



NATIONAL AUTOGRASS SPORT ASSOCIATION LTD.

Minutes of Marshals and Safety Officers combined meeting held on 3rd October 2015, Metro Inns, Birmingham Road, Walsall

(1) PRESENT:

Warren Beatty	NASA Director
Andy Preece	NASA Chief Marshal
Sandy Williams	NASA Marshals / Safety Officers Secretary

<u>League Chief Marshal</u>	<u>League Safety Officer</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>League</u>
Andy Preece	Andy Preece	01	East Midlands
Phill Preece	<i>Malcolm Butler</i>	<i>n/a</i>	02 Gloucestershire
<i>Adam Jones</i>	<i>Duncan Rea</i>	<i>n/a</i>	04 South Wales
<i>Ray Wyeth</i>	<i>Kevin Holl</i>	<i>n/a</i>	05 Southern
<i>Roger Morris</i>	<i>Eric Gittoes</i>	<i>n/a</i>	06 West Midlands
Paddy Bubb	Alan Bluck	07	MAP
<i>John McGrady</i>	<i>Alun Roberts</i>	<i>n/a</i>	09 North Western
<i>Martyn Tinker</i>	<i>John Howland</i>	<i>n/a</i>	10 North Yorkshire
<i>Andy Page</i>	<i>Dean Rochard</i>	<i>n/a</i>	11 Essex
<i>Rod Sutherland</i>	<i>Tim Simpson</i>	<i>n/a</i>	12 Yorkshire
<i>Matt Clayton</i>		<i>n/a</i>	13 West Wales
Spencer Warburton	Paul Hassell	14	East Anglian
<i>Connor Pipe</i>	<i>Martin Gould</i>	<i>n/a</i>	15 Shropshire
Paul Mason	<i>Simon Boddy</i>	<i>n/a</i>	16 CGTRO
<i>Paul Finn</i>	<i>John Berry</i>	<i>n/a</i>	18 Kent
<i>Lee Nickling</i>	<i>Terry Alderson</i>	<i>n/a</i>	19 Dales
<i>Stephen Irwin</i>		<i>n/a</i>	21 Northern Ireland
<i>Carl Smith</i>	<i>Maria Leyton</i>	<i>n/a</i>	22 Wiltshire
<i>Sean O'Neill</i>	<i>Patrick Sheehy</i>	<i>n/a</i>	23 Southern Ireland
<i>Carl Secker</i>	Ken Beals	24	Fenland
<i>Blair Robertson</i>	<i>Bert Keenan</i>	<i>n/a</i>	25 Scotland

Names in bold:

n/a:

Marshals and Safety Officers who attended the meeting

not attended the meeting

Marshals:-

Arran Warburton (East Midlands)

Safety Officers:-

Marcus Mills (West Midlands)

James Bubb (MAP)

(2) Apologies:

Eric Gittoes (West Midlands), Ray Wyeth (Southern), Malcolm Butler (Gloucs), Simon Boddy (CGTRO), Jason Baker (CGTRO).

The meeting commenced at 12.15 pm.

Andy, Chief Marshal welcomed everyone to the meeting.

(3) Minutes of 27th June 2015 meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed by Phill Preece (Gloucs) seconded by Spencer Warburton (East Anglian).

(4) Matters Arising as follows:-

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Use of a Blackboard by Marshals - trialled for 2015. All agreed, not worked, no longer a rule.

Fire Training: Warren is looking into this subject, will report back.

(5) CORRESPONDENCE:

Re: Stone issue on tracks:

(a) Received from Southern League – suggesting “Heras Fencing be used around the entire track as a minimum, attached to this should be chicken wire, also regular grading needs to be carried out on track”.

(b) CGTRO – May be have additional wording added to the current warning sign?

Discussion took place, Warren confirmed he is working with Chris Jones (Risk Services Manager for Doodsons), putting a framework together.

Input from Clubs / Leagues would be appreciated.

(c) 2 letters from MAP league concerning both Nationals and in particular the track and camping areas. Discussion took place, Warren confirmed the venue at YD for L & J had been inspected and various issues had been addressed.

