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Dirt Track Commission Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Dirt Track meeting held at the Airport Motel, Melbourne on April 4 & 5, 2009.

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IN ATTENDANCE: Nil

Item No.	Issue	Raised By	Recommended / Proposed Action	Decision	Rationale / Consultation	Lead	Action Date
DT356	Dirt Track & Track Classes	Comm		The Commission recommends that all SCB's use the categories for Australian Dirt Track & Track Championship for all State Championship Categories as per 13.2.8	Rationale: State Championships are a stepping stone to the Australian Championship and therefore the categories should mirror each other to give competitor uniformity.	MA/SCB's	
DT357	85cc 4-Stroke Modified Class	Comm & W.Gardner		The Commission recommends the 85cc 4 Stroke Class be changed back to 80cc 4 Stroke, as this was changed in haste after the Dirt Track Forum without any real discussion by the Commission.	Rationale: The Commission feel that we need to keep all Classes consistent with what the Manufacturers produce, i.e.; 80cc 4 Stroke Motorcycle. We feel if the engine capacity tolerance is lifted for the Class from 2% as per 12.4.5.1 to 5%, this would allow for all four OEM Oversize Pistons to be used and still stay within tolerances thus keeping costs to a minimum.	MA/SCB's	

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DT358	80cc 4 Stroke Modified Class	Wayne Gardner		After reading the Submission by Wayne, the Commission recommends for the 80cc 4 Stroke Class the following. The only limiting rules for this Class be 80cc 4 Stroke with a 5% tolerance, OEM Frame (Original Equipment Manufacturer) and 2 Valve Cylinder Head.	After reading the Submission by Wayne, the Commission recommends for the 80cc 4 Stroke Class the following. The only limiting rules for this Class be 80cc 4 Stroke with a 5% tolerance, OEM Frame (Original Equipment Manufacturer) and 2 Valve Cylinder Head.	MA/SCB's	
DT359	Amend Senior Dirt Track & Track Classes 13.2.8		After the Dirt Track Forum held in Qld & NSW and reading the recommendation from MQ that the rule be altered and read as presented below. The Commission feels this will bring Dirt Track and Track into line and be more identifiable with other disciplines.	Dirt Track & Track Pro Lites 100cc to 150cc 2 Stroke & 200cc to 250cc 4 Stroke - MX Frame Pro Open 250cc 2 Stroke & 450cc 4 Stroke - MX Frame Add Class 250cc Slider Class - Combined Slider & MX until 1.1.2011	Rationale: Re: 250cc Slider Class - The Commission would like to give this Class a chance to grow. The Commission has used the information received from the National Dirt Track Survey. The Survey consensus was to split Sliders and MX Frames. By allowing MX Frames until 1 st January 2011 to compete in this Class, it would allow this Class a chance to grow.	MA/SCB's	
DT360	13.2.8			Delete: Unlimited Class including 500cc 4 Stroke Slider Change to: Unlimited Open Slider & MX Frame Rationale: To encourage the growth of the 500cc Slider Class Alter: 500cc 2 Stroke & Over 450cc 4 Stroke to MX Open	Rationale: To bring into line with Manufacturers	MA/SCB's	
DT361	13.2.8			Delete: 600cc Sidecar	Rationale: Due to lack of support; but are still able to ride in the 1100cc Sidecar Class	MA/SCB's	
DT362				Delete: Quads Open 2 Stroke up to 550cc modified , Open 4 Stroke up to 700cc modified and 450cc 4 Stroke & 300cc 2 Stroke Add: Quads Pro Open 450cc 4 Stroke and Unlimited Open	Rationale: This will bring these Classes into line with Manufacturers and therefore develop these Classes in Dirt Track and Track.	MA/SCB's	

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DT363			The following table would be the proposed classes as per 13.2.8 Senior Australian Championships			MA/SCB's	

Dirt Track			Track	
Classes	Capacities		Classes	Capacities
Pro Lites	100cc to 150cc 2 Stroke & 200cc to 250cc 4 Stroke MX Frame		Pro Lites	100cc to 150cc 2 Stroke & 200cc to 250cc 4 Stroke MX Frame
Pro Open	250cc 2 Stroke & 450cc 4 Stroke MX Frame		Pro Open	250cc 2 Stroke & 450cc 4 Stroke MX Frame
250 Slider	Up to 250cc		250 Slider	Up to 250cc
MX Open	500cc 2 Stroke & Over 460cc 4 Stroke MX Frame		MX Open	500cc 2 Stroke & Over 460cc 4 Stroke MX Frame
Unlimited Open	Unlimited MX & Slider		500cc Long Track Slider	500cc 4 Stroke Slider
Womens Open	Unlimited Capacity MX Frame		Womens Open	Unlimited Capacity MX Frame
1100cc Dirt Track Sidecar	Up to 1100cc Dirt Track Sidecar		1100cc Dirt Track Sidecar	Up to 1100cc Dirt Track Sidecar
			1100cc Long Track Sidecar	Up to 1100cc Long Track Sidecar
Quads Pro Open	450cc 4 Stroke OEM Frame		Quads Pro Open	450cc 4 Stroke OEM Frame
Quads Unlimited	Unlimited Capacity OEM Frame		Quads Unlimited	Unlimited Capacity OEM Frame

