

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the ACTC
Sunday 8th May 2011
At The Major's Retreat, Tormarton

Members and Officers Present:

Stephen Bailey	– Motorcycle Coordinator	Pete Hart	– Class 7 / Bristol MC
Simon Woodall	– Chairman	Barbara Selkirk	– Treasurer/VWOC(GB)
Richard Andrews	– R&DMSC	Brian Alexander	– Holsworthy MC
Jim Wood	– Holsworthy MC	Dave Wall	– Stroud / Dellow Register
Bill Bennett	– MGCC	Adrian Tucker-Peake	– MCC
Mark Tooth	– Bristol MC	Colin Harris	– Morgan 3 Wheeler
Tristan White	– Camel Vale MC	Steve Knight	– N Devon MC
Robin Moore	– President / L&NCCM	Chris Phillips	– Championship Sec.
Stuart Harrold	– Hon. Sec.	Neil Forrest	– R&DMSC
Jonathan Toulmin	– MAC	John Barthram	– N Devon MC
Dave Haizelden	– Champ Qual./ Torbay MC	John Blakeley	– Scrutineer
Brian Partridge	– Vice-Chairman	Pat Toulmin	– Restart Editor

25 persons present, with 14 member clubs represented.

1. Apologies for Absence

Brian Osborn	– MGCC	Tim Whellock	– Windwhistle MC
Andrew Brown	– ROW Officer	Dudley Sterry	– MCC
Alan Foster	– Vice President	Barrie Kirton	– MCC
John West	– Vice President	Vic Fancy	– Woolbridge MC
Greg Dixon-Smith	– Morgan SCC	Mark Hayward	– Dellow Register

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting on 26th September 2010.

Were accepted. Proposed, Ross, Seconded, VWOC.

3. Matters Arising – None

4. Election of President and Vice Presidents – All re-elected unanimously.

5. Election of Chairman and Other Officers – All re-elected unanimously.

6. ACTC Club Membership – No new Club applications.

7. Financial Report

7.1 The accounts for 2010 were presented by the treasurer. See **Attachment 1**.

8. MSA Trials Committee Report

8.1 Spill Kits. Simon Woodall reported that from Jan. 2012 all cars on a Classic Trial **must** carry a small Spill Kit. The sample displayed was about the size of a thick paper backed book and should cost around £6.00. The sample shown was Vehicle Oil & Fuel Spill Kit which exceeds MSA regulation J5.20.13 from The Star Motor Co. Ltd. Tel 07790 429791, www.masspillkits.co.uk

8.2 Insurance. Bill Bennett offered to take this up to establish the exact limit of the insurance under the issuance of a permit. Bill will also talk to companies such as Lockton, Richard Egger and REIS to see if they could offer a one year deal. **Action: Bill Bennett**

8.3 ACTC Rule Changes. Future rule changes will be put up on the ACTC web site and covered in either the Chairman's Chat or Secretary's Spin in 'Restart.'

8.4 Simon Woodall has received clarification from the MSA that ACTC championship trials cannot be run at Clubman's grade, they must be run at National B because ACTC is classified as a recognised group.

9. Technical Matters

9.1 Tyres. Pete Hart reported how he graded tyres. The Kingpin K4S was graded about 5 years ago and Pete states that 'he might have got it wrong' and several people had suggested that it be taken off the approved list. The Michelin taxi tyre was approved band it has a similar tread to the Kingpin. The meeting

was shown samples of The Kingpin K4S; Matador MP300 and Nexen SB302. The performance of these tyres will be monitored for one year will be and discussed again at the May 2012 meeting.

9.2 Differential Test Machine. There was a general discussion on the safety and usage of the Test Machine. The machine has to date only been used on two ACTC events. It has become clear that training on the machine operation is required and the machine should be sited on flat ground well away from cars and people. There was a discussion on what to do if we find someone with a 'dodgy diff.' It was discussed how long they should be banned for and 1 year, 3 years, life were mentioned but nothing was resolved as it was deemed more important that the performance of the machine be standardised first.

9.3 Incorporating the Differential test Machine into Regulations. Nothing decided.

9.4 Sidecars. It was decided that for ACTC trials all sidecars **must** be fitted with a nose cone and a passenger's seat. Simon Woodall and Stephen Bailey will draft a letter to all ACTC trial organisers.

