

NATIONAL AUTOGRASS SPORT ASSOCIATION LTD



Chairman's Meeting Minutes

9th April 2016

Venue: Metro Inns Birmingham Road, Walsall

Start time 11am

01	Nick Weir	East Midland League	NW
02	Darryl Smart	Gloucestershire League	Apologies
04	Manfred Kampschulte	South Wales League	MF
05	Ray Wyeth	Southern League	RW
06	Tony Griffiths	West Midland League	TG
07	Barry Holloway	MAP League	BH
09	Malcolm Cooper	North Western League	*replacement Dave Mansfield
10	Kevin Griffiths	North Yorkshire League	*replacement M Tinker
11	Lynn Thomas	Essex League	LT
12	John Lawson	Yorkshire League	APOLOGIES
13	Joan Bevans	West Wales League	JB
14	David Robins	East Anglian League	APOLOGIES
15	Patricia Ashley	Shropshire League	PA
16	Peter West	CGTRO League	PW
18	Derek Linch	Kent League	APOLOGIES
19	Richard Lewthwaite	The Dales League	
21	Bill Martin	Northern Ireland League	
22	Simon Jackson	Wiltshire League	SJ
23	Paul Meaney	Southern Ireland League	PM
24	Carole Shaw	Fenland League	Apol
25	Scott Pryde	Scottish League	

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26		Welsh Celtic League	Non attendance
	Diane Tomkinson	Secretary	DLT
	Simon Bentley	Director	SB
	Margaret Allen	Director	MA
	Ernie Ashley	Chairman	EA
	Sue Mansfield	LM	SM

1. Apologies

Derek Linch, Dave Robins, Kevin Griffiths Mal Cooper, Carole Shaw, Daryll Smart

2. Minutes of the Chairman's meeting Feb 2016

Policy for policy xs – not viable BH suggested large clubs should be able to afford to pay xs just helps smaller ones that can't. Suggestion all clubs put £50 in a pot but still only allow clubs to claim if evidence cannot afford £1000 xs PW suggested wait till incident happens then all put £50. MA said clubs wouldn't have to pay NASA in full she would spread cost.

Fixture List – TG did a promotion in Bromyard and found they were ideal. Discussion on a leaflet.

PM suggested App and promote and website. (suggested Josie looks into this)

Allocations leave as it is no other way to do it fair.

Steph Grasby was unable to attend today to give demonstration on breathalyser.

NEC – Waltham have pulled out of oval action we will wait to see what happens

L&J – TG said that Cwmdy would be happy to put on middle of Aug – **VOTE at June Meeting to move L&J nats to middle of Aug**

Bullet Sheet to be re hashed in safety officer meeting.

Track Inspections by Mr Simes will take place this year he is currently out of the country.

Discussion re returning gate money if a meeting cancelled – clubs can decide themselves.

Re arranging date of October meeting – 2nd or 15th October – will decide at next meeting which one to change October meetings to.

JB asked about fence posts being taller – Ludlow are testing a fence post left higher out of the ground.

3. Adoption of the minutes of the Chairman's meeting Feb 2016 proposed Lynn Thomas – Second – Pete West

4. ** Presentation on the Drugs Testing **

Presentation took place on the process of drug testing by

Showed the machine that test from saliva – results in 5mins.

If a driver has a non-negative result and have not declared any medication they will be dealt with per the drugs policy. Test costs £10 a test If goes to lab £30 A list of medication that could show non negative will be given. A driver must declare prior what they are taking. The test 'could' give a non-negative instead of negative no test is

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fool proof. Discussion took place on options of testing. Random tests could do after a meeting, if tipped off then they would need to be done there and then. RW it should be in the application that you declare what you are taking.

5. Treasurers Report

Current Account £62,326.70 Deposit Account £6,590.37 – Nothing o/s to pay at the moment Insurance have being paid in full.

28 cancelled meetings so far.

Insurance policy details will be emailed out this week.

6. Membership / licence report

Membership at the moment is as below

8.4.16 – 3367

8.4.15 – 3475

As you can see we are still below what we had last year and by the sum of 168. Please remember that racing has now started and in the first instance make sure that all criteria for applying for your licences are followed correctly as if not this will delay licences being issued and may affect your members racing at qualifying meetings. Correct postage needs adding, correct forms needs filling in and signing and send to us. Please always remember to send the consent forms, if juniors or under 18's. Racing has started too and whilst we have not had many meetings, the signing on sheets still needs to be sent to Elaine within the time frame. Please make sure again that the correct postage is put on the envelopes and also add a return address on the back of the envelope just in case. It may be wise to get proof of posting too, if you are in any doubt. You can always drop Elaine an email to let her know they have been posted and are on the way, please help us to help you. The last date to count for signing on sheets to count towards allocations is Sunday 22nd May. These must be received by no later than Wednesday 25th May. Whoever had meetings on the relevant date last year managed to get the signing on sheets to Elaine in good time, which was fantastic, as we did not have any that did not count. So again please make sure that you post all of these on the Monday straight after your meeting with the correct postage on. Many thanks to everyone and if anyone has any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch with me by email or mobile phone. Hope everyone enjoys their racing in 2016 B Harper

Discussion on reducing members – many reasons could be contributing.

