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BRCA Large Scale Off Road Section AGM –Minutes

Sunday 31st October 2021

Venue:-

**Braunstone Room
Premier Inn Leicester
Fosse Park,
Braunstone Lane East,
LE3 2FW**

Meeting opened at 13:40pm

Chairman's Welcome.

Good afternoon and welcome to the 2021 LSOR AGM. I'd like to thank you all for coming today. It's good to see so many here today and a couple from our newest club Sussex.

Apologies of Absence.

No absences as all committee members are present.

Minutes Of Last Meeting

Minutes of last meeting were upheld with a proposer I.Oddie and Seconded by C. Butterworth

2021 Officer Reports

Chairman's Report

So this year had a few challenges but I think overall most people have enjoyed this year's racing. With Covid here early on we couldn't imagine we would see all 8 rounds but we managed it in the end with a great team work and togetherness that is there in the large scale section membership and Committee.

We have seen great success in Sussex joining this year's Large Scale calendar they have also shown clubs wanting to join the series they should support the rest of the series like the guys have done from Sussex. We have also seen an increase in junior entries which is great to see and exciting that we could see another possible club join the series next year is showing the section is growing...

We have a BRCA Masters event back on the calendar for Feb 2022 which also is really great to see and as a section a focus on highlighting ourselves across the large scale BRCA members UK wide is very important for us.

I would like to thank everyone that has helped this year and been involved in this year's series and most of all thank you to all the members and clubs for your support and kind words though the year.

Regards

Phil Chester

Treasure's Report

2021 Draft P & L

	2021	2020	Change
Income			
National Series Entry Fees	£9,680.00	£0.00	N/A
Sponsorship	£0.00	£240.00	(100.0%)
Bank Interest	£0.38	£9.41	(96.0%)
Total Income	£9,680.38	£249.41	3781.3%
Expenditure			
Indoor Masters	(£100.00)	(£291.61)	(65.7%)
Running Costs			
PayPal Fees	(£423.66)	(£9.15)	4530.2%
iZettle Fees	£0.00	(£0.35)	(100.0%)
Circuit Fees and Costs	(£4032.50)	(£1,600.00)	152.0%
Round Trophies	(£1,100.00)	(£800.00)	37.5%
End of Year Trophies	£0.00	(£450.00)	(100.0%)
Fees paid to Officials for Nationals	(£1,600.00)	£0.00	N/A
Miscellaneous	(£545.00)	(£175.00)	211.4%
Race Numbers	(£90.00)	£0.00	N/A
Website	(£305.00)	(£99.13)	207.7%
Equipment	(£330.29)	£0.00	N/A
Total Expenditure	(£8,526.45)	(£3,425.24)	148.9%
Profit/ Loss	£1,153.93	(£3,175.83)	136.3%
Cash Balance	£4,800.26	£7,976.09	(39.8%)
Brought Forward			
Profit Loss	£1,153.93	(£3,175.83)	136.3%
Final Cash Balance	£5,954.19	£4,800.26	24.0%
Non Cash Assets	£741.00	£1,934.00	(61.7%)
Liabilities	(£100.00)	(£100.00)	0.0%
Net Value of Section	£6,595.19	£6,634.26	(0.6%)

Overall Section Summary (Cash and Assets)

2021 Starting Value: £6,634.26
 2021 Cash Profit/ Loss: £1,153.93
 2021 Total Assets Change: (£1,193.00)
 2021 Total Liabilities Change: £0.00
 2021 Closing Balance: £6,595.19
 2021 Value Change: (0.6%)

Cash Summary Breakdown

2021 Starting Cash Balance (end of 2020 season): £4,800.26
 2021 Income: £9,680.38
 2021 Expenditure: (£8,526.45)
 2021 Cash Profit/ Loss: £1,153.93
 2021 Closing Cash Balance: £5,954.19
 2021 Cash Balance Change: 24.0%

Asset Summary Breakdown

2020 Starting Asset Balance (end of 2018 Season): £1,934.00
 2020 Depreciation/ Sale: (£1,193.00)

2020 Assets Acquired: £0.00
2020 Closing Asset Balance: £741.00
2020 Asset Change: (61.7%

Supporting Notes:

