

Andreas Racing Association Ltd

Company Number 002540C



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

25th November 2020 at 19.30 Manx Legion, North Quay, Douglas, Isle of Man

PRESENT

Neal Champion (Chairman) Linda Alton-Heath (Secretary)

Graham Molyneux Julian Askew David Moffitt Katie Brammall

APOLOGIES

Ozzy Madey Marcus Simpson Dave Molyneux Liz Warden Shaun McGowan

CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING

Neal Champion was appointed Chairman of the meeting

NOTICE AND QUORUM

The Chairman noted that a quorum was present and declared the meeting open.

The Chairman, Mr Neal Champion, opened the AGM of Andreas Racing Association (ARA), and moved immediately to the first item of business, Motion A.

1. Motion A: To change the Articles of Association of the club, increasing the allowed membership from 150 to 1000.

The chairman explained the motion as above, and requested that this be put to a vote; firstly requesting anyone who was against this motion to make their opposition known; the chairman, having had no opposition raised, requested a show of hands of all eligible members in attendance to confirm the motion.

Confirmed by a majority show of hands

2. Apologies for Absence

Made by the chairman

3. Minutes of the previous AGM

Proposed by the chairman Seconded by the Secretary Passed with no objections

4. Chairman's Report

The chairman gave his report, making the following points:

- The club had demonstrated its viability
- A new committee had worked hard all year
- The club is now financially stable
- Despite Covid, we've had a successful season
- Very strong entries for each meeting, and competitive racing

- Strong membership numbers
- Lower entry fees due to strong entries
- 30+ riders have gone through the race school
- The club's ambitious plans for the return of the Jurby Road meeting have been derailed by Covid

5. Club Secretary's Report

The club secretary gave her report, making the following points:

- It's been a demanding year, with lots more work than anticipated, and some personal threats
- Listed the changes in the committee:
 - Jill Madsen_Mygdal, Emma Shimmin, Jennie Arnold, Lottie Bennett, Andy Cowie and Dave Corlett have all stepped down
 - Graham Molyneux, Ryan Smith, Marcus Simpson, Katie Brammall, Ozzy Madey and Illiam Quayle all stepped up
- The directors are currently:
 - Neal Champion, Linda Alton Heath, Julian Askew, Dave Moffitt, Liz Warden and Dave Molyneux, with the additional committee being:
 - Shaun McGowan, Marcus Simpson, Graham Molyneux, Katie Brammall, Ryan Smith, Ozzy Madey and Illiam Quayle
- The club has made a profit this year
- Court cases
 - Northern Fuels
 - An out of court agreement was reached, ratified by court order. We have the hangar back for club use; covid delayed our letting it commercially, but that is now proceeding with a new tenant, meaning the hangar will be a source of income
 - Counsell & Harrison vs ARA / ARA vs Counsell & Harrison
 Linda gave an overview of the background of the case, and that Counsell and Harrison started the legal action after the ARA directors removed them as directors of JMML (a wholly owned subsidiary of ARA). ARA then counter-sued Counsell & Harrison for the money currently frozen in the JMML back account. Cost have been £10k up to this point, and could be as much as another £15k.

 ARA members are invited to attend the hearing on 27th & 28th January 2021
 - Provisional race dates are booked with the Department for Enterprise for 2021
 - We welcome two sidecar races, Ben Binns and Karl Bennett, who are standing for election to the committee
 - The club's annual dinner and presentation is at the Park Hotel, Ramsey, 23rd January. Tickets are £35, and we are asking attendees at this AGM to add their names to pre-orders for tickets
 - o We have ACU codes for 2021, and will open 2021 memberships very soon

6. Finances

The 2019 accounts are still being prepared by the club's auditors, Browne Craine. The chairman gave an initial high-level overview of income and expenditure, noting that these are subject to adjustment:

Income from race meetings and track days:	£63k
Cost of running race meetings and track days	£42k
Club income from memberships, race school, rent on hangar & donations (thanks to Neil Wood, Rob Brew, Pete Tyas and Compressor Care	£21k
Club costs (insurance, fees, hangar lease/rates, etc)	£30k
2020 operating profit	£12k

