

# NATIONAL AUTOGRASS SPORT ASSOCIATION LTD



SCRUTINEERS ZOOM COMMITTEE MEETING

REF: ZMS2MIN180423/GIJ

TUESDAY 18 APRIL 2023 - 7.30pm

Contemporary notes from Zoom meeting.

## Present

Name		League
J. Knipe	16	CGTRO(LINCOLN)
D. George	14	EAST ANGLIA
S. Heath	01	EAST MIDLANDS
R. Rolls - App	24	FENLAND
G. Pritchard	02	GLOUCESTER
T. Richardson - App	18	KENT
N. Grasby	07	MIDLAND AP
P. Cooper	09	NORTH WESTERN
C. Smyth	21	NORTHERN IRELAND
D. Broughton - App	10	NORTH YORKSHIRE
J. Thompson	25	SCOTTISH LEAGUE
B. Gould	15	SHROPSHIRE AA
J. Napier+	05	SOUTHERN
P. Meli	04	SOUTH WALES
D. Mullen	19	THE DALES
A. O'Neill	23	IRELAND
A. Murray - App	06	WEST MIDLANDS
R. Gurney - App	22	WILTSHIRE
G. Green - App	12	YORKSHIRE

Mr R. Wyeth	NASA Director
Mr C. Allanson	NASA Director
M H. Luck	NASA Director & Stock Hatch SC
Mr D. George	NASA Scrutineer.
Mr N. Grasby	NASA Scrutineer.
Mr A. Taylor	NASA Scrutineer.
Mr N. Taylor	NASA Scrutineers
Mr G. I. Jones	NASA Scrutineers Secretary.
Mr P. Peek	Stock Hatch SC

Mr A. Taylor welcomed all.

## Tyres.

Zoom Tyre meeting has taken place with Kingsport Tyres, & Maxsport Kingsport indicated that they are complying with NASA tyre requirements. Arranging inspection meeting to look at samples has been difficult. Previously arranged meeting has been cancelled, another date to be confirmed – GW phoned RW during this meeting – new date 4pm Sunday.

*Reminder – existing Kingsport tyres prohibited after May date - those with “stick on” labels and/or with incorrect “E” markings cannot be used.*

Maxsport – No shortage of tyres for season. Delivery of tyres currently in progress.

## Option B tyres

The updated list of tyres being produced from a compilation of information gathered during this season. Hopefully list will be placed on scrutineers Facebook page and updated accordingly.

For any road going and or winter tyre, photographs and details must be sent to NASA scrutineers for consideration before use. Davanti tyres being trialled.

## Control Tyres – Junior Specials.

Investigation continuing, additional information regarding sizes and available tyres being sought.

### Gold Tagging.

This is progressing.

No specific tagging venues are being arranged. Request for tagging must be arranged by competitor direct with local tagging person.

Ideally location of tag should be at high level on roll cage upright.

Procedure when vehicle sold on and update of tag records discussed.

*Reminder - All cars qualifying for Nationals must be gold tagged.*

### Red Tagging.

The location of red tag should ideally be adjacent to gold tag.

Concerns regarding non-league person tagging vehicles and differing standards. – Use of Check list helps.

Not all leagues happy with tagging system – system may improve over time.

It is League responsibility to red tag vehicles and keep up to date records inc. put details in licence.

For Large area Leagues the tagging may be delegated to club scrutineers provided it is done under authorised control of League Scrutineer.

A League may red tag another League's vehicle provided contact is made with vehicles' League Chief Scrutineer and agreement sought.

If a vehicle is sold a red and or gold tag must be removed and the new owner must apply to NASA for a new tag.

Information explaining tagging procedures to be placed on website.

### Scrutineering Check List/sheets

These produced to assist in checking vehicles. – *Subsequently sent out 28 & 30 March.*

### Mudflaps/Deflectors.

A Zoom meeting has been held with a number of constructors. A positive response from all. GBE looking at a suitable method in conjunction with other constructors.

C.A. has trialled a modified type on a Class 3 and a F600 vehicle. Now lower and tucked into wheel/tyre shadow. A lifting stop is required and to divert brake pipes away from support arm.

Another Class 3 has trialled a rally type mudflap, however this needs further work.

NASA Board and Chairmen in favour of introduction due to financial and safety benefits as discussed at previous meeting.

The mandatory introduction for RWD vehicles in classes 3, 4, 5, 7,8, 9 & 10 + F600 may be from date of 2<sup>nd</sup> BAS/UKAC round.