- A full national calendar was held in 2021 with a total of 523 entrants across 8 events at an average of just over 65 entries per event. Our best ever season.
- The section has successfully migrated to full online entry and payment in 2021 which has simplified the booking in process and meeting preparation, however PayPal fees have increased as a result to £423.66 for the season.
- As confirmed last year, no income was made from the 2021 BRCA LSOR Handbook as those that supported the section in 2020 were given a free advert this year.
- The section has secured a new venue for our annual indoor event and has incurred costs in this financial year of £100.00 for venue hire and £125.30 on equipment costs (new loop and HDMI cables)
- Depreciable assets reduced in line with expectation and looks larger than normal due to use of £800.00 of trophies purchased but not used in 2020. This has also had a positive impact in the sections recorded profit for 2021 as we recover from our 2020 losses.
- As 2021 saw the return to racing following the 2020 season cancellation, incidental expenses (in addition to our usual running costs) increased as we replaced out of date, expired or damaged supplies. For example £90 on race numbers and £45 on a data sim card
- The section also contributed £275 to the 10 year Nene Valley Raceway celebrations held at the delayed R1 national in July

Regards
Dane Whittleston

Secretary's Report

I was co-opted into the assistant secretary position this year to help with the duties as Pete Barnes had less free time available for the role. I've had to hit the ground running as due to Covid there was an immediate requirement for changes with the drivers briefing needed to be provide in document form so as to limit the race day briefing. Other requirements were to ensure the LSOR section were following the BRCA covid guidelines.

In all it's proven to be a successful year for the section, I hope the progress continues, starting with today's AGM.

I'd like to thank my fellow committee members and all those who made the effort to attend today.

Regards,

Matt Buxton
Assistant Secretary

Safety Officer's Report

Nothing major to Report. I only managed to get to 4 meetings, Dane covered the risk assessment when I was unable to attend. All tracks came up to standard, some needed a few changes on the day but all tracks made the requested changes before commencement of meetings.

Regards,

Paul Gresty

Head Referee's Report

With Covid Rules and processes in place the box was not in use in 2021 but the box was present for racers at round 7 so drivers could try their cars in the box over the weekend so there will be no surprises in 2022 when the box returns all being well with covid restrictions being the same as now. With not being able to touch cars the walk round Scrutineering was successful and gave me the chance to speak with people and give some advice on wiring and other topics that have come up during the year. Lipo checks and E stickers are a huge part of safety in our section as is ensuring wiring is safe and trying to limit run away cars to reduce risk.

Regards

Phil Chester

Efra Officer's Report

Back in Nov'2020 I participated in the 2020 EFRA LS section zoom AGM alongside the various other country attendees with the aim of European racing again in 2021.

Having contacted all those due to attend the 2020 meeting to confirm interest in the 2021 event's resulted in the UK having a team size of 9 for the On Road Euros in Italy and 29 for the Off Road Euros in Fehring.

With both meetings once again not occurring these drivers have been contacted and the details of those who now fit in to those teams have been passed to the proposed 2022 BRCA Large Scale EFRA rep, but I can report that due to drop outs all those who have requested a place and where previously on the reserve lists now have a place in the team. Further changes will be communicated by the newly elected BRCA LS EFRA rep and I will be supporting them through the transition.

Good luck to those attending the Euros in 2022.

Regards,

Darren Worth

Proposals

1.

Rule Amendment P3.5

3.5 All marshal points are to have 3-sided protection for added safety.

Proposed by Matt Buxton

Removed from vote – will be applied undersafety grounds – Section committiee

2.

New Rule

Amended

Junior championship results to be available online to view . 3 from 8 rounds to count.

Amendment proposed by D. Whittleston 151038 Seconded by I.Oddie 1147

Passed by majority

3.

Rule Amendment P8.3

Saturday practice drivers have open access during the practice period but drivers must limit each time on track to a maximum of 10 minutes which then must be follwed by immediatley marshalling for a minimum of 10 minutes regardless of time spent on track. Junior drivers must have a replacment adult marshal. Failure to marshal will result in loss of quali ftq.

Amendment porposed by I.Oddie 1147 Seconded by D.Whittleston 151038

Passed by Majority

4.

Rule Amendment P8.7

Drivers must be seeded on handicap for qualifying based upon current championship position, New drivers to the class at the start of the season will be placed as a lower seed until after the first round when they will gain their seed position. Drivers from the year previously will start the the season based upon championship position from the year previous.

Proposed by D.Smith 1022 Seconded by M.Buxton 163671

Failed by Majority

5.

Rule Amnedment P8.7

Drivers must be seeded on handicap and previous performance for qualification heats in round 1 of the season only.From round 2 onwards qualification positions will be seeded from current national standing positions only.

WITHDRAWN by M.Higgins 11636

6.
Rule Amendment P8.7

Drivers will be seeded on handicap for qualifying based upon current championship position only.

WITHDRAWN by M.Buxton 163671

7.
Rule Amendment P8.3

Free practice on Saturday morning will be controlled by a peg system to control the number of drivers and cars on track to what is deemed a safe level for the venue. Where feasible open practice will be available for those who arrived on the Sunday ahead of the first heat of the day but this cannot be guaranteed.

