

CONSTITUTION

1. TITLE

The name of the Association shall be "The Association of Eastern Motor Clubs", hereinafter referred to as "The Association".

2. OBJECTS

1. To join in association, motor clubs affiliated to the Motor Sports Association Ltd. Located in East Anglia, and other clubs promoting events within this area and other counties under the auspices of the Association.
2. To provide member clubs with information, advice and assistance on matters connected with motoring.
3. To regulate and co-ordinate dates of motoring events to be organised by member clubs.
4. To ascertain the wishes of the member clubs with regard to any current matter affecting the sport, or its administration and present that view at any meeting of a body constructed by the MSA for that purpose.
5. To provide means by which member clubs may promote events under a joint organisation.
6. To enable member clubs to discuss matters which would be for their joint benefit.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Motor clubs located in the areas as here fore stated in 2.1 above and any such clubs as we may from time to time invite or accept for membership upon approval.

4. OFFICERS

There shall be a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Competition Secretary, Treasurer, Championship Administrators and other officers as required, their duties to be defined.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Officers of the Association shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting to be held in February or such time as may be voted upon, and subject to termination of office by resignation or otherwise, shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Chairman shall not be entitled to hold office for more than 3 consecutive terms unless approved by the representatives of the member clubs present.

6. MEETINGS

The Association shall meet at least two times each year and whenever summoned by the Honorary Secretary, who may convene a meeting of his own accord or shall do so by the direction of the Chairman or on a requisition signed by five member clubs. Six member clubs shall form a quorum.

7. DUTIES OF HONORARY SECRETARY

It shall be the duty of the Honorary Secretary to attend in person all meetings of the Association and take minutes of the proceedings. Such minutes shall be entered in a book and presented for confirmation at the following meeting. Copies of such minutes shall be distributed to all member clubs, other Regional Associations and the Motor Sports Association.

8. DUTIES OF THE HONORARY COMPETITION SECRETARY

It shall be the duty of the Honorary Competition Secretary to co-ordinate activities of the Rally, Autotest, Sprint and Autocross Co-ordinators in order to ensure the smooth running of the Association Championships and to attend in person all meetings of the Association for the purpose of providing such details as may be required for the competition activities within the area.

9. DUTIES OF THE HONORARY TREASURER

it shall be the duty of the Honorary Treasurer to attend in person all meetings of the Association, receive subscriptions and keep a true record of all receipts and expenditures of the Association. All monies of the Association shall be banked in the name of the Association at the financial institution as agreed at the AGM or other meetings of the Association.

10. DUTIES OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP ADMINISTRATORS

It shall be the duty of the Championship Administrators to attend in person all meetings of the Association, to receive entries for the Championships and maintain all necessary records to facilitate the running of the championships including the list of entrants, qualifying events and points scored etc. He shall act under the direction of the Honorary Competition Secretary to carry out these and other duties the association may from time to time decide.

11. FORMATION OF COMMITTEES

The Officers of the Association shall be empowered, when circumstances demand, to form a committee for any specific purpose relevant to the activities of the Association. Any such committee shall contain at least one of the Officers, who shall automatically assume the chair. Any action necessary under extreme circumstances may be taken at the discretion of the Officers in the light of the advice of such a committee, such action to be reported fully and ratified by the membership, at the earliest opportunity. Any member club is entitled to attend.

12. COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATION

Member clubs of the Association shall provide two delegates – at least one of whom should be an Officer or a Committee member of that club to be accredited representative on the council of the Association. The name and address of the official to whom Association information should be sent shall be supplied to the Honorary Secretary of the Association each year in the month following the Annual General Meeting of the Association.

13. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

Application of clubs for membership of the Association shall be submitted to the Association by the Honorary Secretary and the election of such clubs shall be at the discretion of the Association.

14. VOTING AT MEETINGS

Each member club present at a meeting of the Association shall be entitled to exercise one vote. The Chairman shall not vote except in the case of a casting vote.

15. SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual subscription fee for member clubs will be payable at the time of the Annual General Meeting each year, the fee to be decided at such meeting. The subscription fee may only be increased at an Annual general Meeting. Any club failing to meet its subscriptions due within 3 months of the AGM shall forfeit its membership, and remain liable for the amount concerned.

16. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held in the month of February each year, upon a date and time to be fixed by the Association in general meeting, unless a different month is decided. The Annual General Meeting shall:

- i) Receive a full statement of Accounts showing all receipts and expenditure for the year ended.
- ii) Elect the Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Competition Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Championship Administrators and Vice Chairman.
- iii) Decide and resolution which may have been duly submitted to the meeting as hereinafter provided.

17. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A Special General Meeting may be convened on a requisition to the Hon. Secretary stating the business for which the meeting is required and signed by not less than five member clubs. If the meeting so requisitioned but not convened within 28 days the member clubs may convene such a meeting. Any matters of a nature normally conducted at an Annual General Meeting may also be conducted at a Special General Meeting provided that such matters be notified in the manner required for such a meeting. Six member clubs shall form a quorum.

18. NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

At least 28 days notice of all meetings shall be given but the non receipt of such notice by any member club shall not invalidate the proceedings. The agenda for such meetings shall be distributed at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting.

19. AGENDA

When a member club wishes a matter to be discussed at a general meeting the text of such matter shall be sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Association at least 21 days prior to the date of the meeting in order that it may be included in the agenda. The Association shall meet at a named venue of a suitable nature as notified in the agenda.

20. ALTERATION TO THE RULES

Any alteration may be made to these rules by a General Meeting convened for that purpose provided the (a) details of the proposed alteration or alterations are included in the Notice of the General meeting and (b) that the resolution proposing such alteration is carried by two thirds of those present and voting at such meeting.

21. DISSOLUTION

The Association may be dissolved by a Special General Meeting convened for that purpose on the requisition of the majority of the member clubs. If the resolution of dissolution is duly passed by a two thirds majority of those present the Association shall forthwith liquidate its affairs, and if there be any surplus assets or realisation these shall be disposed of at the discretion of the Association in General Meeting.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Championships shall consist of the following categories

- i) Road Rally Championship
- ii) Stage Rally Championship
- iii) Autocross Championship
- iv) Sprint Championship
- v) Autotest Championship
- vi) Club Championships