

Great Britain Slope Racing Association 5th Annual General Meeting held in Bridgend, South Wales on the 31st Aug 2018

Present Jon Edison, Chairman & Secretary
Mark Treble, League Coordinator
Joel West, Treasurer

Daniel Schneider, John Treble, Mike Shellim, Keith Wood, Peter Burgess, Peter Gunning, Stuart Wallace

Apologies - Richard Bago, Greg Dakin, Andy Burgoyne

Minutes of last AGM –

Minutes of the 2017 AGM were read and approved as a true record, Proposed Mark Treble, seconded Joel West. Unanimously agreed.

Matters Arising - None

Chairmans Report - The Chairman thanked the meeting for all their support throughout the year. However he felt that the association was in danger of losing its support and relevance with the wider F3F community. It was important to re-engage with the flyers, re-state the benefits to membership and why the GBSRA was important in the wider role of representing them at National level. A number of proposals had been instigated to provide greater visibility for the association, including benefits from a number of suppliers exclusively for members. The ‘Feather Flag’ was a great success, and continued promotion would help to re-establish the associations relevance with the flyers.

Treasurers Report - Copies of the Accounts were made available for all members attending the AGM. The Treasurer explained the various allocations of funds, both in the Current Account and in the PayPal accounts; these showed the current balance for the Association was £4879.33. However some monies were owed to the SWSA for previous years Eurotour and discussions were on going as the exact amount.

League Co-coordinators Report -

2018 was a particularly bad year for cancellations, and apart from the first league event at HoH no other single day events have run. However, both Eurotours will hopefully score as did the BMFA Nationals earlier in the year. Entry to competitions was simplified if entrants prepaid using PayPal

Election of Committee -

As all the current committee had indicated that they were willing to stand again, and as there were no other nominations, the current committee was re-elected. An offer for Mike Shellim to manage the website and other digital related content was well received. A proposal by Mark Treble for Mike Shellim to be elected in the role of Digital Marketing was seconded by Keith Wood and was unanimously agreed.

The Committee for 2019 is therefore :-

Chairman	- Jon Edison
Treasurer	- Joel West
Secretary	- Jon Edison
League Coordinator	- Mark Treble
PRO	- Rich Bago
SFTC Rep	- Greg Dakin
Digital Marketing	- Mike Shellim

Membership Fees for 2019 –

The Chairman proposed that the subscriptions for 2019 and beyond should be scrapped! As members of the GBRSSRA had to be BMFA members and had already paid a significant membership fee to that organisation, the Chairman felt there was reluctance amongst flyers to pay again. He said that in any event, the amount of money collected from subs was insignificant compared to the income from entry fees.

The proposal was therefore for Membership of the GBRSSRA to be automatically granted to anyone entering a GBRSSRA organised event. Some discussion took place as to the pros and cons of such an arrangement, but the principal was agreed, and the proposal by the Chairman was seconded by Joel West, and was unanimously agreed.

The Secretary to produce a revision to the Constitution.

F3F League and Winter League Dates -

To follow. Mark Treble to produce a calendar for 2019

Proposed Changes to the BMFA league

No changes were proposed to either the league format or league rules.

Course Equipment

The only suggestion was for a remote reading wind meter.

The current FAI rules require the wind meter to be a 2m above the slope. This is too high to be read manually, and therefore requires a

meter capable of being read remotely. Committee to research meter availability.

JW recommended that if the GBRsRA acquire equipment , this should be documented in an asset register.

GBRSRA Promotional Items

The meeting was still in favour of pursuing garments, model stickers etc. The PRO to be advised of this requirement

Team support

The Chairman explained to the meeting how the BMFA support Teams entering European and World events. It is important for Team Members to keep all their receipts, as payment is always retrospectively applied, and proof of expenditure is required.

Unfortunately the BMFA only supports the three pilots and team manager. This year John Phillips is also attending the WC as a 'helper', but in order to do so the WC organisers require him to pay and 'entry fee'. A proposal from Joel to pay Johns entry fee of 89 Euro, seconded by John Treble, was unanimously agreed

AOB

A proposal from John Treble to impose a spending limit of £1000 on the Committee was seconded by Joel, was unanimously agreed

The following presentation was made to recognise member's achievements throughout the year

The 'Most Improved Pilot' went to Mike Shellim. The presentation of the Silver Salver and hand drawn plate was made on the Slope before the main Competition presentation

Meeting Closed at 21.50pm
Minutes taken by J Edison