Stonehaven District Radio Car Club AGM 2026 Minutes

Held via Google Meet on 29th October 2026 7:00pm

Chairman Report

Hello,

Thanks to everyone for attending the 2026 SDRCC AGM.

We have had a good year at the club and the weather for the most part has been on our side!

I think that the racing has been fair and everyone has raced with respect for the most part (I know we all have our moments!)

Once again the club has moved forward and developed into something better, with the fencing of the on road track being replaced and slightly modified we have all had a more 'together' pitting area!

Big thanks to all of those that took the time to come down to the maintenance days and lend a hand, you all know who you are and its because of you that the club is going from strength to strength! We had serval positive comments of the new on road track from competitors of the second SORS round hosted at the club which was a direct result of the hard work put in by you all!

We now have a bigger (and in my opinion better) offroad track as well which was the biggest investment the club made this year, money well spent I'd say.

As far as the membership goes it looks like we are steady, I would love to see this grow even further but I am also aware that this is a very hard thing to achieve, my hope is that if we continue to upgrade the facilities we will get more and more 'travelling' members from further afield as we had this year after the offroad track upgrades.

Big congratulations to the winners of the various classes, we had four classes running this year with some very close and competitive racing and three individual winners which is good to see.

Lots to look forward to next year, hope everyone has a good winter and it will be outdoor time again before we know it!

Cheers,

Steve Harley
Chairman SDRCC

Treasurer Report

32 paid members again for 2026 (inclusive of adults and juniors)

Account balance as of 23/10/26 - £15,311.30

Significant deposits:

- 5K donation from George Gauld
- SORS income for 2026 - £940 (£942 in 2025 so comparable)
- £753 from GP weekend

Expenditure:

- Astro extension purchase - £1469.54
- 2026 Toilet hire- £1141.92
- Various expenses for building materials, maintenance etc before and during the season (not itemised due to volume of bank/PayPal transactions individually)

Known upcoming expenditure due before 2027 season starts:

Next council rent will be due February (£300)

Monthly electricity bills (standing charge)

Proposals

- allow an additional class of 1/8gte . Running on Sunday or Saturday or different calendar altogether to be agreed with anyone wanting to run. Proposed by Chris Briggs
    - Proposal modified to say any 1.8th scale electric onroad car so as to not exclude anyone in the first year but care to be given if there is a mismatch in speeds (
    - **Proposal passed**

Committee Election

New committee positions have been outlined in Appendix A. New committee are as follows (*denotes mandatory position as per club constitution):

Position	Incumbent	2026 Voted In	Commentary
Chairman*	Steve Harley	Steve Harley	
Secretary*	Chris Briggs	Chris Briggs	
Treasurer*	Jeremy Stephens	Jeremy Stephens	
Race control officer*	Mark Knowles	Mark Knowles	
Webmaster	Martin Inglis	Mark Knowles	
Maintenance / facilities rep	N/A	N/A	Position not filled – to be absorbed into other committee positions
SORS Rep	David Scott	David Scott	
Safety rep	N/A	N/A	Position not filled – to be absorbed into other committee positions
BRCA/events Rep	Keith Eagles	Keith Eagles	
Chief Scrutineer	Jamie Dow, Mark Knowles	Jamie Dow, Mark Knowles & Chris Briggs	

Top three in each class:

Class	3rd Place	2nd Place	1st Place
SPEC	Rudy Dow	Luke Chapman	Keith Eagles
MOD	Justin Clegg	Chris Briggs	Matthew Archer
4wd OFFROAD	Steve Harley	Mark Knowles	David Scott
2wd OFFROAD	Steve Harley	Martin Inglis	David Scott

Jr Spec Champ – Rudy Dow

Club Constitution

- No changes proposed

Fees:

	2025	2026
Adult Member	£40	£40
Junior Member	£20	£20
Member 1 Class	£7	£7
Member 2 Classes	£10	£10
Non-Member 1 Class	£14	£14
Non-Member 2 Classes	£20	£20