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DT364	Removal of Rules			Remove: 12.16.0.3 Junior Dirt Track & Long Track from all disciplines	Rationale: The rules in Chapter 12 have been duplicated in Chapter 20 and are missing in Chapter 21. They need to be copied from Chapter 20 and placed into Chapter 21 which is the most logical place in the MOM's for these rules.	MA/SCB's	
DT365	Amend: 13.2.9			Alter: 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Standard Wheels 9-U11yrs Change to: 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Standard Wheels, OEM MX Frame 9-U11yrs Alter: 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Standard Wheels 11-U13 yrs, 13-U16 yrs Change to: 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke, Standard & Big Wheels, OEM MX Frame 11-U13 yrs, 13-U16 yrs Delete: 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Big Wheels 11-U13 yrs , 13-U16 yrs	Rationale: Competitors should be able to ride Standard Wheels or Big Wheels in this Class. It eliminates an unnecessary Class.	MA/SCB's	
DT366	Amend: 13.2.9			Alter: 85cc 4 Stroke 8-U11 yrs; 11-U14 yrs Change to: 80cc 4 Stroke as per DT357 & DT358. Age group change to 7-U11 yrs, 11-U14 yrs	Rationale: The Commission would like to encourage riders moving up from the 50cc Class to a more rider friendly bike to step up to. At present, Junior's move straight into the 65cc Class which is a much harder Class to learn on. By allowing a 7 year old to ride an 80cc 4 Stroke, this would give the rider extra rides and more practice time.	MA/SCB's	

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DT367	Amend Rules: 20.7.0.1 & 21.4.2.1			Riders are eligible to enter one Class above capacity of the machine entered. The Commission recommends that 20.7.0.1 & 21.4.2.1 read Riders are eligible to enter one Class above capacity of the machine entered for Senior Riders only.	Rationale: To give Competitors the opportunity of additional rides but only at Senior level.	MA/SCB's	
DT368	Amend Rule: 21.9.7.1			The commission recommends that the rule should read All races will be a minimum of 4 Laps	Rationale: This allows Promoters and Club's to run longer races.	MA/SCB's	
DT369	Amend: Addition to Rule's 20.8.3 & 21.8.1			Unless otherwise determined in the SR's All Competitors must be called to the start line at least 2 minutes before each start	Rationale: This will allow the meeting to flow whilst being fair to all Competitors.	MA/SCB's	
DT370	Additional Classes 13.2.9			85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Standard & Big Wheel, OEM MX Frame - Junior Girls 11-U16 yrs 100cc to 150cc 2 Stroke & 200cc to 250cc 4 Stroke, MX Frame - Junior Girls 13-U16 yrs 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Slider Class 13-U16 yrs 100cc to 150cc 2 Stroke & 200cc to 250cc 4 Stroke Slider Class 13-U16 yrs	Rationale: From the Forum and Dirt Track Survey, it was recommended for Slider and MX Frames be separated. It is recommended by the Commission that Competitors should be a minimum of 13 yrs of age to ride a Slider, as at this age they should be physically strong enough to control a Slider. The Commission would like to encourage more Women into the sport. By giving them their own stand alone Classes, we would hope that this will encourage riders to bring their Sisters or Girlfriends along to participate.	MA/SCB's	
DT371	Amend: 13.2.9		Amendment to rule 13.2.9 to include and read as: Dirt track & Track			MA/SCB's	

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65cc	MX FRAME			7-U 9 YRS, 9-U 13 YRS			
85cc	2 STROKE & STANDARD OEM MX FRAME	150cc 4	STROKE WHEEL	9-U11 YRS			
85cc	2 STROKE & STANDARD OEM MX FRAME	150cc 4 BIG	STROKE WHEEL	11-U13 YRS, 13-U16 YRS			
85cc	2 STROKE & STANDARD OEM JUNIOR GIRLS	150cc 4 BIG MX	STROKE WHEEL FRAME	11-U16 YRS			
85cc	2 STROKE & SLIDER	150cc 4	STROKE	13-U 16 YRS			
80cc	4 STROKE OEM FRAME		MODIFIED	7-U11 YRS, 11- U14 YRS			
100cc	2 STROKE TO MX FRAME	150cc 2	STROKE	13-U 16 YRS			
100cc	TO 150cc 2 STROKE & JUNIOR GIRLS	200cc TO 250cc 4	MX FRAME	13-U 16 YRS			
100cc	TO 150cc 2 STROKE & SLIDER	200cc TO 250cc 4		13-U 16 YRS			
200cc	TO 250cc 4 STROKE MX FRAME			13-U 16 YRS			

