5. That there should be roof grades for driver ability, with best drivers starting from the back of the grid.

Proposer - Danny Budd

David Hobbs has reservations due to top drivers trying to pass the novices etc. In Favour (2), against (the majority) – not carried.

6. The All Rounders championship to have a bonus round where drivers can nominate rounds in advance to count for double points.

Proposer - Scott Lawson Seconder - Sue Hobbs

In favour, against (2) - Carried.

7. The fitting of external door mirrors to be allowed. Proposer – Ralph Budd Seconder - Garry York

Ralph would like them to be optional

In Favour, none against – carried.

8.Due to the unavailability of offset rocker bushes and posts, Vehicle Regulation 3.9 be amended to allow use of 1.5:1 rocker assemblies – NOT JUNIOR MINICROSS

Propser – Richard Wakeling Seconder – Clive Holloway

In favour, none against – carried.

Regs will be amended to allow offsets, standards or 1.5:1 's.

The 1.5's are made by Titan and David Hobbs will contact them for a deal. Forged ones can also be used. This leads to the question of should there be a specified valve lift.

9. That engines can be fitted with remote oil pre-filter system. Dry sump systems are not permitted. To be optional.

Proposer – Richard Wakeling Seconder – Clive Holloway

Richard says the Regulations need to state oil systems can be enhanced if you want to. The cost is approx £250 but it protects against engine damage.

In favour, none against – carried.

10. The regulations should state no modification to engine internals/ block from standard unless stated in the regulations. If you wish to make amended this can put in writing to the committee at any time.

In favour, none against – carried.

Any other business - None.

David thanked everyone for attending. Meeting closed at 1743pm.

Attended by 25 people.

## **Junior Minicross Update**

<u>Camshafts</u> Kent Cams have been designated as suppliers of the control camshaft for Junior Minicross and will be available exclusively through the MDA. All camshafts will be numbered and recorded. Price is £36.00 + £4.50 p&p. Please make cheques payable to the MDA and send to the above address.

**Tyres** The BRDA have negotiated a 3 year agreement with Yokohama Tyres to supply control tyres to Stock Hatch, Minicross & Junior Minicross classes. Junior Minicross tyre will be 165/55R12 A048R priced at £49.50ea +VAT. Designated supplier is: Xsport Racing, London Road, Binfield, Bracknell, Berks, RG42 4BS, Tel: 01344 452020

Xsport Racing can supply either by Mail Order or on-site at all Championship meetings.

Yokohama Tyres are establishing a prize fund for the first 3 drivers in each class.

**Inlet restrictors** Inlet restrictors are available foc from the MDA, address as above.

<u>Battery position</u> Following a resolution at the recent AGM it was agreed that batteries could be mounted either in the existing battery box in the boot or in the passenger compartment in a securely located leak-proof container. When battery is relocated in the passenger compartment, original battery box can be removed and aperture plated over. **Original profile of boot floor must be retained.** 

<u>Exhaust Manifolds</u> Clarification has been requested regarding cast factory exhaust manifolds. Only single outlet manifolds will be permissable.

<u>Seat Harness</u> To prevent the risk of submarining, it is **strongly recommended** that a 6 point harness with crutch straps be fitted.

**Battery cable** On engines fitted with pre-engaged starters, the battery cable to the starter is continuously live. In the event of a front impact, bodywork could be forced back onto the live terminal. A conventional starter relay should be incorporated into the battery cable to operate when starter is engaged.

## Wakelings' Waffles.

Well having done a bit of racing this season the usual flow of Waffles just hasn't been there, sorry about that ,so what give's.....well there have been several instances this season where yours truly has been reported as making mistakes, well at the start they were down to being race rusty...always a problem at the start of all seasons....but they did carry on ...well don't forget the saying "you can't teach an old dog new tricks"... this season I've made the change to the Left Foot Braking Club, now bear in mind I have been practising for at least five years...so you can see progress is very slow for this Old Dog!! , but the gains are there to be had and when it's got right what can be achieved with our Mini cars is absolutely amazing...the cock ups though..oh dear ,oh dear, ...my problem is my remote.. I am at a stage now where my left foot can hit any pedal at any time, and it is amazing how quick you stop when you go for 3rd 4th change and the brake gets given the clutch shove, quite how the back of my car has lasted nearly all season is a credit to you lot...sorry!!!! but what a brilliant seasons racing I've had.

