



NATIONAL AUTOGRASS SPORT ASSOCIATION LTD.

Minutes of Marshals and Safety Officers combined meeting held on 8th April 2017, Metro Inns, Birmingham Road, Walsall

(1) PRESENT:

Dave Bennett	NASA Chief Marshal
Sandy Williams	NASA Marshals / Safety Officers Secretary
Phil Rogers	NASA Director for Marshals

<u>League Chief Marshal</u>		<u>League Safety Officer</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>League</u>
Mick Frost	n/a	Mick Wood	01	East Midlands
Kevin Mumford		Malcolm Butler	n/a	02 Gloucestershire
Stuart Thomas	n/a	Duncan Rea	n/a	04 South Wales
Phill Preece		Kevin Holl	05	Southern
James Lewis	n/a	Neil Griffiths	06	West Midlands
Paddy Bubb		Steph Grasby	n/a	07 MAP
Lynn Cooper		Dave Mansfield	09	North Western
Martyn Tinker	n/a	John Howland	n/a	10 North Yorkshire
Andy Page	n/a	Paul Maxim	n/a	11 Essex
Rod Sutherland	n/a	Dougie Goodwin	n/a	12 Yorkshire
Mark Hill	n/a	Matt Hay	n/a	14 East Anglian
Dan Faulkner	n/a	Connor Pipe	n/a	15 Shropshire
Paul Mason	n/a	Terry Williams	n/a	16 CGTRO
Gareth Lowden	n/a	John Berry	n/a	18 Kent
Lee Nickling	n/a	Jody Lovatt	n/a	19 Dales
Colin Wood	n/a	John Marley	n/a	21 Northern Ireland
Dave Bennett		Phil Badman	n/a	22 Wiltshire
Seamus O'Riordan	n/a	Sean O'Neill	n/a	23 Southern Ireland
Carl Secker	n/a	Melvyn Clayton	n/a	24 Fenland
Blair Robertson	n/a	Mandy Kennedy	25	Scotland

Names in bold:
n/a:

League Marshals and Safety Officers who attended the meeting
not attended the meeting

Visiting Marshals:-

Sandy Williams (CGTRO)

Visiting Safety Officers:-

Steve Belcher (CGTRO)
Jason Baker (CGTRO)
Brian Morgan (WM)
J. Wood (Mrs) (EM)

(2) Apologies:

Warren Beatty, Director for Safety, Ray Wyeth (05 - Southern), Martyn Tinker (10 - North Yorkshire), John Howland (10- North Yorkshire), Stuart Thomas (04- South Wales), Terry Williams (16 – CGTRO), Paul Mason (16- CGTRO), Gareth Lowden (18-Kent), John Berry (18- Kent), Steph Grasby (07- MAP), Andy Preece (01- East Midlands), Malcolm Butler (02- Gloucs),

The meeting commenced at 11.08 am.

Dave, Chief Marshal, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

(3) **Minutes** of 19th February 2017 meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed by Mick Wood (East Midlands) seconded by Phill Preece (Southern).

(4) Matters Arising from the 19.2.17 meeting as follows:-

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Outcome of Marshals per post: to remain as per current ruling in members handbook, see page 35, rule 19.6.

Replies received: 5 in favour of current rule - North Yorkshire, Essex, CGTRO, Kent & Southern Ireland
2 in favour of minimum 2 per post - S.Wales & North Western
2 leagues (MAP & Southern) suggesting alternatives
11 leagues – didn't reply, as per email sent to leagues, if no reply received by 1.4.17 it will be taken they are in agreement with the current ruling.

NOTE: Marshals per post – the Chief Track Marshal on the day will decide on how many per post.

- **Marshals Handbook** – Phil wanting input from the marshals / safety officers and to be completed by the end of the year. Mandy (Scotland) had produced 3 pages of notes which she gave to Phil Rogers.
- **Track Markers on the bends:** Letter received from Evesham suggesting tyres, South Wales are going to trial a format of tyres (large/small) further discussion took place.
- **Fire Training session:** Steph (MAP) has spoken to Micky Manning. Micky waiting to hear from Warren. NASA will fund the training but there must be a good attendance. Dates and times to be arranged, suggested MAP and the Mens Nationals **Note:** Some clubs receive fire training from the people who carry out the checking of their clubs Fire Extinguishers.
- **Paddy Bubb (MAP)** to check if training can go ahead at the MAP, he will report back to Jason Baker, who will then put on NASA website.