7. Directors Report

NASA VICE CHAIRMAN

Welcome Lynn to the position

Lynn attended part of the last board meeting and will have a regular invitation alongside Ernie in future.

SCRUTINEERING

Tagging on going done over 2000 cars

Leagues are encouraged to make tagging compulsory for qualifying, but we can't yet insist on that at NASA level. "red tag" will start shortly and will be done by scrutineers. Designated Team Vern sorting.

Rule clarifications all in scrutineers' minutes

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Mini Pickup bulletin was issued.

All future bulletins will be on the website and linked on Facebook

Experimental cars – class 2 yaris & polo class 1 – in build c2-107

MARSHALLING

New marshals' Facebook page is up and running under guidance of Arran Warburton.

Working on promotion of NASA "top team" of marshals – new Hi Viz etc, actions to ensure marshals properly looked after by meeting hosts.

Plan to introduce a training element to marshals' quarterly meetings in future by discussing video playbacks

SAFETY

Warren working on new risk assessments – bullet sheet to be issued in meeting.

Unauthorised warning signs – don't put them up without clearing with Warren first, as they might seem a good idea but could actually work against you in liability claims.

DISCIPLINARY

Club official disciplined for signing on before a licence had been applied for – investigated, considered a genuine oversight and dealt with by issuing a written reprimand to avoid penalising the club members more than the individual.

LICENCES, MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Currently discussing changes to the licence form to include more detailed disclosures of medical conditions – taking advice from solicitors. Discussion re racing over 75 or fit to race TG said should they be able to get out of the car in so many seconds. GP letters might be needed to confirm if fit if had past serious illness.

DRUG TESTING

Discussed-had presentation.

Warren developing policy and protocol for testing

FIXTURE UPDATES

Reminder to keep official website informed and up to date if a meeting is cancelled or re scheduled.

NEWSLETTER

Issue 2 published this week – request feedback on content, other issues that could be included

BROMYARD FESTIVAL OF MOTORING

Thank Tony Griffiths and West Midland League for their efforts to promote Autograss at this event

NATIONAL FILE

Feedback has now been received from a meeting between Wiltshire League and the liaison directors and issues arising will be incorporated in the 2016 issue of the national file, which should be ready for approval at the next Board meeting. TG asked if price increase for 2016 – No.

CHAMPIONSHIP PERMITS

NASA permits are to be issued to the following championships:

BAS

UKAC

All Ireland

Eastern Open Challenge

British F600

Stock Hatch Tour

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Permits are required for anything that goes beyond a club or league championship.

BAS and UKAC representatives attended last board meeting to discuss procedures and approve any rule changes.

Special emphasis placed on consistency of scrutineering procedures between the two series.

8. Nationals 2016

Simon Jackson reported that all ok – asked for permission to draw the running order of the finals – **FEEDBACK from clubs for June meeting**

Camping fee will be £5 a night – Sunday night free of charge

9. Nationals 2017 – strongly in favour of moving L&J to August

11. Correspondence:-

1. West Midlands League - Have two licences, a racing licence and a non-racing licence, rather than a men's, ladies, members, mechanics etc.

MA said membership reduced cost as usually clubs pay for them. SB said was approached regarding this and suggesting a non driver licence –last year we had 550 Mech 429 Officials
This would effect clubs that give officials licences.

2. North Western - Using NCR pads of say 50 instead of the write in triplicate day license forms we have a present.

Day Licences are to be redesigned so in triplicate – MA said clubs wouldn't want to pay for 50 day licences in one go.

12. Log Book - nothing

13. AOB

PW – head height in cars – scrutineering issue but all chairman made aware

Allocations – DM asked due to weather would allocations be effected – DLT said Barb always takes weather and cancelled meetings into consideration

LT – Experimental car not collecting points – this is a ukac problem due to the way they allocate running order.

LT asked if Ambulance at Trent was in use – PW confirmed yes a 4x4

LT– Niece got a race meeting blog asked if everyone can share

RW – asked about a drome – need a licence

PW- asked about a rule about time in ambulance – no in the rule book anymore how long they need to be in the ambulance – DLT received email from N Thompson and will reply – everyone under impression if medical team say you're okay to go then they are the ones to decide.

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DLT read out suggestions from Kent on how they feel they run a successful club (this was requested from last chairmans meeting)

MEETING CLOSED 14.15

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