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Speedway Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting held 24th & 25th March, 2018

PRESENT: Ivan Golding Matt Jones Shane Parker
APOLOGY: NIL
MEETING OPENS: Saturday 24th March

Item No.	Raised By	Rule # (Issue/Item)	Existing Rule	Proposed Rule Change & Rationale	Commissions Recommendation
SW832		Welcome / apologies	Pip Harrison Opened the meeting and Welcomed those present.		
SW833		Confirmation of minutes	Minutes of the 2017 meeting are confirmed as a true record of the meeting.		

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SW834	Lyal Allen, Gavin Wilson & David Mills	15.10.21.1	In speedway, the functions and authority of Steward and Clerk of Course, as described in Chapter 2 will be exercised.	<p>Rule Change:</p> <p>When on duty, during practice and Racing, the Referee exercises supreme control over the meeting and is responsible for ensuring that all regulations are observed. The Referee may inflict a penalty on any person who fails to comply with any regulation or instruction given, or is guilty of misconduct, disloyalty or unfair behaviour, or who shows by word or action dissent from any decision given by the referee or other authorised Official.</p> <p>Rationale:</p> <p>The consequences of dissent for Referee decisions made during the race are rapidly escalating. The consequences is that new Referees are discouraged from continuing for the majority. Both paragraphs were used in MA speedway rules from up to 1999. It has always been in the FIMN code for over 50 years. Both paragraphs have been taken from the current FIM code. Both are required, and one without the other does not allow the authority to be established. MA needs this rule restored now, to have a chance of gaining new Referees. The experience of three submitting this request, is over 900 race meetings over a period exceeding 110 years.</p>	<p>Commission Agree to ADD to 15..10.21.1 Rule to Read In Speedway, the functions and authority of Steward and Clerk of Course, as described in Chapter 2 will be exercised.</p> <p>15.21.10.1 a) The Referee exercises supreme control over the meeting and is responsible for ensuring that all regulations are observed. The Referee may inflict a penalty on any person who fails to comply with any regulations or instructions given, or is guilty of misconduct, disloyalty or unfair behaviour, or who shows by word or action dissent from any decision given by the Referee or other authorised Official.</p>
SW835	Ross Edwards	Cameras	All Disciplines, General Rules, Cameras Cameras may be fitted to the motorcycle provided they are securely mounted. Camera mounts are subject to approval by the Chief Scrutineer. Helmet cameras are not permitted unless the camera is integrated into the helmet, by design of the manufacturer.	<p>Rule Change:</p> <p>All Disciplines, General Rules, Cameras Cameras may be fitted to the motorcycle provided they are securely mounted. Camera mounts are subject to approval by the Chief Scrutineer. Helmet cameras are not permitted unless the camera is integrated into the helmet, by design of the manufacturer. Cameras mounted to any part of the body are not permitted.</p> <p>Rationale:</p> <p>After the banning of helmet cameras I have noticed a trend towards and have been asked if chest mounted cameras are permitted. Although not banned specifically, it is of great concern from a safety point should a rider crash and land face first on any track surface. A ban on body mounted cameras to go along with the ban on helmet cameras would remove the safety concern.</p>	<p>Commission already agree to this issue approved change to 2018 GCRs 15.7.2.1 Cameras cannot be attached to any part of the competitors body.</p>
SW836	Commission	Under Pan 15.25.1. 10	Present Rule 15.25.1.10 Underpan must cover underside of sidecar from the front fairing rail to the sidecar main cross tube and cover the underside of the engine. Underside must be constructed of :	<p>Rule Change:</p> <p>Change of wording for rule 15.25.1.10 The underpan must cover underside of sidecar from the front fairing rail to the sidecar main cross bar and the underside of the engine and MUST be a minimum of 500mm wide from the kneeling pad side of engine,</p>	<p>Commission agree this change to this rule after talking with Riders</p>

