

BMX EAST – Chairman’s AGM Report 2020

2020 EA BMX year has been the strangest ever, 2019 – 2020 regional winter series saw 222 entries in the winter so it was the right decision to keep the winter series going and I would suggest we keep this going if we get the chance this winter and subsequent winters.

The regions clubs since being allowed to have club races have been running their own local race series which is a great idea to keep doing if you can, I know from Royston clubs experience this is still a great way of attracting new members and getting them “race ready” for the bigger regional events, Royston’s club membership is at its highest ever and reports from other clubs are saying the same.

Most clubs have been running coaching sessions which again is a massive give, and we should all do our utmost to keep this going on a consistent basis.

The national series started well for some of our riders back in March this year with the following riders getting podium finishes, Alan Hill, Josh Izzard, Molly Nice, Freia Challis, Jared Hill, Josh Abbott, Oli Cutmore and Leah Pearson.

The Commissaire co-ordination process continues to work well and our members have been attending online seminars, we have a fantastic team of commissaire volunteers and I would like to thank them all for supporting the region and we all look forward to seeing them all at regional races once we are allowed to run them!

We were all saddened to hear recently that the MK Club pretty much had everything stolen from their container which must have been an awful feeling for everyone involved in the club.

However in true BMX style money has been raised for MK to replace the stolen property and I know the 5K target has been reached so that’s a positive, well done everyone involved @ MK and good luck for the future.

To summarise, this past 7 to 8 months have been tough for everyone however let’s make sure all clubs stay positive, and make sure our new and existing riders get the opportunities to be coached and to be able to gain the experiences BMX racing brings from beginners to experts, within the current covid-19 restrictions and the British Cycling guidelines.

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