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Dirt Track, Track & Supermoto Commission Meeting Minutes – Final

Minutes of the Dirt Track Commission meeting held Saturday 14th April 2012 at MA Offices 147 Montague Street, South Melbourne.

PRESENT: Chairman – Les Thomas
Keith Davies
Jovian Haidle

APOLOGY: Nil

IN ATTENDANCE:

Item No.	Issue	Raised By	Recommended / Proposed Action	Decision	Rationale / Consultation	Lead	SCB Comments
DT498	Welcome / Apologies	LT	The Chairman welcomed those present and opened the meeting at 08.30am	Received	-	-	
DT499	Confirmation of minutes	LT	Minutes of the meeting held on the 15 th April 2011 were distributed for reference.	Received.	-	-	

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DT500	Business Arising Matters arising from Minutes of the Comm 15/05/2011	LT	DT490: Minimum championship prize money.	The Commission made recommendations regarding the minimum amount of prize money to be paid in Track and Dirt Track Championships The MA Board ruled that the matter be addressed in SR's. Approved that new rule 20.8.3.5 and 21.9.1.3 be added Prize money: "The amount of prize money for Australian Championships will be included in the SR."	The action approved by the Board was overlooked and not included in the GCR's. It is now recommended the new rule be added at: 20.8.3.5 for Dirt Track and, 21.9.1.3 for Track. The latter has been included accordingly in the revised rules at DT519.	-	
DT501	Rule change request 12.6.3.1.	Paul Dawson	S3 Supermoto black background with White numbers S2 Supermoto White background with Black Numbers S1 Supermoto Canary Yellow Background with Black Numbers	Commission recommends adding specific colour plates for Supermoto competition as follows S1 over 250cc 2 stroke, over 450cc to 700cc 4 stroke – background yellow figures black S2 up to 250cc 2 stroke, up to 450 cc 4 stroke – background white figures black S3 125 cc to 200cc 2 stroke , up to 250 cc 4 stroke – black background white figures	Provides clearer identification of supermoto classes	-	
DT502	Rule change request Pump fuel	Brad Piddle	The subject of fuel additives used purely as part of a maintenance schedule be amended so as to allow those racers who pay for and maintain their own machines to further protect their investment, further lowering the start line cost after years of racing.	Commission does not support this request	- This would add further complications to fuel testing and analysis – creating further costs.	-	

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DT503	Rule change request 50cc auto	Sean	SUGG_WORDING: 50 cc Auto is an included championship division	Commission does not support this request	It is not considered advisable for Junior competition	-	
DT504	Rule change request 600cc	Trevor Harvey	Please consider the 600cc dirt track sidecar class be re-instated to state & national level racing.	Commission does not support this request Existing rule 20.7.0.1 provides for dirt track sidecar up to 1100cc.	It is understood that currently there is little interest shown in 600cc dirt track sidecars.	-	
DT505	Rule change request 24.3.1.6.	Rob Crossley	On all engines an oil catch tank, properly fastened, or a closed breather system must be installed	Commission supports reduction in size of catch tank from 500 to 300cc.	Provides easier fitting of smaller container	-	
DT506	Rule change request 24.3.1.10	Rob Crossley	Need for catch tank on fuel tank non return valve breather	Commission does not support this request.	Considered that the catch tank is required in event of non-return valve sticking.	-	
DT507	Rule change request 24.6	Rob Crossley	To allow a change over for riders from Moto x to Supermoto. Currently a 14 yo child riding Moto x on an 85cc cannot switch to Supermoto.	Commission does not support this request.	This could potentially create dangerous age difference and experience levels.	-	
DT508	Rule change request 12.5.1.3	Ralph Freeman	This rule contains only one long sentence. It provides for an oversize engine to be retained after measurement. The sentence should end after "measurement". Suggested that such a protest not be accepted unless a bond is paid by the protester for the cost of rebuilding that engine. If the engine is measured and found correct the bond is given to the engine owner	Commission does not support this request.	12.5.1.1 Provides for the capacity of engine to be measured at the direction of the Steward. It is considered that 12.5.1.2 and 12.5.1.3 adequately covers the costs incurred. No suggestion has been made of \$ amount for bond to be sought. Cost of the work on machines would vary	-	

