

BMX EAST AGM

MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2020



BMX RACING AT ITS BEST

ATTENDEES - ZOOM

Lee Alexander – Royston

Alyx Forman – Royston

Darren Forman – Royston

Ashley Goulding – Peterborough

Julian Allen – Braintree

Richard Watts – Braintree

Josh Butson – Braintree

Martin Wink – Norwich

Dan Harding – Norwich

Adie Warden - Norwich

Karis Pattinson – MK

John Lillingstone – Ipswich

Ian Doe – BC

Julie Watts – BC

APOLOGIES

Phil Townsend – Royston

Mark Tomsett – Royston

Tracey Reeves – Ipswich

Leah Pearson – Peterborough

LA recapped the 2019 minutes (shared in advance)

2019 actions

Obtain finances and purchase transponders – done

JA – Send clubs info to ID ref BC website – done

Address gate session timings for 13 year olds – done

Matters arising

JW had asked for an update from BC around the lockdowns impact on BMX. BC are in talks with DCMS and Sport England but nothing confirmed as yet.

2021 clubs should plan for a summer regional series but maybe in a different format

Chairs, Accounts, Commissaires + Coaching reports

Published online in advance, available to view here.

https://bmxeast.com/2020-bmx-east-region-agm/?fbclid=IwAR3JNHscmFWDGKJMAZdZfFK9Kbpb4VS_rp8baTWrw2iepNoKe_AWYMcA3TA

Election (DH runs through the nominations)

DH – updated on working commitments and in April may be working in Holland

Chair – Ashley Goulding nominated by DH seconded by JA

Vice – Dan Harding nominated by LA seconded by AG

Secretary – Alyx Forman nominated by AG seconded by JA

Treasurer – Phil Townsend nominated JA seconded by KP

Coach – Julian Allen nominated by DH seconded by JL

Promotions officer – Julian Allen nominated by AG seconded by LA

Regional events coordinator – Mark Tomsett Nominated by DH seconded by JA

Rider Rep – John Lillingstone nominated by AG seconded DH

Dan asked if any positions that anyone felt need adding, none suggested.

Regional race series

This section will be revisited at next meeting following more guidance from BC around sanctioned activity

Regional Development

ID – School games provisional July @ Lee Valley

ID – Leadership at Lee Valley is changing and Greenwich Leisure are taking over the facility, this should allow more access to the facility, Multi discipline events, BMX speedway would be encouraged

JA – recapped coaching report, with a second lockdown due JA looking to still offer RSR via Zoom and collect data via video submission (manual, bunny hop, sprint) if unable to run the RSR session as planned in person, JA also looking to create an RSR parent / rider WhatsApp group once confirmation is received around lockdown

LA- Questioned younger riders joining RSR

JA – Exceptional riders (13s) must meet all criteria including a minimum of a national Semi-Final

ABO

LA – Interclub races

AG - advised looking to run an inter with MK in Jan, ran over the risk assessment steps in place provisional date 24th Jan set (pending BC sanctions)

JB - a watch out gazebos, people bringing gazebos encourages people to huddle up

JA – The souths plan of a structured race series with club race leading to inter club to an end goal of a regional champs to put more emphasis on participating at club level up.

LA – London region update?

JW – Has not been discussed any more this year

ID + JW – Think outside the box with current climate. Potentially looking at smaller more regular events in line with other disciplines. JB Braintree club races have been limited to 1 non rider per rider and site is close to capacity with social distance measures in place.

ID – offered help with paperwork for inter clubs

AG- PT has offered to do a zoom lesson on Sqorz, DH advised Martin Ward had done a session with him and system is really user friendly

AG – has EA asked about pausing the regional transponder situation, JW advised PT has been speaking to them but no solution she is aware of yet

KP – advised needs the temp loops for racing, PT has advised we can make this work

KP – MK carried out a large track work day and MKs track is now in much better shape following the recent floods and the track is now rideable again, she is in discussion with ProStart to replace the stolen parts for the gate system

JL – Ipswich carried out track work session and some work is still taking place around the funding for the new track build, a small amount still outstanding + BC funding is at stage 2.

JW – will speak to Larn to see what stage the funding is at

DH – Commissaire courses. PT had advised previously on an assistant commissaire course, ID advised BC are looking at this and re writing training, DH keen to start racing but potentially lacking commissaires and with no regional racing not possible to have people do a full commissaire course.

ID will speak to BC education department and see what steps can be taken, JW happy to assist

JB – questioned why EA regionals and National series run slightly different principals transferring to finals in relation to final gate picks, Will ask PT to see if he / BC are aware of this as feels the systems should be aligned, potentially look at sending a survey to clubs to see if this is the general consensus of the regions riders

AG – regional Zoom account, JA zoom account costs £14.39. DH uses Microsoft Teams is similar but at no cost

Next regional meeting 7th December via Zoom