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SW837	Commission	Mud Guards.	Revisit 15. 24. 5. 2 b)		Commission agree more work to be done with trial mud flaps before adding to the rules.
SW838	Don Ireland	Machine Examining	Letter of concern at National Championships		Discussed in General business Re NON compliant between states of Machine examining.
SW839	MSA Classic	Rule Change 15.27.4	<p>15.27.4 For the classic class - British & American and classic class Japanese Sidecar.</p> <p>15.27.4.1 riders must be aged 30years or over at the date of competition,</p> <p>15.27.4.2 sidecar Passengers must be 16 years or over at date of competition,</p> <p>15.27.4.3 Machines and all parts used in their construction are to be commercially available in their selected era only.</p> <p>15.27.4.4 All machines must comply with GCR 15.18.1.5 (Kill Swich)</p> <p>15.27.4.5 Maximum standard engine capacity of 1020cc and no reconditioning tolerance allowed.</p> <p>15.27.4.6 Only machines of the type raced in Australian Speedway competition for the selected era will be eligible</p>	<p>Proposed Rule Change;</p> <p>15.27.4 For Cassic Classes - British, European, American and Japaneses Classic / Post Classic Classes,</p> <p>15.27.4.1 All Machines must comply with GCR 15.18.1.5 (Kill Swich)</p> <p>15.27.4.2 Maximum standard engine capacity of 1020cc and no reconditioning tolerance is allowed. or 750cc 4 Valve air cooled.</p> <p>15.27.4.3 Only machines of the type raced in Australian Speedway competition for the selected era will be eligible.</p> <p>The following changes affect Classic Speedway Sdecars.</p> <p>The reason for these changes is the current rules are th restrictive and do not allow younger competitors to compete.</p> <p>The majority of Classic Sidecar competition is low key practice, club day or support event " demonstrations " at sanctioned meetings. I know of only three, which could be called major events for Classi, Sidecars, If the promoters of these events wish to further claify the Classes to be run at these events they can do so through their Supplementary Rugulations.</p>	MA Speedway Agree with these changes.
SW840	MSA Classic	15.27.3.1	Add to Solo engines 15.27.3.1	<p>Proposed New Rules;</p> <p>15.27.3.1 h) Post Classic</p> <p>Four Valve engine (or conversion) must have been manufactured for Speedway before 31st December 1994.</p> <p>single cyclinder, four valve with push rod or OHC operation.</p> <p>with a round slide carburettor of 36mm Maximum bore.</p>	Speedway Commission agree to these new additions.
SW841	MSA Classic	Rule Change 15.27.8	<p>15.27.8.2 Present rule.</p> <p>Motors will be maximum two valve DOHC multi-cylinderair cooled engines manufactured prior to 31st December 1985.</p>	<p>15.27.8.2 New Rule to read.</p> <p>Motors will be maximum four valve DOHC multi-cylinder engines manufactured prior to 31st December 1986.</p> <p>Rationale;</p> <p>This class covers a period from 1981 to 1987, in that period a number of four valve percyclinder engines were manufactured and used. there are currently a number of these machines sitting in sheds which we need to have on our tracks.</p>	Commission agree with this change
SW842	MSA Classic	15.27.8.3	<p>15.27.8.3 Present Rule; Body work and fairings to be type and material relevant to the period.</p>	<p>15.27.8.3 Rule change to read;</p> <p>work and fairings to be type and material relevent to the period. No later than eliminator type wedge, constructed of fibreglass.</p>	Commission agree with this change
SW843	MSA Classic	15.27.8.1	<p>15.27.8.1 Present rule;</p> <p>This class will cover machines using period style and purpose built frames.</p>	<p>15.27.8.1 New rule ;</p> <p>class will cover machines using period style and purpose built frames. Mitch style frames NOT permitted</p> <p>To bring Evolution class in to line with other changes.</p>	Commission agree with this change

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SW844	Commission	15.26.1.1	The overall width must not exceed 1250mm	Rule Change; The overall width must not exceed 1400mm Rationale; To allow a number of junior sidecars presently racing to be legal.	Commission approve this rule change
SW845	Commission	15.10.17.1 e)	Discussion on table change	After discussion with some Referee's it was decided to leave as is.	Commission believe Referee's using thsi table do not have any issues leave as is.

MEETING CLOSES: 5.30pm 24.3.2018