new media officer. You will see that I am willing to stand again as chairman but the section needs your support across all areas. It may be unpaid and challenging at times but afraid you would not be racing here today if people were not prepared to give up their time to make it happen.

In 2005 I found a small group of guys one Sunday morning down Ditchford Lane in Rushden, ran my HPI MT2 truck and was made to feel welcome. I did not expect to be sitting here 15 years later having represented the section at the exec meetings for 12 of them! Largescale off road has always been a friendly, fun but professional section with our minimal ruleset and inter manufacturer rivalry left outside the paddock as the core foundations of the section, as everyone helps everyone one, which has helped us grow from the early days of a dozen racers to the 70 to 90 drivers we see today. Let's not forget our core foundations as we continue to grow.

I wish to remind the section that I cannot continue to store and transport all the race equipment around and storage needs to be found sooner rather than later, before my wife orders a skip to dump it all in!!.

Before I had over the proceedings to Pete can I remind all drivers of the need to sign the attendance sheet and anybody with non-driver memberships bear in mind that you are able to listen in to any discussions but unable to vote or have a say in the proceedings.

Thank you,

Darren

Pete the meeting is yours.

Vice Chairman and Treasurers Report - Dane Whittleston

The sections financial position remains strong with the majority of the monies available to the section this season from National events being spent on upgrading our race computer system.

The section's accounts remain healthy with sufficient cash surplus to put on a large meeting such as the ZCC without the need to loan money from the BRCA. I.e. we spend it to set up and run the meeting to get it back in entry fees to spend on the next big meeting.

Secretaries Report – P.Barnes

It has been a quiet year for me this year, I would like to thank Darren for his continued service to the section, also can all tracks please contact me over dates for next year, on a lighter note it has been good to see continued growing numbers.

Safety Officer - P.Gresty

No major instances to report, we haven't had any issues this year which is great to report.

Referee - P.Keatley

Driving standards have been improving over the year which is good to see, for the newer attendees if you do have a question please speak to one of the officials or myself and we will be happy to help, main point is that it is a none contact sport and penalties will be being used more next year.

Scrutineer - P.Chester

While some issues have been found things are getting better but do remember that the Box is the Box.

Efra Report - Guy Page

Good racing at this years european events entered by the section those that didn't make the trip missed a really good track and event, also if anyone interested in attending next years efra events can they start thinking now.

New Efra rep for section to be selected - Darren Worth has been nominated and was voted in by the attendees at the meeting.

Election Of 2019 Section Officers

Section Chairman - Darren Worth Re-Elected

Vice Chairman - Dane Whittleston Re-Elected Assistance offered by Graham Smith

Secretary - Peter Barnes Re-Elected assisted by John Hall

Treasurer - Dane Whittleston Re-Elected

Safety Officer - Paul Gresty Re-Elected

Media officer (PRO / Webmaster combined) - Roger Smith

Head Scrutineer - Phil Chester

Head Referee - Paul Keatley

Race Director - Gary Burns

Efra Rep - Darren Worth

Proposals

1.

Procedure Rules 5.3

Race fees for the 2019 season are £20.00 per Adult entry, £5 per Junior entry for the first vehicle entered and for those wishing to enter a second vehicle then its £10.00 for adults and

£2.50 for juniors. Fees can be paid in advance via the BRCA Website using PayPal or at the event using credit/ debit card. *Cash will not be accepted unless extreme circumstances stop the use of the sections onsite payment facility working.* The section refund policy (rule 20.1) still applies.

Amendment Proposed by Ian Oddie 1147 - Seconded by Roger smith 161148

Past by majority

2.
New Rule

Tracks should not contain a 'crossover' where cars pass under and over each other unless car visibility remains at all times from the rostrum (using a transparent material) and there is no risk for cars becoming stuck underneath the underpass.

Proposed by Darren Smith 1022 - seconded by Matt Buxton 163671

Passed by majority

3.
Procedural rule 8.1

Amended as below.