Action: Simon Woodall & Stephen Bailey

9.5 Lights on Motorcycles. After a discussion it was decided that the ACTC rules will say, that for all bikes, lights are not required **unless** a Club states in their regulations that lights are required.

9.6 Points System for Class 7a. No feedback has been received. Pete Hart will write up a specification to be circulated to all delegates.

Action: Pete Hart

10. Rights of Way. Nothing to report.

11. Public Relations. Nothing to report.

12. Restart & Web Site. The Restart editor reported that some articles will be put up on the web site if there is insufficient space in 'Restart'. The web site is being upgraded.

13. Championship Schedule

13.1 No changes to the remaining 2010 schedule.

13.2 The 2012 ACTC Schedule Draft 2 is available after some changes to week numbers, see **Attachment 2**

14. Championship Reports

14.1 Car Championship. Was summarised by Chris Phillips.

14.2 Motorcycle Championship. Stephen Bailey provided an extensive report on the championship and motorcycle business in general. Please refer to **Attachment 3**

It was reported that still only seven ACTC Clubs have a link to the ACTC web site. Would all Clubs please rectify this matter.

Action: All Club Delegates

15. Championship Quality. Dave Haizelden reported that he thought the monitoring was a no longer achieving its original purpose as most events are now at an acceptable standard. Very few monitor reports returned are being despite a report form being eMailed to every entrant with their results. Generally only one or two reports were received and this after some chasing. Dave recommended that Clubs should hand out a monitor form for their own event at the end of their trial. Entrants were more inclined to fill in a form at the end of the event.

16. Competitors Behaviour. This referred to a competitor on the Kyrle Trial abusing a marshal. It was agreed that this should not be tolerated, clubs could refuse future entries or the competitor could be excluded on the spot if a named official was available.

17. Any Other Business.

17.1 A document prepared by Adrian Tucker-Peake was circulated. See **Attachment 4**. The document looks at alternatives for 'free' differentials. The company 'TranX' is building a prototype and finding people to test the prototype. By early 2012 there should be some available. MSA regulation 9.4.3 states that you cannot use a modified LSD so the TranX differential will be sold as a 'Strong Diff.'

17.2 The document by Dave Haizelden, ACTC, The Way Forward provoked a long discussion. Merit was seen by some for standardised regulations and entry forms, possible regional championship. Some wanted to keep the individuality of each trial. It was pointed out that entrants **must** read the event regulations and final instructions. Nothing was decided.

Dave wall has offered to prepare a paper for a 'Junior or Regional Championship'

Action: David Wall

18. Scrutineering Report. John Blakeley had only trials car noise to report on. The noise limit for Classic Trials taken from the MSA regulations is 100 dBa at 45 degrees and 0.5 meters from the exhaust outlet at 4500 rpm. If a car is not fitted with a rev counter then the scrutineer must assess the required engine revs. And the competitor **must** accept this.

19. Date of Next Meeting. 2:00 pm, Sunday 25th September 2011 at The Major's Retreat, Tormarton.

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If you now have E-Mail can you please let me have your E-Mail address as it reduces costs and time. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE THE CORRECT E-MAIL ADDRESS OF THE SECRETARY, SOME ARE STILL USING THE OLD ADDRESS.



Profit & Loss - Association of Classic Trials Clubs

For The 12 month Period to 31.12.10

Budget

Income - Club Subscriptions 24 clubs x £40	960.00	Engraving & replicas	370.00	300 Accuals
- Motorcycle subscriptions 9 x £15	150.00	Replica replacement	240.00	500 Accuals
		Bike Trophies	100.00	Accuals
		Championship Stickers	53.25	60
- Advertising Revenue	140.00	Championship Printing, Posting & Photocopying	105.62	
- Championship contenders	3,314.41	Championship Dinner & Dance	431.00	450
		Championship Membership Cards	5.00	
Calendars 2010	157.76			
Bank Interest	6.49	Restart, 4 issues	1,455.30	
		Restart postage, 4 issues	190.04	
		Webb site/PR	116.20	
		ACTC Promotional materials, video	0.00	
		MSA & ACU	60.00	
		Limited company annual return	15.00	
		Toner cartridge	0.00	
		Meeting Room Hire	250.00	
		General Secretary postage & photocopying	30.00	
		Quality Officer postage, paid by officer	0.00	
		Motorcycle coordinator postage & printing	0.00	
		Diff Tester - Total Cost £297.00	197.00	
		Noise Meter	76.00	
		Byways & Bridlways trust subscription	15.00	
		Scutineering costs	275.00	
		Bank Charges - last July 2008	0.00	
Total Income	4,728.66	Total expenditure	3,984.41	
Prepared by Barbara Selkirk ACMA		Profit for the year to 31.12.10.	744.25	
Audited by Mrs J Link				