Thanks for the season it's been great....I just love the racing....it is tough but it is honest.....best race for me was Blyton "A" final, almost an entire lap in the boot of Dave Binks and along side Danny Budd with Dave Brodie in my boot, absolutely blinding.....

## **WAKELINGS WAFFLES (cont).**

STOP'Y of the year clearly goes to Dave Brodie, this stunt is normally done on a motor bike and involves riding a fair distance on the front wheel with the back as high as you dare...nose bleeds is what most people get, Dave on the other hand decided he could do it in his Mini!!!! from 70 to zero in 3 feet definitely gets the back up HIGH !!! it also has minor side effects such radically shortening your cars wheel base, and minor injuries to personage A BROKEN NECK this is one hell of a stunt!!! no more of these PLEASE....it scared the crap out of all those who saw it. Bravest Parent award clearly goes to Les Brodie...interesting side note when Dave went to get he "all clear" Mum went along .....she had the Doc on the rack just to make sure he UNDERSTOOD.

Anyway luck was with Dave , the Doc was a sports person and he got the all clear and promptly went and won the International challenge...TOP JOB.

Charlie Whaley.. this is another young man who is going to become a very real threat over next season, this year has seen his main attack in the Allrounders, and he has put in some blinding drives, he hasn't showed this form in the Rally Cross yet but he is very smooth and the potential is there and he will come to the front. Watch this Whaley space.

BANG !!!!! This sums up our last "A" final at Croft, in one accident 4 of the top runners were out of it. In a season that has seen a few incidents!!! it may have been appropriate. But with Paul W out along with team Budd and Dave Binks this left the Championship firmly in Gary York's hands.

## TOP JOB AND CONGRATULATIONS.

The comment at the start of the season was about how the season would be won , and in my mind this season has gone to the best STARTER. Gary has been magnificent out of the trap all season, quite obviously he has also travelled very fast and on a one to one battle there are few he hasn't won. Great news is he is intending to defend his crown so there's next years target for the young guns.

But from every down side there is always an up side, and the rerun final provided a brilliant result for those left, Matt Roach saved his best till last and proved what we all knew and took a great 2nd having only missed a front row on count back, Steven Lodge took an absolutely blinding 3rd ....he is another Mr Smooth..... that 3rd looked dead right and even with Rod Stanniland keeping him honest he stayed bang on line (Yet another young gun!!!!) Rod in the "A" final , no surprise there, watching Rod is something that should be mandatory for all young guns, (and maybe the rest of us), it's clear he is fast, but it's his track tactics that have so consistently put him in the "A", he quite simply knows where to hold line, give space, pressure, he knows the strengths and weaknesses of fellow competitors, and his ol' grey matter processes this into what is great consistent results.

We went up to Knock hill recently to run the track in , it ain't a place for the faint hearted, all the loose is enclosed ,banks or tyres just to keep you in, very similar to Holland only 20mph faster.

Tristam Barden left his mark there...a dirty great hole in the bank as he rolled... not a recommended way to start your day, especially when you are 500 miles from home...anyway a bit of pushing and pulling and an adjusted screen (loaned from Team Binks) and he was soon rocking and rolling(only joking).

The finals saw them made up purely from times so we had a sort out with the stock hatch guys, guess what...got shoved out the way. It's a funny thing how some parts of a circuit suit you.... from the loose you turned into a double apex right, the first part was awful, just plain untidy, but from the middle, time could be gained all the way out onto the straight and this worked all day .I can understand getting shoved out of the way, cos I would have been cheesed off if my 205had just been outgunned by a Mini---Minis had the moral victory.