WITHDRAWN by I.Oddie 1147

8.
Delete Rule 8.7

Drivers must be seeded on handicap for qualifying based upon current championship position and previous performance.

WITHDRAWN by I.Oddie 1147

9.
New Rule section 8

Controlled open practice will be run by the BRCA LSOR Section from 9am Saturday morning with the exact format and start times to be communicated at least 3 days before the start of the event to all participants. Formats and durations can vary depending on the several factors including but not limited to number of entrants, weather forecasts and venue facilities.

WITHDRAWN by D.Whittleston

10.
Rule Amnedment P8.7

Amended as follows-

Drivers will be seeded on handicap for qualifying mainly based on current championship position with the option to adjust based on recent performance at the race directors discretion only.

Amendment proposed by I.oddie 1147 Seconded by R.Smith 151038

Passed by Majority

11.
New Rule Section 8

Drivers must be seeded on handicap for timed practice based upon current championship position and previous performance.

WITHDRAWN by D.Whittleston 151038

12.

New Rule Section 8

Starting order for timed practice and qualification heats will be as follows: Heat 1: As per heat listing, heat 2 onwards: finishing order of previous heat result.

WITHDRAWN by D.Whittleston 151038

13.

Rule Amendment P13.1

The final positions will be based upon the drivers' best two scores from the four qualification rounds and their relative round position and associated points.

WITHDRAWN by D.Whittleston 151038

14.

New Rule 14

Failure to marshal or provide a substitute in timed or controlled practice: loss of fastest qualifying time.

WITHDRAWN by D.Whittleston 151038

15.

Delete Rule 5.6

Remove rule.

Proposed by D.Whittleston 151038 Seconded by M.Buxton 163671

Passed by Majority

16.

Rule Amendment P5.3

Race fees for the 2022 season are £25.00 per Adult class entry, £5 per Junior class entry. Entry fee includes Saturday practice and all racing on Saturday and Sunday. No discounts for multiple class entries. Delete - Cash will no longer be accepted trackside unless extreme circumstances stop the use of the sections onsite payment facility working.

Proposed by D.Whittleston 151038 Seconded by R.Smith 170952

Passed by Majority

17.

Rule Amendment P2.5

The junior championship is open to anyone under the age of 16 on 1st January of each year.

Proposed by D.Whittleston 151038 Seconded by I.Oddie 1147

Passed by Majority

18.

Rule Amnedment 5.5 / 5.6

Rule 5.5

Delete [For those without computer access then please pre-register by texting the sections Race Director]. All pre-registrations are to be done by midnight 8 days preceding the meeting. Late registration will be allowed up to the day before the meeting but entry cannot be guaranteed and will incur an additional fee of £10 to the advertised race fee in 5.3

Proposed by D.Whittleston 151038 Seconded by Martyn Williams 180535

Passed by Majority

19.

Rule Amendment p2.3

Each championship is awarded on points from the best 5 rounds of the season, if there is a tie then the sections Non-scoring countback rules apply which means total points from the non scoring rounds is calculated with the tiger points awarded the place. Only where non-scoring totals are also the same would a tie be aware.

Failed no Seconder

20.

Rule Amendment P5.5

Make reference to the fact that late registration entry that is after the publication of seeded heats will not result in reseeding of the heats and drivers will be placed in to a heat at the race directors discretion

Proposed by D.Whittleston 151038 Seconded by I.Oddie 1147

Passed by Majority

21.

New Rule P8.29

No practice is allowed at the track holding the next round in the week preceding the race weekend (7days). Practice is limited to the race weekend only on Saturday and were feasible Sunday morning for Sunday only entries

WITHDRAWN by M.Buxton 163671

22.

Rule Amnedment P3.7

Clubs wishing to open the track on Fridays before a national, must communicate this to all entrants along with any fees at least 7 days before the event. The section also recommends that for open practice sessions the number drivers on the rostrum are limited to no more than the venues marshal points.

WITHDRAWN by D.Whittleston 151038

23.

New Rule section 8

Radio headset communication between driver and pit lane is allowed in practice only and one pair of headsets to be used per driver and they can only be used by the driver on the rostrum and the mechanic in the pit lane. Not driver to driver. Driver headsets should be single ear type only.

Amended proposal by I.Oddie 1147 Seconded by D.Whittleston 151038

Passed by Majority

24.

New Rule P7.6

Each car must have 3 correct race numbers fitted, one on the top/horizontal place of the body and the other two on either side on a vertical plane (not folded over an edge).

