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COURT OF ENQUIRY 1168

TO INVESTIGATE THE CHANGING OF RESULTS OF THE MOTORCYCLE RACES HELD AT ALDO SCRIBANTE RACEWAY, PORT ELIZABETH ON 12 MARCH 2016. HEARING HELD AT THE ALDO SCRIBANTE RACEWAY CONTROL TOWER ON THE GROUND FLOOR ON WEDNESDAY 23 MARCH 2016 AT 18H00.

Present:	Roger Stephen	-	Court President
	Paul Roelofse	-	Court Member
	Alistair Pringle	-	Court Member
	Eric Schultz	-	Clerk of the Course
	Ray Wood	-	Competitor
	Sparky Bright	-	Event Organiser
	Lucille Elliott	-	Secretary M/C Division
	Glenton Kendrick	-	Technical Consultant M/C
	Rane Berry	-	Scrutineer
Apologies:	Barry Kapelus	-	MSA Steward

INTRODUCTION

The Court President introduced himself and the other court members. There were no objections to the composition of the court.

THE HEARING

Mr Ray Wood was asked why, two days after the event, he had requested that the M/C Secretary exclude him from Races 2 & 3 in the PSP Class B. He also requested that the points obtained in Race 2 and Race 3 in the Historics motorcycle class should stand. (Historics & Class PSP B compete in their own race/heat – Art 8.1.2 Refer Regulations for the 2016 AMSC Motorcycle Championships)

Mr Wood then stated that he had used his NC 30 Motorcycle for Race 1. It was established that, after having problems with this motorcycle, that he changed bikes and used his NC 35 motorcycle, which he also raced in PSP Class A in separate races for the rest of the day. (Art 8.1.1 in the Regulations)

It was also established that Mr Wood swapped transponders on his motorcycle for the different races and did not approach the COC or race officials saying that he was only using one motorcycle. As far as the timing officials were concerned, these were two different motorcycles that he was racing and he was scored accordingly.

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The NC 30 motorcycle is a 1989 model and is eligible to be raced in the Historics motorcycle class called the Pre 1990.

The NC 35 motorcycle is a 1994 model and is not eligible to be raced in the Historics motorcycle class.

After hearing the evidence led from the competitor and all other parties, it is evident that the competitor transgressed and/or ignored the rules with regard to the changing of motorcycles without going through the correct channels and without complying with the 2016 regulations for the class/classes entered.

Furthermore, it is also established that Mr Wood knowingly rode the incorrect motorcycle in the Historics and the PSP B class for Races 2 and 3 and was quite happy to try to place the blame for his indiscretions on others, as well as to receive awards for these classes at the end of the day.

FINDINGS

After deliberating, the court finds as follows:-

- 1) Competitor Ray Wood is hereby excluded from the results of all three races held at Aldo Scribante on Saturday 12th March 2016 in the Historics Class as well as the PSP Class B. Ref. GCR 234 i) Scoring after exclusion from results.
- 2) Mr Wood is further precluded from participating in three further MSA events at the Aldo Scribante Circuit. This sentence of preclusion is however suspended until 31st October 2016. Should it be established that any similar transgressions occur during the intervening period, the suspended sentence will then come into effect.
- 3) In terms of GCR 281 vii), Mr. Wood is instructed to return the trophies/awards received for 1st place in the PSP Class B, as well as 3rd place in the Historics Class. He may not participate in any further events until these trophies/awards have been returned to the organizing Club.
- 4) As Mr Wood 'broke out' in Race 1, he may no longer ride the same NC 30 motorcycle in the PSP B Class.
- 5) The event organisers are hereby instructed to re-score the event and distribute the trophies/awards to the rightful recipients once the results have been amended in terms of GCR 278 and GCR 279.
- 6) It is recommended that the Controllers of the Championship revisit and clarify Clause 8 of the Regulations.
- 7) It is also recommended that the Controllers and the Technical Working Group institute a method of marking the Historic motorcycles so that they can be easily identified by the race officials during events.

All parties are advised of their rights in terms of GCR 212 B.

These findings are distributed via email on 13 April 2016.

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