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			for his costs. If the engine is oversize the bond is returned to the protester.		greatly, Added complications in measurement process.		
DT509	Rule change request 12.6.4.1.	Paul Dawson	For all disciplines, the font style is free, however the onus for legibility rests with the entrant. Why should font types be fixed for road-racing and be free for other disciplines?	Commission does not support this request	-Road race numbers are accepted by the majority at present.	-	
DT510	Rule change request 12.6.4.1.	Sarah	For all disciplines, the font style is free, however the onus for legibility rests with the entrant. Why should font types be fixed for road-racing and be free for other disciplines?	Commission does not support this request	-As above	-	
DT511	Rule change request 12.6.4.1.	Simon Dickson	All other disciplines accept any font so long as it's legible, there is no need for road racing to be any different.	Commission does not support this request	-As above	-	
DT512	Rule change request	John Langfield	Supplementary regulations must include a requirement that the engine number of a machine is included on the entry form.	Commission does not support this request	This can be requested in supplementary regulations for events where required	-	

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DT513	Rule change request Rule3.8 Junior Coaching	MNSW	-	Supported in principle by the Commission suggest changing to 3.8.0.4 last item: 350cc 4 stroke / speedway solo/ quads only. Amend 3.8.1.10 where a riders licence has lapsed for a period of 12 months or more an annual competency test is required	-Suggested changes to the juniors coaching provides for most requirements of the scheme with the additions in the 2 points mentioned	-																									
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DT516	Rule change recommendation	comm	Revise Classes for Australian Junior Dirt Track and Track Championships GCR 13.2.9	Junior Dirt Track & Track	As above.																												

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DT518	Revised format for Australian Senior and Junior Dirt Track Championships	comm	<p data-bbox="629 603 999 691">Revise and amend rules for Australian Senior and Junior Dirt Track Championships by:</p> <p data-bbox="629 722 936 786">Amend 20.9 The championship comprises:</p> <p data-bbox="629 802 920 898">a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps b) 1 repechage of 4 laps c) 1 final of 4 laps.</p> <p data-bbox="629 914 976 978">Amend 20.9.3.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p data-bbox="629 994 801 1010">5 races of 4 laps.</p> <p data-bbox="629 1026 976 1090">Amend 20.9.5.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p data-bbox="629 1106 920 1201">a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps b) 1 repechage of 4 laps c) 1 final of 4 laps.</p> <p data-bbox="629 1217 976 1281">Amend 20.9.6.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p data-bbox="629 1297 801 1313">5 races of 4 laps.</p> <p data-bbox="629 1329 987 1377">Amend 20.9.8.2 by deleting that rule in its entirety.</p>	<p data-bbox="1021 603 1469 627">Insert revised GCR 20.9 to 20.9.8.2:</p> <p data-bbox="1021 667 1585 722">20.9 AUSTRALIAN SENIOR AND JUNIOR DIRT TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS FORMAT</p> <p data-bbox="1021 730 1451 754">20.9.1 Preferred Championship Dates</p> <p data-bbox="1021 762 1592 834">20.9.1.1 The Australian Junior Dirt Track Championship shall, where possible, be conducted in the July school holidays.</p> <p data-bbox="1021 842 1592 914">20.9.1.2 The Australian Senior Dirt Track Championship shall, where possible, be conducted on the June long weekend.</p> <p data-bbox="1021 922 1592 1026">20.9.1.3 Both the Australian Senior and Junior Dirt Track Championships will be conducted as single meetings at venues selected by the Dirt Track and Track Commission.</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1034 1592 1090">20.9.2 Solo Format where there are more than 12 entries per class</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1098 1435 1114">20.9.2.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1121 1361 1137">a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1145 1301 1161">b) 1 repechage of 4 laps</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1169 1234 1185">c) 1 final of 4 laps.</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1201 1592 1257">20.9.3 Solo format where there are 12 or less entries per class</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1265 1435 1281">20.9.3.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1289 1211 1305">5 races of 4 laps</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1313 1592 1385">20.9.3.2 Points accumulated by each competitor in the 5 races will determine the championship placings.</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1393 1272 1409">20.9.4 Heats and final</p> <p data-bbox="1021 1425 1592 1473">20.9.4.1 The number of heat positions must not exceed 12.</p>	<p data-bbox="1612 603 1854 1217">Information considered by the Commission indicates that some difficulty is being experienced running Australian Championships with higher numbers of entries, that cause protracted race programs and increasing occurrence of injuries. This revised format will simplify scoring and allocation of the titles, with improved safety of competitors, while enabling the meeting to be run within a reasonable timeframe.</p>		

