

## Riders' Briefing Notes

**Event:** NSW Pirelli Motul Clubman Road Race Series Round 2  
and  
NSW Motorcycle Road Race Championships Round 2

**Promoter:** St. George MCC Inc.  
**Track:** Sydney Motorsport Park - Gardner GP Circuit  
**Date:** Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd May 2021

*This online version of the riders' briefing is to give you important information prior to your attendance at round 2 of the Pirelli Motul road race series. During the formal riders' briefing on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, you will be given further information followed by the opportunity to have any queries or concerns addressed.*

<b><u>Key Officials</u></b>	Clerk of Course	Michael Rooke.
	Steward	Terry Wahlen.
	Race Secretary	Peter Snow.

### **As your Clerk of Course for this meeting:**

- It is my duty to inform you that motorcycle racing can be dangerous. In taking part in this meeting, you are participating in an activity that has risks, and every one of us here at this meeting has a part to play in managing those risks down to an acceptable level. **That means you and me!** Your equipment may be damaged or lost, and you may be injured or worse.
- By entering this meeting and signing your entry/disclaimer form you are acknowledging this risk and that you have read the supplementary regulations for this meeting. Final instructions will be issued prior to the meeting.

### **My responsibilities include:**

- Ensuring appropriate medical coverage for the weekend
- Ensuring that our officials are properly briefed; and
- Conducting the meeting in as safe manner as possible

### **Your responsibilities include:**

- Conducting yourself in a responsible manner accordance with the Manual of Motorcycle Sport and that you have read and understand the General Competition Rules (GCR's) regarding Road Racing and its requirements.
- Adhering to instructions given by race officials and marshals
- Taking it easy on your first time out on the circuit
- Having a good look for where our marshals and flag points are located.
- Knowing what each of the flags mean and taking note of them.
- If you have been hospitalised in the 7 days prior to the event you must advise the medical team before undertaking any track activity.

### **Flags**

- Red (waved): Track activity stopped, return to pits at a cautionary speed.

- Yellow (held stationary at the point before the waved yellow): Danger ahead, use caution.  
Yellow (waved at the point before an incident): Immediate danger ahead, be prepared to stop.  
**No passing under the yellow flag**
- Green (waved): Track is clear, racing may continue past this point.
- Lack of adhesion (red/yellow stripes held stationary): Indicates fluid or debris on track.
- White (waved): Indicates rain at that point/sector.
- Black (held stationary with rider's number displayed at start/finish line): Indicates the rider must stop at the pits on the next lap.
- Chequered (waved at the start/finish line): Indicates finish of race or practice/qualifying session.

## **Boards and Air Horns**

Boards are displayed and air horns sounded at pit exit and start/finish as follows:

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| • <i>5 minute</i>      | At the beginning of the day             |
| • <i>2 minute</i>      | Before opening of pit exit              |
| • <i>30 Seconds</i>    | Before opening of pit exit.             |
| • <i>Delayed Start</i> | Will be displayed at the Starter's box. |
| • <i>Penalty</i>       | Will be displayed at Start/Finish.      |
| • <i>Last Lap</i>      | Will be displayed at Start/Finish.      |

## **Pit Entry**

- Pit Entry is riders left on the main straight after turn 18

## **Pit Lane**

- Direction is one-way in race direction.
- Speed Limits are 40kph on the bitumen, walking pace on the concreted area.
- No Smoking in pit lane or in garages. Smoking is permitted in designated areas ONLY.
- Fully enclosed footwear is to be worn in pit lane.
- No spectators are permitted on pit wall.
- Signalling is permitted on pit wall in front of your garage.
- No pushbikes, wheelchairs, prams or persons under 16 (unless a competitor) are permitted past the garage front door.

## **Pit Exit**

- Pit exit will be opened for 20 seconds for entry to the circuit for sighting/warm up. After 20 seconds pit exit will be closed with a red flag - **do not go through**. Follow instructions given by the marshal.

## **Practice/Qualifying Sessions**

- Practice/Qualifying sessions will be 10 minutes to the chequered flag.
- Pit exit will remain open during these sessions.