AOB

- Next Maintenance day & winter pack up
    - Agreed no major maintenance / pack up needed. Chris to go get lipos and mower battery and look after over winter
- Agreement that club constitution will be added to AGM notes and for all to read and propose any changes for consideration at next AGM
- Projects envisaged for 2027 – 2nd set of stairs and cover for offroad rostrum to make facility suitable for a national if awarded
- Matthew Archer is finalising the report to the lottery detailing how the award was spent against that which was presented in the application

Next AGM

- Thursday 18th November 2027, 7pm
    - Moved to allow any changes from BRCA AGMS to be considered

Attendees

Mark Knowles	Matthew Archer	Chris Briggs	David Lovie
Peter Eagles	Jeremy Stephens	Steve Harley	David Scott
Keith Eagles	Martin Ingles		

Apologies

Non Received			

APPENDIX A: Committee role descriptions

- Chair
    - Serves as the primary leader and spokesperson of the club, ensuring that the club operates smoothly
    - Chairs meetings (e.g., AGM, general, and committee)
    - Develops long-term plans for the club's sustainability and future growth
    - Main contact between local council and external stakeholders
- Treasurer
    - Budgeting: Develop and manage the club's budget.
    - Record Keeping
    - Income Collection: Oversee membership and event fees
    - Payments & Expenses: Manage bill payments, reimbursements, and club purchases
    - Banking: Oversee the club's bank accounts and financial security
    - Membership Administration: Process applications and update membership details
- Secretary
    - Meeting Management: Schedule meetings and prepare agendas
    - Minutes Taking: Record and distribute meeting minutes
    - Record Keeping: Maintain club records and documents
    - Document Storage: Organize and archive club documents
    - AGM Support: Help plan and manage the annual general meeting
- BRCA/events rep
    - Schedules the race calendar for each season, including BRCA/special events
    - Main BRCA liaison
- SORS Rep
    - Main SORS liaison and coordinates with SORS and events rep to schedule and organise SORS events
- Webmaster
    - Maintains the club website, Facebook page and online mail accounts
    - Publishes posts and announcements on the Facebook page to keep members and the general public aware of the club's events and news
- Race control officer
    - Custodian of the race control computer, timing box and rental transponders
    - Oversees the race control personnel and prepares roster for the season
- Maintenance/facilities rep
    - Plans maintenance and upgrades to the facility
    - Ensures that jobs are planned and materials are obtained in advance of each maintenance day
    - Routine inspections of the facility and notes any repairs required
- Safety rep
    - Maintains safety book
    - Ensures that it is updated with any incidents that arise
    - Reports incidents to the BRCA
- Chief Scrutineer
    - Maintains race and build rules and ensures they are followed on a race day
    - Maintains club cars and ensures they are in operable condition

APPENDIX B: Club Constitution

Stonehaven and District Radio Car Club

Club Constitution

Revision: December 2021

1. TITLE:

The Club will be known as the Stonehaven and District Radio Car Club – the 'SDRCC'.

2. OBJECT:

- To facilitate and provide SDRCC members with opportunities to engage in Radio Control (RC) car racing and enjoy the benefits and facilities provided by the Club.
- To promote RC car competition events at the Club
- To engage with the local community to advance the sport of RC car racing.

AFFILIATION TO THE BRITISH RADIO CAR ASSOCIATION – the 'BRCA'

- SDRCC shall be an affiliated member of the BRCA
- BRCA rules and regulations will apply to all competition events at the Club, unless higher level rules and regulations over-ride, such as those as may be imposed by Local Council or National Government.

4. MEMBERSHIP:

Membership of the Club shall

- be open to all persons irrespective of age
- commence when the relevant membership documentation has been completed and the appropriate membership subscription paid.

Club membership shall consist of the following categories:

- Adult Members (From 16 years old upwards)
- Junior Members (Up to 16 years old)

Members of SDRCC shall be additionally required to be current members of BRCA in order to participate in Club competition events

5. SUBSCRIPTIONS:

- Annual membership subscriptions shall be paid at the start of the season.

6. OFFICIALS:

- The administration of the Club and the enforcement of the Club rules and constitution shall be the sole responsibility of the Club Committee, being the duly elected members provided for below.