7. Elections to the Committee

The following were nominated to the committee

Role	Nominee(s)	Proposed, Seconded
Chair	Neal Champion	Linda Alton-Heath, J Teirnan Passed
Vice Chair	No nominations received	n/a
Club Secretary	Linda Alton-Heath	Graham Molyneux, Julian Askew Passed
Treasurer	Julian Askew	Neal Champion, Linda Alton-Heath Passed
Race Secretary	Katie Bramhall	Neal Champion, Graham Molyneux Passed
Deputy Race Secretary	Liz Warden	Neal Champion, Graham Molyneux Passed
Systems Manager	Ryan Smith	Neal Champion, Dave Moffitt Passed
Facilities Manager	Graham Molyneux	Neal Champion, Julian Askew Passed
Other Committee members	Illiam Quayle	Neal Champion, Katie Brammall Passed
	Shaun McGowan	Neal Champion, Linda Alton-Heath Passed
	Marcus Simpson	Neal Champion, Katie Brammall Passed
	Dave Moffat	Neal Champion, Julian Askew Passed
	Ozzy Madey	Neal Champion, Katie Brammall Passed
	Ben Binns	Neal Champion, Julian Askew Passed
	Karl Bennett	Neal Champion, Julian Askew Passed

6. Elections of President and Vice-Presidents

 John Quilleash to continue in the role of ARA president for another year Proposed: Gordy Moore, Seconded Dave Moffit Passed

2. Gordy Moore, Peter Cain, Dick Hodge, Ray Knight and Phil Kneen to continue in their role as Vice Presidents for another year

Proposed: John Quilleash, Seconded Dave Moffitt

Passed

3. Dave Molyneux to be elected as a Vice-President Proposed Linda Alton-Heath, Seconded Neal Champion Passed

7. Appointment of Auditor for the forthcoming year.

The Committee propose that we ask Browne Craine & Co., Burleigh Manor, Peel Road, Douglas, IM1 5EP to be our Auditors for the forthcoming year.

Proposed Linda Alton-Heath, Seconded Julian Askew Passed

8. Any other business

- 1. Q: Phil Kneen asked about the low entries for the endurance (only 11 teams), and whether allowing 400s could have made the difference
 - A: we will review classed for next year
- 2. Q: Who set the qualification times?
 - A: Bigger story, allowing novices required a qualification cut-off for safety
- 3. Q: Callum asked if we can get the Boak track back
 - A: Tarmac on the main runaway needs repair
 - Q: Can the DoI do the repairs?
 - A: ARA need to meet with the Dol

- 4. Q: Can we have blue flags to notify back markers that they are about to be lapped? A: Chairman doesn't think appropriate at club level Several on the floor think they are required. Asked for show of hands: 5 riders support the idea, 23 do not. May consider for sidecars: Ben Binns to discuss with sidecar crews Shaun McGowan to be involved in any decision
- Q: Will current £21k to the Dol fall on ARA or Counsell and Harrison?A: The affidavits submitted to court by Counsell and Harrison say that if they win the case, they will take on this liability
- 6. Q: Changes to classes
 - A: Committee will consider any proposals: members to raise with the riders representatives
- 7. Q: Is the Plum Pudding meeting going ahead?
 - A: If we get the support. Asked for show of hands, and only around 10 at the meeting said they would enter
- 8. In 2020 Hogg Motorsport donated their medical cover to ARA (and other IoM racing clubs). We will revert to being charged ~£700 per meeting in 2021. Loss of TT & MGP has made significant dent on donations to Hogg (via the Rob Vine Fund) in 2020.
 Graham Molyneux proposed ARA make a £5k donation to RV Fund; seconded by John Quilleash passed

Chairman thanked the attendees and closed the meeting at 9.30pm

CHAIRMAN/DIRECTOR

CLUB SECRETARY