

Chairman's Message - #15

Committee Meeting 23rd March 2013

A brief summary of the Committee Meeting held at Huntingtower on the 23rd March 2013.

Speedsport Magazine

Speedsport is now available for downloading from the Championship website, though electronic copies will be emailed out to all registered competitors. If you are unable to download an electronic copy, please contact your club rep and a hard copy can be made available.

The intention is to increase the number of issues but this does require content! The Committee would appeal to all budding journo's to send their event reports (and photos) in for publication.

Club Reports

All clubs reported ongoing improvements to the venues; Forrestburn (MSCC) have improved drainage off the start line and first hairpin including some more re-grading of the paddock area. Doune (LCC) repaired a large stretch of barrier on the lower part of the hill and improved drainage to the spectator path – and a new timekeeper's caravan. Golspie (CCC) suffered with the failure of the sea-defences during the winter storms and are working with the kart club to get the venue back in shape for the scheduled sprints. Fintray (GAC) have had to remove the new sign-on hut at the request of the landlord. The usual two weekends of Hillclimbs are scheduled along with the Alford Sprint in July. Kames (EACC) reported more flood prevention work has been completed and plans are underway for clubhouse improvements, as well as various events to celebrate their 50 year anniversary.

No news on the proposed Cairngorm hillclimb – this is awaiting changes to the roads use act before further progress can be made.

Hillclimb Ladies award

Unfortunately the potential sponsor for this award has pulled out but the committee will continue to support this new award in 2013.

Methanol

A competitor approached the Committee to gain clarification on the use of methanol; As per the MSA-approved regulations for our Championships, methanol can only be used in vehicles in the Competition Car Division – and must ensure an orange disc is displayed on the vehicle. The Committee asked all clubs participating in the 2013 Championships to confirm that the venues allow for this.

2013 Championship Entries

Despite the current economic climate, our Championships have been well subscribed this year and numbers are only slightly down on 2102;

	2013 Championships	2012 Championships
Total registered	107	121
Newcomers	7	18
Sprints	98	104
Hills	99	110
Speed	90	93

A proposal to replace class A7 with H1 was put forward for discussion (To allow pre-1980 period-compliant non-roadgoing cars to also compete), to be scored with the target time system already in place for A7. A detailed proposal is to be prepared and presented to the committee at the next meeting.

Championship Sponsor Stickers

The Committee did not manage to get sticker packs sent out to all competitors for the start of the season – a situation which will be remedied for next year. If you require any Sponsor Stickers for your car, please see the relevant Championship Coordinator at your next event.

2014 Regulation changes

The September 2014 Doune Hillclimb has had to change dates to fit in with other events and is planned to be held on the weekend of the 21st / 22nd September – **NOTE; This for 2014.**

Next Committee Meeting

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for 11am on Saturday 5th October 2013, following the AGM due to commence at 10am.

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