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				<p>20.9.4.2 The right to compete in the final will be filled by:</p> <p>a) The 10 competitors accumulating the highest number of points during the course of heats.</p> <p>b) The first 2 places of the repechage.</p> <p>20.9.4.3 Competitors who finish in 11th to 22nd inclusive during the course of the heats will contest the repechage.</p> <p>20.9.4.4 The finishing order of each competitor in the final will determine championship placings.</p> <p>20.9.4.5 Grid positions will be pre drawn and listed in the program for heats and/or rounds. Riders choice for grid positions in the finals will apply. Top points scorer has first choice and so on as per point score result. If electronic timing is used, qualifying time will determine the choice of grid position for the first heat only, thereafter the grid positions are determined by the finishing position in the previous race.</p> <p>20.9.5 Sidecar format where there are more than 6 entries per class</p> <p>20.9.5.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p>a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps</p> <p>b) 1 repechage of 4 laps</p> <p>c) 1 final of 4 laps</p> <p>20.9.6 Sidecar format where there are 6 entries or fewer per class</p> <p>20.9.6.1 The championship comprises:</p> <p>5 races of 4 laps</p> <p>20.9.6.2 Points accumulated by each competitor in the 5 races will determine championship placings.</p> <p>20.9.7 Heats and Final</p> <p>20.9.7.1 The number of heat positions must not exceed 6.</p> <p>20.9.7.2 The right to compete in the final will be filled by:</p> <p>a) The 5 competitors accumulating the highest number of points during the heats;</p> <p>b) The winner of the repechage.</p> <p>20.9.7.3 Competitors who finish in 6th to 11th places inclusive during the course of the heats will contest the repechage.</p> <p>20.9.7.4 The finishing order of each competitor in the final will determine the championship placings.</p> <p>20.9.8 Scoring</p> <p>20.9.8.1 All races will be scored using the scoring</p>			

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DT519	Revise format for Australian Senior and Junior Track Championships	comm	<p>Revise and amend rules for Australian Senior and Junior Track Championships by:</p> <p>Amend 21.9.1.1 Both the Australian Senior and Junior Track Championships will be conducted as single meetings at venues selected by the Dirt Track Commission.</p> <p>Amend 21.9.2.1 The championship comprises: a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps b) 1 repechage of 4 laps c) 1 final of 4 laps.</p> <p>Amend 21.9.3.1 The championship comprises: 5 races of 4 laps.</p> <p>Amend 21.9.5.1 The championship comprises: a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps b) 1 repechage of 4 laps c) 1 final of 4 laps.</p> <p>Amend 21.9.6.1 The championship comprises: 5 races of 4 laps.</p> <p>Amend 21.9.8.2 by deleting that rule in its entirety.</p>	<p>Insert revised GCR 21.9 to 21.9.8.1:</p> <p>21.9 AUSTRALIAN SENIOR AND JUNIOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS FORMAT</p> <p>21.9.1.1 Both the Australian Senior and Junior Track Championship will be conducted as single meetings at venues selected by the Dirt Track and Track Commission.</p> <p>21.9.1.2 Venues for Australian Senior and Junior Track Championship will be closed to competitors for a minimum of 7 days prior to the event.</p> <p>21.9.1.3 The amount of prize money for Australian Championships will be included in the SR.</p> <p>21.9.2 Solo Format where there are more than 12 entries per class</p> <p>21.9.2.1 The championship comprises: a) 3 qualifying heats of 3 laps b) 1 repechage of 4 laps c) 1 final of 4 laps.</p> <p>21.9.3 Solo format where there are 12 or less entries per class</p> <p>21.9.3.1 The championship comprises: 5 races of 4 laps</p> <p>21.9.3.2 Points accumulated by each competitor in the 5 races will determine the championship placings.</p> <p>21.9.4 Heats and finals</p> <p>21.9.4.1 The number of heat positions must not exceed 12.</p> <p>21.9.4.2 The right to compete in the final will be filled by: a) The 10 competitors accumulating the highest number of points during the course of heats. b) The first 2 places of the repechage.</p> <p>21.9.4.3 Competitors who finish in 11th to 22nd inclusive during the course of the heats will contest the repechage.</p> <p>21.9.4.4 The finishing order of each competitor in the</p>	As above		

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