Nationals:

- Forms available for the National Marshalling team to complete. The following have put their names forward to assist at the Nationals (19.2.17):-

<i>Dave Bennett</i>	<i>Chief Marshal</i>	<i>mens, L & J</i>
<i>Stuart Thomas</i>	<i>Assistant Chief Marshal</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Andy Preece</i>	<i>East Midlands</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Phill Preece</i>	<i>Southern</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Malcolm Butler</i>	<i>Gloucs</i>	<i>mens, L & J</i>
<i>Paddy Bubb</i>	<i>MAP</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Stuart Miles</i>	<i>North Western</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Arran Warburton</i>	<i>East Anglian</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Spencer Warburton</i>	<i>East Anglian</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Dave Page</i>	<i>Cwmdu</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Paula Baker</i>	<i>CGTRO</i>	<i>ditto (finish line)</i>
<i>Andrew Goodwin</i>	<i>CGTRO</i>	<i>ditto (finish line)</i>
<i>Paul Meaney</i>	<i>Southern Ireland</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Ray Wyeth</i>	<i>Southern</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Pete West</i>	<i>CGTRO</i>	<i>ditto (spotter)</i>
<i>Terry Williams</i>	<i>CGTRO</i>	<i>ditto (spotter)</i>
<i>Mandy Kennedy</i>	<i>Scotland</i>	<i>ditto (assist with cameras)</i>
<i>Gareth Lowden</i>	<i>Kent</i>	<i>mens only</i>
Safety Officers duties:		
<i>Steph Grasby</i>	<i>MAP</i>	<i>mens, L & J</i>

Additional names added to marshalling team (8.4.17):

<i>Joshua Clayton</i>	<i>South Wales (PAC)</i>	<i>mens, L & J (finish line)</i>
<i>Matthew Clayton</i>	<i>South Wales (PAC)</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Paul Clayton</i>	<i>South Wales (PAC)</i>	<i>ditto</i>
<i>Kevin Mumford</i>	<i>Gloucs</i>	<i>ditto</i>

Dave, Phil & Warren have had a meeting with the host club, Cwmdru. Discussion followed and all were in agreement with:-

- Dave Page, Cwmdru marshal to assist on the start line
- Finish line – chequered flag to be on the inside and outside of the track
- Spotting towers to be used
- The use of a big screen showing the racing for spectators
- Cameras – 1 near lap scorers, 1 behind the start line, 1 the other side of the track
- Carl Smith to be on the camera
- Mandy Kennedy from Scotland offered to help with the cameras
- Steph Grasby, Safety Officers duties
- Marshals will receive a free camping and entry pass

Further discussion regarding the Nationals. Phil Rogers has received a quote for a screen & cameras, very reasonably priced.

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Towing Eye: this matter has been passed to Vernon for the scrutineers to address.

5. Correspondence: Brought up in above items.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Marshals licence: have a section to record the qualifications of the said marshal.

b. Vehicles allowed on the track infield whilst racing is in progress, see page 38, rule 19.37 “**No more than two vehicles other than race cars are allowed**”.

c. Excessive smoke from cars – see page 37, rule 19.22 “**Any vehicle emitting or causing the emission of excessive smoke or noise may be shown the Black Flag, or be noise tested immediately after the race has finished. A vehicle may pass the NASA noise test and still be considered too noisy to race. Such a decision may be made only by the Chief Track Marshal on the day**”.

The Chief Track Marshal's Decision is absolute and Final

It would be appreciated if all Marshals and Safety Officers – from all leagues and clubs could attend these meetings and any training days that are organised.

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DATES FOR 2017 MEETINGS, 11am starts
10 June, 14 October

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.40 pm.

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NASA AGM 26 November 2017- 12 noon

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.

Brought forward from previous minutes:

(4) DRIVERS BRIEFING – BULLET POINTS

1. Autograss racing is a non-contact motorsport. Contact will not be tolerated!
2. Ensure you are signed on for every car you intend driving, be they yours or otherwise.
3. If officiating, you must be signed on the Officials signing on sheet.
4. If you move prior to the bungee this will be considered a jump start and you will be black flagged. If you move but then let other competitors start prior to yourself your penalty will be at the marshal's discretion.
5. All safety equipment such as goggles and wrist restraints must be worn and fitted in the correct manner. Failure to do so will result in being excluded from the race and / or invalidate NASA insurance.
6. Disturbing 2 track markers on the same corner is a green flag offence. 3 is a black flag offence.
7. Taking down a single track marker and gaining advantage is a black flag offence.
8. From the start line, obstructing or contact with other competitors, howsoever caused, will be construed as dangerous driving and a black flag offence.
9. Abusive and / or aggressive behaviour in any way to any other person will not be tolerated and will be subject to the NASA disciplinary procedures laid down in your Member's Handbook.