

Moto-Trials Commission Meeting Minutes - Final

Minutes of the Moto-Trials Commission meeting held at the Airport Motel, Melbourne on Monday 2nd May 2011.

Presented to the MA Board Commission meeting on 16th August 2011 held at Motorcycling Australia, 147 Montague Street, South Melbourne

PRESENT:

Stephen Foody	President (Chair)
David White	CEO
John Tisdale	Vice President
Lyal Allen	Director
Ray Jonkers	Director

APOLOGY: Colin Scott

IN ATTENDANCE: Tina Alderman

APPENDIX: 8

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			As no objections were received in respect to the items recommended by the Moto Trials Commission at their May meeting, they are now put to the MA Board for approval.			MA Board	Board has endorsed this recommendation

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TL521	Agenda item 2	TMC Vic	Recommends that rule 23.2.1.1 (d) be removed. Rule 23.2.1.1 (d) currently reads: Veteran-for competitors 40 years of age and over and will use the Venables handicap system. (This handicap system is based on a formula devised by the late Ralph Venables, in that the rider's age is subtracted from 70. The number remaining is added to the riders points lost, as a handicap)	Replace with amended rule 23.2.1.1 (d) which will read: Veteran-Aged 40 to 49 years Veteran-Aged 50 to 59 years Veteran-Aged 60 years and over All competitors within each of these classes will compete without handicap.	Under the current rule the Veteran class attracts the largest number of competitors at both National and State events. By dividing the class into age groups it is expected that more riders in the 40 to 49 year group will cease competing in lower grades against developing riders. This is mainly due to the fact that the competition sections set for Veterans are not particularly demanding and therefore the rider levels are similar and the results invariably favour the higher handicapped competitors. This discourages the 40 to 49 year riders from competing in the class as it stands.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation																
TL522	Agenda item 3	TMC Vic	Amend rule 13.2.8 (Categories for Senior Australian Championships) Moto-Trials	Remove Veteran from rule 13.2.8 Moto-Trials and replace with: Veteran-Aged 40 to 49 years Veteran-Aged 50 to 59 years Veteran-Aged 60 years and over	The same rational as the previous item.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation																
TL523	Agenda item 4	MQ Trials Committee	Amend rule 23.2.1.1 (c). This rule currently reads: Juniors – 7 to U16 years.	Amend rule 23.2.1.1 (c) to read: Juniors – which can be subdivided into Junior 7 – 12, open junior and junior women	This change is recommended to unify the grades Australia wide to reduce confusion at the title events where different rules have traditionally been used.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation																
TL524	Agenda item 5	MQ Trials Committee	Amend rule 23.2.1.1 (g). This rule currently reads: Women.	Amend rule 23.2.1.1 (g) to read: Open Women, which can be subdivided into A and B grades.	The same rational as the previous item.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation																
TL525	Agenda item 6	Commission	Amend rule 23.2.2.1. This rule currently reads: <table border="1" data-bbox="616 1173 1057 1348"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class</th> <th>Capacity</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Junior 7-12 years</td> <td>Up to 200cc</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior Open</td> <td>13 to 15 years Open capacity</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior Women</td> <td>7 to 15 years Open capacity-Women only</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Class	Capacity	Junior 7-12 years	Up to 200cc	Junior Open	13 to 15 years Open capacity	Junior Women	7 to 15 years Open capacity-Women only	Amend rule 23.2.2.1 to read: <table border="1" data-bbox="1086 1173 1438 1348"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class</th> <th>Capacity</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Junior 7-12years</td> <td>Up to 125cc</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior 13 to 15years</td> <td>Up to 125cc</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior Women 7 to 15 years</td> <td>Up to 125cc</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Class	Capacity	Junior 7-12years	Up to 125cc	Junior 13 to 15years	Up to 125cc	Junior Women 7 to 15 years	Up to 125cc	This will bring MA rules into line with the FIM rules in relation to Junior riders. The Commission recommends that this capacity change not occur until January 2013.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation
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TL526	Agenda item 7	MQ Trials Committee	Suggested new rule:	Add rule 23.3.3. Designs and Dimensions Add rule 23.3.3.1 When brake cam arms or levers are of open or hooked type, the brake actuating rod or cable must be secured so as to prevent accidental dislodgement.	Reasons: There is provision under Sidecars (23.6.1.8) for arms/levers to be secured. There is no compatible rule for solo machines. The inclusion of this proposed rule would provide consistency for all types of Trials bikes, and is related to safety.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation																																						
TL527	Agenda item 8	MQ Trials Committee	Change rule 23.2.4.1. Identification plates Current rule is: <table border="1" data-bbox="616 555 1059 866"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class/Grade</th> <th>Plate background colour</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A grade and experts</td> <td>Red</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B grade</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Masters</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C grade & Veterans</td> <td>Blue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Juniors, Clubman & Post Classic</td> <td>White</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Women</td> <td>White</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sidecars- A Grade</td> <td>Red</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sidecars-B Grade</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Classic</td> <td>Black</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Class/Grade	Plate background colour	A grade and experts	Red	B grade	Yellow	Masters	Yellow	Youth	Yellow	C grade & Veterans	Blue	Juniors, Clubman & Post Classic	White	Women	White	Sidecars- A Grade	Red	Sidecars-B Grade	Yellow	Classic	Black	Altered rule 23.2.4.1 to read: <table border="1" data-bbox="1088 523 1440 954"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class/Grade</th> <th>Plate background colour</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Open Solo, A Grade</td> <td>Red</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth, Masters, B Grade, Women</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Veterans, Post Classic, Open Junior, Air-cooled Mono shock, C Grade</td> <td>Blue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior Women, Juniors 7-12, Clubman</td> <td>White</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sidecars-A Grade</td> <td>Red</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sidecars-B Grade</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Classic</td> <td>Black</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Class/Grade	Plate background colour	Open Solo, A Grade	Red	Youth, Masters, B Grade, Women	Yellow	Veterans, Post Classic, Open Junior, Air-cooled Mono shock, C Grade	Blue	Junior Women, Juniors 7-12, Clubman	White	Sidecars-A Grade	Red	Sidecars-B Grade	Yellow	Classic	Black	Reasons: This change is to simplify the plate colours, making the colour reflect the line being followed with the exception of sidecars which have been left unchanged as both grades ride the same line, however "A" grade takes a few extra obstacles indicated in the section. This removes any doubts an observer or spectator might have when watching the rider approach the section.	MA	Board has endorsed this recommendation
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TL528	Agenda item 10	S.Price	Alteration to rule 12.7.0.1. Radio Communication. The current rule reads: Radio communications with riders is not allowed, and will be classed as outside assistance, except for Enduro.	Suggested rule change. Alter rule 12.7.0.1 to read: Radio communications with riders is not allowed, and will be classed as outside assistance, except for Enduro and Moto-Trials.	Rider minders are classed as a competitor, and are allowed to communicate with riders while competing. The FIM now allows this communication to be done by wireless rather than by voice. It is recommended that Australia follow this lead.	MA/ SCB's	Board has endorsed this recommendation																																						
TL529	Discussion	Comm	2012 World Trials Championship Australian round. It is hoped that a round of this World Championship will be held in Victoria, near Maldon on 26 & 27 July 2012. The Commission is now waiting for the final decision from the FIM.		Information for MA		Event will take place.																																						