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DT372	Additional Rule to 12.17.3 Junior Solo Wheel Sizes			Add to rule 12.17.3 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Big Wheel (Dirt Track & Track) Front 19" Rear 16" or 17" 85cc 2 Stroke & 150cc 4 Stroke Standard Wheel (Dirt Track & Track) Front 17" Rear 14"	Rationale: This would bring wheel sizes into line with Manufacturers Models.	MA/SCB's	
DT373	2010 Australian Championships - Dirt Track & Track			The Commission recommends running the Australian Championships as a combined Senior and Junior Championship. With the drop in Senior Competitors and the current economic climate, we feel that combining Senior and Junior together would better create the promotion for our discipline. It would be more viable for Clubs to promote with more competitors across the board. The Commission recommends that the Championship be run over 3 days. The timetable would be: Sign on, Scrutineering and practice on Friday The Race Format would be the same for both Senior and Junior 3 Heats and 1 Repercharge with a 3 Round Final Series for Classes with 12 or more Competitors or 7 Rounds for Classes with less than 12 Competitors.	This recommendation would suit the many families that have both Senior and Junior Competitor's who currently have to travel to 2 Long Track Titles and 2 Dirt Track Titles. This would make an attractive proposition for a Promoter. The Commission recommends Easter for Australian Senior & Junior Track Championships. The Commission recommends the 1 st Weekend in October for the Australian Senior & Junior Dirt Track Championships.	MA/SCB's	

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DT374	Amend: Rule 12.10.1.1			This Rule currently lists Dirt Track as 94/96db and Track as 98db and Speedway as 98db. The Commission recommends that Dirt Track be changed back to 98db to be in line with Track and Speedway.	Rationale: By changing back to 98db this will allow Track and Speedway Riders who currently cross over and ride our discipline to ride the same Motorcycles they use for Track and Speedway without any problems. FIM are undertaking a new method of noise testing in 2010, which will be for more relevant than the current method.	MA/SCB's	
DT375	Alteration: Rule 20.10.9			Alter: All races will be scored using the scoring system in Chapter GCR 12.13 Change to: All races will be scored using the scoring system in Chapter GCR 12.14		MA/SCB's	
DT376	Alteration: Rule 13.2.8 Quad Motocross			Classes to read: Pro Open Men - 450cc 4 Stroke Pro Open Women - 450cc 4 Stroke Unlimited Open - Capacity Unlimited	Rationale: This would bring the Classes into line with Manufacturers Models.	MA/SCB's	
DT377	Alteration: Rule 24.6 Capacity Classes – Supermoto			Delete Quads Open 2 Stroke Delete Quads Open 4 Stroke Delete Quads 450cc Delete Quads 300cc Add Class: Pro Open - Capacity: 450cc 4 Stroke Add Class: Unlimited Open - Capacity: Unlimited	Rationale: This would bring the Classes into line with Manufacturers Models.	MA/SCB's	

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DT378	Current economic climate				The current economic climate that is affecting our Discipline is having the same impact on all Disciplines and other Sports. Travel is a major expense that families face. The Commission recommends we combine the Senior and Junior Australian Championships which will directly help everybody involved including Volunteers, Officials, Competitors and Promoters. Environmental issues are always high on our priority list. By noise testing and a new measure introduced using Enviro Mats, the Commission is in touch with Environmental issues.	MA	
DT379	Alteration 20.5.0.3 & 21.5.0.3 to read:			Environmental Protection – Protective matting must be rubber backed or a catch tray measuring a minimum of 500mm x 500mm which must be placed underneath the engine/gearbox and fuel tank of all Motorcycles whilst parked in the pit, paddock or work area.		MA/SCB's	
DT380	New Rule 20.8.3.3 Standardize Starting System			Standard starting system will be tape starts.	Rationale: The Commission believe that tape starts are a safer and fairer system, as some Club's currently have self penalizing gates which often have different heights and drop at different times. The Commission believes tapes would be a much better and fairer system and are much less expensive than a gate system. The Commission believes that it would be appropriate to introduce this system by 1 st January 2011 as this would give the Club's sufficient time to adopt the tape start system.	MA/SCB's	

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DT381	Rule 12.16.0.4			<p>4 Stroke non-motocross type machines 80cc to 160cc are approved for competition under the following conditions.</p> <p>Change to: 4 Stroke non-motocross type machines 80cc to 160cc excluding 80cc 4 Stroke Modified for Dirt Track and Track are approved for competition under the following conditions.</p>		MA/SCB's	
DT382	Amend: Rule 21.8.1.5			<p>The first competitor who touches the tapes after the displaying of the green light and before the tapes are raised will be excluded and the event will be re-started.</p> <p>Change to: The first competitor who touches the tapes after the displaying of the green light and before the tapes are raised will be issued a warning and the event will be restarted. If the same competitor repeats this action, they will be excluded and the event will be re-started.</p>		MA/SCB's	
DT383	Amend: Rule 13.3.6.1(c)			<p>Duke of Edinburgh Trophies - Australian Dirt Track Championships up to 450cc 4 Stroke FTX Solo and up to 1100cc Dirt Track Sidecar.</p> <p>Change to: Australian Dirt Track Championships Pro Open Solo and up to 1100cc Dirt Track Sidecar.</p>	Rationale: To reflect the Premier Solo and Sidecar Classes in Dirt Track.	MA/SCB's	

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