All agreed, to be included within a track inspection should be the “track surface” (National level).

(6) AGENDA:

Items from Warren - SAFETY OFFICERS:

- **Nationals:** Radios – Marshals need to be on a different channel, to much interference. Arran Warburton can supply 14 radios and 5 headsets (host club/league will pay for these - 2015 charge £100).
- **Buddy training for younger / inexperienced marshals:** we need to encourage (from 16 yrs of age). Have a section printed in back of their licence (6 slots) so when each day has been completed, this can be signed by the experienced marshal, we can keep an easier paper trail this way.
- **Marshals hi-viz bibs:** to be supplied to these marshals upon completion of their training – try and get a sponsor?
- **Marshals / Safety Officers Handbook:** have a separate book from the members rule book (as used in previous years, Sandy gave Warren 3 past copies of these books).
- **Track Construction (insurance):** Warren putting together a framework.
- **Cameras:** work in progress.
- **Blackboard** – not working, all agreed no longer a rule.
- **Breath Testing:** can be carried out at any time as decided by the host club / league. See Item 15, pages 22 to 25 inc. in the 2015 Member’s Handbook, (this includes Juniors).
- **Track Inspections:** Warren to issue details on what will be happening in 2016.

NATIONALS 2015 - Comments:

- **Passes:** some marshals received gate / camping passes, others gate only and had to pay for camping, some didn’t receive one at all, gate money refunded but not camping. It would be appreciated for the regular marshalling team that they all receive a gate / camping pass.
- **Race Control Accommodation:** a double unit would be ideal, lap scorers to be upstairs and points and incidents downstairs. Radio connection with Chief Marshal and Pit Control required (2 separate radios / phones).
- **Commentators** are not the marshals; please refrain from making comments until the decision has been confirmed by the marshals.

RULE CHANGE FOR 2016:

- Constantly racing under a black flag – driver will be told to trailer up.

JUMP STARTS:

- Discussion took place and it was felt the current rule is adequate, also if clubs could use the same start line officials for their meetings it would help. See page 37, rule 19.20 “A driver making a “jump start”, i.e. starting to race before the signal is given to do so, will receive a black flag. However, if a vehicle makes any movement before the start signal is given and then stops in acknowledgement that the driver has jumped the start, then the driver may not be excluded from the race. A driver who clearly jumps the start will be black flagged. The race will only be stopped if the vehicle receiving the black flag is judged to have impeded other competitors”.

DISCUSSION ON RACE MEETINGS, club level and 2 day meetings, lack of help and support, what can be done to address this problem?

- Too many meetings in the racing calendar?
- Should the UK and BAS take a couple of years out to enable clubs to get more support at their regular one / two day meetings? Or, should there be only 4 rounds instead of 5, do away with the August meeting of the series – as this month is very congested with 2 day meetings?
- **Suggestions needed please.**

N.A.S.A. Initial Incident Report Sheet: In the case of a serious incident at a race meeting- this report sheet must be completed on the day of the incident and must be reported to our Insurance Brokers, Doodson Motorsport on the same day or by Monday a.m. following the meeting. DOODSON'S are available 24/7 on the following emails /numbers:

1. Chris Jones	cjones@doodsonbg.com	07768 887689	Risk Services Manager
2. John Capel	jcapel@doodsonbg.com	07551 154634	
3. Neil Clayton	nclayton@doodsonbg.com	07810 883330	Managing Director

It is a Serious Incident if:

- Fatalities or potential fatality
- Loss of sight or hearing
- Loss of limb/s inc. fingers/toes
- Paralysis
- Any incident where a driver, official or spectator is airlifted from the event
- Any spinal injury
- A spectator or official being hit by a participate vehicles
- Head injuries / unconscious
- Burns

To all Club and League Chief Marshals / Safety Officers please try and attend the meetings in 2016 – dates to be confirmed - 11am start.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.30pm.

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Please note: if a league requires any items for discussion – these must be put in writing to The Chief Track Marshal, 2 weeks before the meeting takes place. The letter must be signed by the League Chairman and Chief Marshal / or Safety Officer.