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TL530	Discussion	Comm	Commission meeting dates 2011.	The Commission will meet again at the 2011 Australian Moto-Trials Championships in SA on the first weekend of October.	The Commissioners request financial assistance to attend the 2011 Australian Championships.	Comm/MA	Noted information only
TL531	General Business	Comm	The Commission proposes that for Club events a single official be appointed in place of the Steward and the Clerk of Course.	This will require an alteration to rule 4.2.5.1. The Commission have discussed this recommendation with a large number of people, and believe that it is workable at Club events.	This will simplify the operation of Club events, and will not impact on the general running of competition events. To be further discussed.	SCB's	Board has not approved explanatory letter to be sent to the Commission
TL532	General Business	Comm	The Commission is concerned that a number of Moto-Trials meetings are being held around Australia that are not being conducted under an MA or SCB permit.	The Commission asks that MA publicise the advantages of running meetings under the MA umbrella, and send this information to all clubs. These advantages would include insurances, protection of officials from Legal action and other items.		MA	Noted
TL533	General Business	Comm	Junior Coaching/Assessment.	The Commission queries the current assessment procedures in place. Is this to be what is in the 2011 MA rule book, or are the 2010 rules still in use?		MA	Commission to receive explanation.
TL534	Discussion item 4	Comm	National Championships. The Commission has discussed the venues for future Australian Moto-Trials Championships. The recommendations are: 2011 SA 2012 WA 2013 Tas 2014 Vic 2015 NSW		The Commission requests that the MA Board approves these recommendations so as to give some time for the promoters to advertise and promote these Championships.	MA	2011 approved other recommendations noted

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TL535	Discussion item 5	Comm	<p>Junior Riders.</p> <p>The Commission suggests that a display of junior moto-trials be shown at the 2011 Junior MX Championships in September.</p>	<p>The Commission will continue to assist clubs and SCB's in the conduct of training/come and try days for junior competitors in this discipline.</p>		MA	Noted

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