8.1 Booking in will open as scheduled in the event time table and announced over the venues PA system.

Amendment proposed by Ian Oddie 1147 - seconded by Brian Hinson 162787

Passed by majority

4.
Track Specifications rule 4.2

Rule to be amended to the following.

The width of the track must be measured between the track markings and must be a minimum of 4m wide.

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - seconded by Ian Oddie 1147

Passed by majority

5.
Track specifications rule 4.6 to be amended

rule to be amended to the following:-

All rostrums must have facilities if required to provide a roof structure to protect drivers and their radio gear from inclement weather (wind / rain / strong sunlight) and be available for use for the full weekend.

Amended and Proposed by Andrew Knight 3698 - seconded by Roger Smith 161148

Passed by Majority.

6.

Racing Procedures 8.4 / 6c

Substitution of marshals can only be done on medical grounds for health and safety purposes.

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - no seconder

Failed due to no seconder.

7.

New Rule

Tracks must have no more than 25 tyres on the track as track markings and must use piping/ropes as much as possible

proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - seconded John Hall 163071

Failed by majority.

8.

New rule in track specification

For astro turf sections of the track the astro must be as clear as possible of grass and moss for marshal safety reasons when wet.

And should be kept to a national standard

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - Seconded by John Hall 163071

Fail by majority

9.

Amended rule finals 13.6

Staggered start positions will be employed for the finals, grid positions will be 5 meters apart from each other and the 1st position is to be placed as such as not to give the 1st position a significant advantage.

Amended and proposed by Ian Oddie 1147 - seconded by Guy Page 162220

Passed by majority

10.

Construction rule 1.16 amendment

No Electronic ignition advance / retard devices ie ECU are allowed

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - No seconder

failed as no seconder

11.

Construction rule 1.36and 1.35 deletion

Rules 1.36 and 1.35 to be deleted

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - Seconded by John Hall 171211

Filed by majority

12.

Classes of racing rules 1.3 and 1.3.1 to be deleted

Rule 1.3 and 1.3.1 to be removed

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - Secondaed by Ian Oddie 1147

Passed by Majority

13.

Classes of racing rule 1.4.1 amendment

Rule to be changed to read the below:-

All Cars will be scrutineered and put in/on the size box at every race meeting.

Proposed by Richard Smith 170952 - Seconded by John Hall 171211

Failed by majority

14.

New class of racing x 3 proposed by Peter Barnes - all 3 removed on day of AGM

15.

Use of radio communications between driver and mechanic.

Proposed by Paul Keatly 4894 - Seconded by Jack Keatly 7297

Failed by majority

16.

Procedural rule no 14 amendments

<u>Sponsorship</u>	<u>£360.00</u>
<u>Bank Interest</u>	<u>£10.88</u>
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>£14,893.38</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>	
<u>ZCC Running Costs</u>	<u>£(6,178.10)</u>
<u>PayPal Fees</u>	<u>£(113.98)</u>
<u>iZettle Fees</u>	<u>£(0.59)</u>
<u>Circuit Fees and Costs</u>	<u>£(3,000.00)</u>
<u>Round Trophies</u>	<u>£(1,445.00)</u>
<u>End of Year Trophies</u>	<u>£(475.00)</u>
<u>Fees paid to Officials for Nationals</u>	<u>£(1,200.00)</u>
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>£(1,095.00)</u>
<u>Race Numbers</u>	<u>£(180.00)</u>
<u>Website</u>	<u>£(305.00)</u>
<u>Equipment</u>	<u>£(1,328.00)</u>
<u>Total Expenditure</u>	<u>£(15,320.67)</u>
<u>Profit/ Loss</u>	<u>£(427.29)</u>
<u>Cash Balance Brought Forward</u>	<u>£8,079.26</u>
<u>Profit Loss</u>	<u>£(427.29)</u>
<u>Final Cash Balance</u>	<u>£7,651.97</u>
<u>Non Cash Assets</u>	<u>£2,162.00</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>£(100.00)</u>
<u>Net Value of Section</u>	<u>£9,713.97</u>