



Edmonton Motorcycle Roadracing Association

Executive Members Meeting Minutes #5

Date: Thursday, June 1, 2023

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: 5711 – 103a Street

Attendance – Executive Members:

- President – Jon Bullee
- Vice-President – Brian Worsdall
- Secretary – Jordanna Bobowsky
- Registrar – Grace O'Brien
- Treasurer – Corinne Powell
- General Director – Rod Naranjo
- General Director - Norbert Dworzynski
- General Director – Linda Moebes
- General Director – Joe Preston
- General Director – Scott Kammer
- General Director – Cory Raketti

Attendance – Club Members: Steve O'Brien

1. Meeting Commencement

Called to order at: 7:11 p.m.

2. Incomplete Action Items:

- a) WMRC Novice Riders – Grace has emailed WMRC and is waiting for reply/they are aware.
- b) Crash Truck – Has new tires and is running. Will have to schedule maintenance for a future date as Unrivalled Shop is currently booked between now and Race Rounds 1 & 2.
- c) Endurance Race Trophies – The design has been completed. Cost and manufacture to be determined.
- d) Social Media Posts to go out regarding revised race schedule and transponder rentals.

3. Treasurer's Report

We have roughly \$110,000 in the bank. Endurance Race brought in \$3900 (\$4160 before MSR Fees). Under membership, licensing and air fence deposit, we have received \$25,000. We have approximately 125 memberships sold, with 90 of those being race licenses. Race School brought in approximately \$14,000 with 46 students. The Track Attack brought in roughly \$426. Round 1 & 2 is currently \$6350, with the WCC being \$760. We were able to obtain approximately \$14,000 in sponsorships, with a reciprocating support of \$1150 to be purchased in Gift Certificates. This year we ran out of spots for race round sponsorships due to the double-headers. However, next year they can be split up to accommodate more sponsors.

4. Registrar's Report

We had 46 students for race school in which 45 were on track. We expect to have a few more novice riders this year. There were 10 teams for the Endurance Race: 4 endurance, 3 relay, and 3 lightweight. Currently for Race Round 1 & 2 there are 28 racers signed up. The WCC has 2 registered. We only have 3 registered for the Track Attack on Friday, June 9.

5. Increase in Track Rental at Stratotech Park (WhatsApp Discussion)

We were provided with notification from Stratotech Park that rental rates would be increased effective immediately due to operational costs. It was determined that the club would operate on

the same costs to racers for the remainder of the 2023 season and that the 2024 Executive could review a potential increase in race fees.

6. Back up Timing

We need a backup timing/grid person as Neil is the only other person who knows how to do it. Someone else on the Executive should be trained. Steven Ma, a long-time volunteer, wants to be trained. We are in the midst of currently training Dan for timing as well. Help was offered to Rod for assistance with transponders during race rounds (Jordy has offered) and Linda offered to help where she can with timing as she is in the tower (however, her first priority is Race Control and can be too busy to help run it at times). An announcement is to be made to racers that they are responsible for their transponders to be rented in time and in good working order.

7. Race School Recap

We got A LOT of positive feedback from race school students and we even gained a couple of volunteers from it. There were a few incidents on track, but nothing major. Discussion ensued regarding the redundancy of race starts and whether they are beneficial to the students. This may have to be revamped for next year's curriculum.

8. Endurance Race Recap

Endurance Race was awesome this year! Participant feedback was positive. We need to ensure that there is enough time between the endurance race and any track event that precedes it for set-up and getting the event in order. This year we started an hour earlier. It was agreed that next year the endurance race will be held from 4 pm to 8 pm, with a request that the track event beforehand is closed by 2 pm. There also needs to be a stipulation or requirement for tear down of air fence after the day has ended.

9. Novice Qualifying

We received a question as to why do not do qualifying for Novice? Discussion ensued that the Novice Racer's only job is to finish the race without incident. They are also not racing against the same class of bikes.

10. Waived/not waived starts for combined grids

Discussion ensued regarding waved/not waved starts for split grids. It was determined that races currently subject to the waved start will remain a waved start. (i.e. Expert and Intermediate 600 Supersport & Women's Open and Formula Thunder will remain as waved starts).

11. Red Flag Drill

Discussion regarding the pros/cons of the current red flag drill was discussed. We currently stop on track at the nearest corner station and wait for instructions. It was discussed changing it to getting off the race line, hand up and slowly proceeding off-track. It will stay as "stopping at the next corner station".

12. Race Licensing Request

A sponsor has asked to put a person into our races on one of their sponsored bikes. It was discussed that no individual may circumvent the race school and licensing requirements, regardless of position/status. We, however, would like to work with this sponsor and individual to get something happening for them.

13. Season Opener

Discussion ensued regarding how the EMRA will participate in 2024 Stratotech Season Opener. It has been determined that there needs to be better communication and an open executive discussion. This will be tabled for 2024 Executive to determine.

14. Lunch Expenses & RoxDogz

RoxDogz was awesome to have as a food truck vendor for our race school date. We need to work out a more streamlined process to feed volunteers from vendors. It has been requested that a menu be forwarded to tasked executives in advance of the vendor so proper arrangements with volunteers can be made.

15. Air Fence Credit for Split Moves with Motorheads Track Attacks

It was determined that air fence is moved not just for Motorheads Track Attacks, but for the EMRA as well. Anyone who comes out to volunteer with the moves, will receive an air fence credit for each requirement. If the air fence move was in accordance with a rental date and required a separate move, then that would be on the renter to plan for transportation, set up and tear down.

16. AMSS - Corporate Membership

As the EMRA is a non-profit organization, we cannot justify spending the members money on a corporate membership to another non-profit organization. However, to support the motorcycle community, we have suggested to do a reciprocating sponsorship for each other with no funds exchanged.

17. Additional Items/Open Discussion

No additional items for discussion

18. Next Meeting Date

Thursday, July 6, 2023

19. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Minutes submitted this 14th day of June 2023.



Jordanna "Jordy" Bobowsky, Secretary

| # | Action Items | Who |
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| 1 | Look into cost of trophies for Endurance Race | Brian |
| 2 | Add information to Riders' Meeting about transponders/Social Media Post | Jon |
| 3 | Social Media Post: Advise racers of the schedule changes | Jon |
| 4 | Highlight waved start races in the Program | Norbert |
| 5 | Talk to sponsor regarding individual's racing/track experience and bike preparation for track | Brian |
| 6 | Contact AMSS about reciprocal sponsorship | Jordy |

| # | Outstanding and Future Action Items | |
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| 1 | Attend to Crash Truck and get it to Jon's shop for inspection and repairs | Anyone |
| 2 | Collect and have all fire extinguishers re-certified | Jordy |
| 3 | Set up booth at the AMSS For the Love of Motorcycles event | Jordy/Jon (Corinne to help out during event?) |

| # | Tabled Items | |
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| 1 | Review and finalize Corporate Bylaws | Tabled to Fall/Off-season |
| 2 | Review and finalize Policy and Procedure Manual | Tabled to Fall/Off-season |
| 3 | Stratotech Season Opener Participation | 2024 Executives |
| 4 | Review race fees | 2024 Executives |