- You can exit the circuit during sessions at pit entry ONLY.
- Sessions will be declared by a waved chequered flag.
- Exit circuit at the end of these sessions at pit entry only.

### Practice Starts

- Will only be permitted at the conclusion of each Practice/Qualifying session and ONLY in the designated area after Turn 15 on **riders' right of track**.
- The designated area will be defined by a board and witches' hats.
- A waved yellow flag will be displayed at Turn 15 indicating practice starts occurring.
- If you are not going to do a practice start, **Keep Well Left** and proceed with caution.

### Red Flag during Race or Practice/Qualifying Session

- Should a Race or Practice/Qualifying session be red flagged, riders are to proceed with caution and exit the circuit at pit entry after Turn 18 – **NOT TURN 4**
- Return to your garages and await further instructions via pit announcements.
- Riders should be aware that emergency vehicles may be on the circuit. Be vigilant, exercise caution and **do not overtake** emergency vehicles.

### Procedures during racing

- Saturday - one combined sighting and warm-up lap  
Sunday - for the first round of racing there will be a separate sighting and warm-up lap Ensure your bike has sufficient fuel for these extra laps. Following the first round of racing the remaining races will revert to one combined sighting and warm-up lap.
- Know your grid position - row markers are displayed on the grass area of the grid.
- Grids are as per qualifying, then progressive
- Grid positions will be displayed on the noticeboard in the secretary's office. **Do Not Remove Them**. Grid positions will also be made available on the St. George MCC Facebook page. Please ensure you read them.
- Starts will be by lights. The red lights will come on and the race starts when the red lights go out.
- No movement after the red lights are displayed otherwise a jump start may be given.
- Should the starting lights fail or not be working, races will be started by the raising of the National Flag.
- Trouble on the start line - wave your arms vigorously.
- Ensure your bike has sufficient fuel to do additional laps if needed.
- Yellow flags will be positioned along the wall on the start grid. These will be waved should there be an issue at the start, and a "Delayed Start" board will be displayed in the Starter's box. Use caution if yellow flags are waved along the wall at the start grid after the race has started.
- Starting from pit lane exit - wait at pit exit and follow the instructions of the marshal, who will release you after the race has started. Use caution when joining the race circuit as you will have a Medical/Safety Car following the field.

### Jump-starts

- Penalty of 10 seconds will be applied.

### Exiting the Circuit after the Chequered Flag of each Race

- After receiving the chequered flag in each race, you must **exit circuit at turn 4**. Do not continue to pit entry. This is the only time you are permitted to use turn 4 to exit the circuit.

- On receiving the chequered flag your race has finished regardless of the number of laps you have completed. Slow down and proceed with caution.
- A waved yellow flag will be displayed at turn 3 and a waved Red Flag will be displayed at turn 3.7.
- An electronic flashing arrow will be displayed on the right side of the circuit at turn 4.
- Exercise caution when turning in to exit the circuit.

### **Other Points**

- No wheelies or weaving
- It is the competitor's responsibility to race to the conditions and with due regard to fellow competitors.
- Race distance is 7 laps. Ensure that you have enough fuel.
- Secure your valuables there have been thefts of wallets, phones etc in the past.
- If you crash and are taken to hospital by ambulance or are recommended by the medical people to go to hospital, your competition licence will be suspended. You will need a clearance from the hospital or your GP stating that "you are fit to race a motorcycle".
- Breakdowns - help yourself if possible, by moving your bike to the concrete or tyre wall and yourself to a safe area behind the wall or to a marshal's post. Do not remove your helmet until you are in a safe position.
- This may sound strange, but always watch where you are going.
- Riders are responsible for their own behaviour and the behaviour of your crew, family, and friends.
- Transponders will be assigned to you after scrutineering. Ensure the transponder is affixed to your bike/s. Do not forget to return your transponder at the end of racing.
- Schedule - as per Programme
- On the cool down lap - wave or acknowledge volunteer marshals
- Presentation will be on Sunday after the completion of events and finalisation of results.
- All riders must sign this document in acknowledgement of having read this briefing.

Good luck and have an enjoyable meeting.

Michael Rooke  
Clerk of Course