

To all riders,

It has come to the attention of the Enduro Committee that on Sunday past at the Drumtochty Time Card event, an entered and signed on rider pulled in during the event. Instead of handing in his time card and transponder his bike gear and both of the aforementioned items were passed to a spectator.

I am aware that in the past especially in MX this was not encouraged but might have gone on in rare occasions and tolerated by the organising club and the SACU.

However, days have changed radically and not only do we now live in a 'claim culture' but it is increasingly difficult to get land for events and our clubs can only get permission when land owners feel confident that they are totally exempt from liability by knowing that clubs have ticked all the boxes to ensure that proper insurance, medics and all other items are in place.

The spectator who took over the reins of the retiree's bike rode with absolutely no insurance, so had he injured himself another rider or a spectator, the organising club and the SACU would have been hung drawn and quartered in court. Additionally, if landlords became aware of this then we would surely be denied in future the availability of land. I am fully aware of the hoops BAMCC had to go through to be allowed the chance to hold this event and such actions are quite honestly a kick in the teeth to them and the SACU.

Due to the fact that I believe the actions of these two riders was through ignorance of the possible consequences rather than a total disregard of the behaviour expected of riders, the SACU will take no disciplinary action.

However, now that we all know the consequences of such behaviour rest assured that in future the Enduro committee will take very robust measures against the culprits.

Jim Mair, SACU Enduro Chairman 2/10/25.