Proposed by I.Oddie 1147 Seconded by M.Buxton 163671

Pass by Majority

25.

Rule Amendment P9.4

Marshals must wear stout shoes or boots and wear heavy duty gloves, and their own high visibility reflective vest\jacket.

WITHDRAWN by M.Buxton 163671

26.

Rule Amendment P9.4

Marshals must wear safety boots/trainers and wear heavy duty gloves and their own hi visibility vest

WITHDRAWN by R.Smith 170952

27.

Rule Amendment P7.5

A microphone will be provided for the Referee to allow clear communication to the driver's rostrum, and a timing screen on the rostrum which can be viewed at a glance without looking away from the track. The referee must have their own clearly marked space on the rostrum with a good view of the track.

Amended proposal by Martyn Williams 180535 Seconded by G.Burns

Passed by Majority

28.

New Rule

All tracks must have 10 Parc ferme spaces that are numbered 1-10 for when drivers pull off the track they can place their vehicles in the dedicated slot see rule 11.1

WITHDRAWN by R.Smith 170952

29.

New Rule

All tracks must have a minimum of 10 marshal posts around the track

Proposed by R.Smith Seconded by C.Butterworth 161304

Failed by Majority

30.

Delete Rule 5.3

remove the rule only the section can set race fees and run race costs

WITHDRAWN by P.Chester 151639

31.

Amendment 19

Refer to main BRCA handbook constitution rule 14

Amended by P.Barnes Seconded by M.Buxton 163671

Passed by Majority

32.

Amendment P18

Refer to main BRCA handbook constitution rule 14

Amended proposal by M.Buxton 163671 Seconded by D.Whittleston 151038

Passed by Majority

33.

Amendment P17

All protests must be made within 15mins of completion of the last main final.

Amended by P.Chester 151639 Seconded by D.Whittleston 151038

Passed by Majority

34.

Rule Amendment C1.9 , C1.17, C1.22

C1.9 shall have a maximum engine size of 32cc

C1.17 Only open deck admission ports are allowed on engines below 30cc, they may be closed ports on engines over 30cc.

C1.22 The maximum venturi diameter of the carburettor is limited to 13 mm for engines up to 30cc and 14mm for over 30cc.

Amended proposal by P.Barnes 160985 Seconded by C.Butterworth 161304

Passed by Majority

35.

Rule Amendment C1.9

Shall have a maximum engine size of 32cc

WITHDRAWN by R.Smith 170952

36.

Rule Amendment C1.9

Short Course

- Shall have an overall maximum length of 1000mm, and a minimum weight of 14Kgs and a maximum weight of 20Kg.
- Will have a Minimum width of 480mm, Maximum width, with tyres fitted of no more than 600mm when under full compression. It will also move freely in the size box.
- Shall have a minimum wheelbase of no less than 600mm (Axle Centres)
- When fully compressed should have a height no greater than 400mm.
- A bodyshell which covers the vehicles wheels must be securely fitted.
- Will contain a fuel tank that holds a maximum of 1000cc of fuel.
- Shall have a maximum engine of 30cc (1.8307 Cubic Inch)

WITHDRAWN by M.Buxton 163671

37.

Rule Amendment C 1.9

A bodyshell which covers the vehicles wheels must be fitted. Construction of a one piece bodyshell without cage allowed or panel / section bodyshell with cage allowed. These should be safely fitted to the vehicle and should be secure so can withstand a impact.

Proposed by P.Chester 151639 Seconded by M.Buxton 163671

Passed by Majority

38.

Rule Amendment C1.35

Tyre additives are strictly NOT allowed to be used

WITHDRAWN by R.Smith 170952

39.

Delete Rule 1.34

WITHDRAWN by R.Smith 170952

40.

Rule Amendment C1.9

Shall have an overall maximum length of 1000mm, a minimum weight of 14kgs and a maximum weight of 18kg

Proposed by R.Smith 170952

Failed no Seconder

Election of 2022 LSOR Section Officers

Section Chairman – Phil Chester 151639

Vice Chairman – position open

Secretary – Dane Whittleston 151038

Treasurer – Dane Whittleston 151038 (re-elected)

Race Director – Gary Burns 161099 (re-elected)

Safety Officer – Paul Gresty 9007 (re-elected)

Head Scrutineer – Phil Chester 151639 (re-elected)

Head Referee – Martyn Williams 180535

Media Officer – Richard Smith 170952

Web Master – Matt Buxton 163671

EFRA Rep – Ian Southey 4225

Any Other Business

Host club national % will looked to be increased for 2022. Exact change to be communicated as part of club agreement following finalisation of 2022 section budget.

Thank yous to committiee and members .

Meeting closed 15:43