### Slider Shock Mountings - Clarification.

Use of a welded "Stop" above slider previously considered. This now disappplied.

A 6-bolt unit must be used. A 4-bolt with additional 2-bolt unit directly above is acceptable.

### Open Face Helmets.

Discussions regarding safety concerns regarding use.

Recommend to NASA Board that their use be prohibited from say 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023.

### F600

2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting to be arranged to discuss future F600 NASA Draft rules – *Zoom meeting due 19/04.*

Items include – Noise test @ 10,000rpm. Minimum weight – 365Kg. Drive boxes usage.

Note – once rules agreed a draft will be available for League scrutineers to view, however the draft must remain confidential until ratified by NASA Board.

### **Correspondence**

#### Letter from SWL – Policing of "Air Holes"

PM (SWL) read out letter. League request that rules regarding air holes in rear of class 4 & 6 vehicles be disappplied.

Many of their vehicles do not comply and members do not want to amend affected vehicles.

Discussion regarding variable policing of rules. Majority of Leagues have made competitors "Fill in" holes by use of alloy plate riveted behind panel as an interim measure until a future re-panel. Certain constructor source of many affected vehicles.

Confirmed that rules will be enforced for remainder of 2023 season.

N.B. Any League that wishes to change rules must formally apply to committee by September so that it be included in correct discussion on rule amendments for 2024.

## **A.O.B.**

### Vehicle Identification

Concern regarding vehicle with letter "B" looking like a "8" – see *Photo on Group Facebook page*.

Reminder identification must be correct and readable by lap scorers. It is competitors' responsibility to ensure identification is correct and readable by lap scorers/officials.

### Seats – Additional holes cut into.

Acceptability up to scrutineers' discretion. If scrutineer concerned regarding holes in specific seat, then a photograph may be placed on scrutineers Facebook page for pass/fail/remedial work opinion.

### Seats – Thick Cushion

Concerns regarding use of thick (100mm/4") foam padding for lady driver – affecting forward movement with head well away from seat headrest. - This ideally not acceptable.

Should move seat and or foot pedals and or extend foot pedals via add on spacer etc; to suit driver.

### Seat – Head to roll cage clearance.

Concerns that some competitors lie back in seat when scrutineered showing correct 3" head clearance, but when racing lean forward/more upright with incorrect clearance – to be checked and competitors advised to rectify.

### Seats – Permitted types.

The Tillett C1 seat (Carbon/GRP) now has FIA motorsport competition approval so it may now be added to the NASA permitted seat list.

Other makes of seat are available that also have FIA motorsport approval. Competitors advised to ask before using.

### Seats – Adjustable Spacer Supports – see *Photo on Group Facebook page*.

Seat support fitted with spacer to allow forward minor adjustment for say different stature driver is acceptable provided spacer is very close fit and minimum size for adjustment.

Meeting Closed 9.24pm.

### Not discussed but included for information:

#### Rule Books. –Updates – due on website shortly.

*Tyres – amendment as agreed at tyre meeting – Markings need only be on one tyre sidewall.*

*Seats – Tillett C1 added.*

*Saloons – Roll Cage – additional clarification wording and drawing to clarify rear brace bar angle measurement.*

*Class 1 – Yaris - Misprint correction.*

*Class 1 – All vehicles – Wheel Spacer clarification – 3mm all vehicles. Type of wheels restriction no longer relevant.*

*Class 3 – Clarification of required centre tunnel support frame.*

*4/5 door bodyshells – clarification of permitted rear wheel arch/door modification.*

*Class 3,4,5,6, & 7 – Steel front bulkhead only permitted.*

*Stock Hatch – Clarification of permitted components and checking references.*

*Class 5 & 7 – Clarification - front inner wheel arch/bulkhead requirement amended.*

*Specials – Clarification of chassis driver compartment mean width measuring locations.*

#### Future rule amendments for consideration

##### Exhaust Outlet Location –

*Outlet to be within 50mm of bodyshell.*

*Outlet must be behind "B" post.*

*Outlet must not exit through drivers compartment doors.*

#### 2023 National Championships - Pre-race Scrutineering.

*All vehicles will be noise and brake checked.*

*Class 1,2, Stock Hatch, 6 & 3 will be thoroughly checked.*

*Other classes given a quick overview check.*

**FUTURE ZOOM SCRUTINEERS COMMITTEE MEETINGS: TUESDAY 20 June @ 7.30pm.**