- Eligibility for election onto the Club Committee shall be open to any category of Member provided their nomination is supported by two other Club Members.
- The duly elected Club Committee shall consist of the following
    - Chairman
    - Treasurer
    - Secretary
    - Race Director
- In addition to the duly elected members of the Club Committee, other members may be Co-opted Members of the Club Committee as required. Such roles may include
    - BRCA Liaison Officer
    - Race Scrutineer
- Each duly elected Club Committee Member shall be permitted to have, at his or her sole discretion, a sub-committee made up of other Club Members to assist in his or her duties.
- In all decisions to be made by the duly elected Club Committee, including any decisions to expel any Member from the Club or refuse to permit any applicant to join the Club or to renew their Membership, the Chairman shall have the casting vote.
- The Club Committee's term of office shall be for one year with elections to take place at the AGM.
- Any Member of the Club committee may, if he or she so chooses, seek re-election to the same or any other post.
- The Club Committee shall meet at regular intervals to be decided by the Committee.
- Any variation to the Club's Rules or Constitution shall be decided upon by the duly elected Club Committee and any altered rules or amendments to the Constitution shall be published and forwarded to each Club Member by the Secretary within 28 days.

7. VOTING:

- Those eligible to vote at the AGM or any EGM called by the Club Committee are:
    - Every Adult Member
    - Every Junior Member

8. FINANCE:

- All matters relating to spending within the Club shall be referred through the Treasurer to the Club Committee. The Treasurer shall provide annual financial statements to the Club Committee and present an annual report at the AGM.
- There shall be two signatories on the Club account cheque-book one of whom shall be the Treasurer.
- No major expenditure in excess of £200 shall be possible without the prior approval of the Club Committee.

- The Clubs accounts shall be audited yearly.
- All surplus income or profits shall be re-invested in the club. No surpluses or assets shall be distributed to members or third parties.

9. FINANCIAL YEAR:

- The financial year shall run from the 1st January.

10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

- All members shall be informed of the date and agenda of the AGM
- The following business shall be considered at the AGM:
    - Reports on the general workings of the club;
    - Presentation of the Club accounts;
    - Election of Club officers/Committee Members,
    - Review and approval of the annual membership-fees, and race fees;
    - Discussion of any other business of which due notice has been given.
    - Arranging a provisional date for the next AGM.

11. DEFICIENCY OF FUNDS:

- The Treasurer shall inform the Club Committee of any impending deficiency of funds.
- The duly elected Club Committee shall then decide as to whether the auditor needs to be brought in to advise on raising capital from the Club membership or on closure of the Club.

12. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES:

- This shall be reviewed annually by the Club Committee.

13. HEALTH & SAFETY:

- The Club Committee shall appoint a member to be responsible for ensuring adherence to current Health & Safety Legislation.

14. CHILD PROTECTION:

- The club will not maintain any specific child protection policies and all participants under the age of 16 should be accompanied by a responsible adult who will be responsible for the wellbeing of that child whilst participating in club events.

15. MEMBERS ADDRESSES:

- Member's address shall be recorded on the Club's records and shall be deemed correct unless the Secretary has been duly notified.
- It is each individual member's responsibility to ensure that the Secretary is aware of their current address.
- The Secretary shall be responsible for ensuring that Member data is maintained within GPDR confidentiality guidelines

16. CLUB RULES:

- Every Club Member is expected to act in a manner that promotes the club and its activities in a positive manner. All club members will treat all persons (club members and non club members) with respect and communicate in a polite manner at all times whilst participating in club organised events.
- Any bullying or repetitive breach of class rules will not be tolerated
- Any serious breach of the Club's rules and or Constitution shall entitle the duly elected Club Committee in its discretion to end summarily any member's membership of the Club.
- Any Member whose membership is terminated in accordance with the above provision shall not be entitled to any refund of the balance of the annual Membership subscription.

17. DISSOLUTION:

- Upon dissolution of the club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another registered CASC (Community Amateur Sports Club), a registered charity or the sport's governing body.

Club Constitution presented at AGM 21 December 2021 and accepted.