Balance Sheet - ACTC Classic Trials Clubs @ 31.12.2010

RETAINED EARNINGS

Balances Brought Forward from 31.12.09.		
ACTC Accumulated Fund B/fd	5,720.76	
ACTC Reserves Fund B/fd	3,000.00	
		8,720.76
12 month Profit to 31.12.2010	744.25	
ACTC Reserves to 31.12.2010	0.00	744.25

ASSETS

Trophies - donated	1,101.00	
General Secretary PC & printer-fully depreciated	549.90	
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Bank account		
- Reserves in deposit account	3,000.00	13,571.69
- Deposit account		10,571.69
- Current accounts		10.08
Restart Postage float paid to Editor	90.00	
Postage float paid to Championship Secretary	50.00	
D & D float to Tina Allaway	150.00	
Creditors & Accruals		
- G Secretary & Ltd co	-60.00	
- Various previous years	-714.44	
- Byways	-165.00	
- Engraving Trophies 2010	-740.00	
- Replicas 2010 estimate	-240.00	
- ACTC Award dinner 2010 dep	-200.00	
- Promotional video	-500.00	
- Diff tester	0.00	
2011 Calendars costs in advance	417.13	
2011 Calendars receipts in advance	-460.45	
2011 Championship Income in Advance	-1,681.00	
MSA 2011 paid in advance	-63.00	

Total £ **9,465.01**

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ACTC 2012 Schedule

Draft 2

9th May 2011

2012 Week No	Draft 2012 Dates	Event	Organising Club	ACTC Cars Champ 2012	ACTC Invite	Car and M/C Mail List	E-Regs?	Car Class 0?	Pouncey League 2012	Red Rose 2012
52	Sun 1 Jan									
1	Fri 6 Jan	Exeter	MCC	Round 1	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 1	Round 1
	Sat 7 Jan	Exeter	MCC							
2	Sun 15 Jan									
3	Sun 22 Jan	Clee	MAC	Round 2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
4	Sun 29 Jan	Exmoor	North Devon MC	Round 3	Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 2	Round 2
5	Sun 5 Feb	Cotswold Clouds	Stroud MC	Round 4	Yes	Yes	Yes			
		North Coast	Camel Vale		No	No	N/A			
6	Sun 12 Feb	Launceston	L&NCCMC		No	No	N/A			
7	Sat 18 Feb	Northern	Fellside	Round 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Round 3	Round 3
		Exmoor Fringe Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 19 Feb									
8	Sun 26 Feb	Chairmans	Holsworthy		Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 4	Round 4
9	Sat 3 Mar	Derbyshire	VSCC							
	Sun 4 Mar	March Hare	Falcon MC		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
		Camel Heights	Camel Vale							
10	Sun 11th March	Mechanics	Stroud MC		Yes	Yes				
11	Sat 17 Mar	Herefordshire Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 18 Mar	Herefordshire Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 18 Mar									
	Sun 18 Mar	Mothing Sunday								
12	Sun 25 Mar	Torbay	Torbay MC	Round 6	Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 5	Round 5
13	Sun 1 Apr									
14	Fri 6 April	Land's End	MCC	Round 7	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 6	Round 6
	Sat 7 Apr	Land's End	MCC							
	Sat 7 Apr	Scottish Trial	VSCC							
15	Mon 9 Apr	Presidents	Camel Vale		No	No	N/A			
	Sat 14 Apr	Kimber								
	Sun 15 Apr	Kyrle	Ross & District	Round 8	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		
16	Sun 22 Apr									
17	Sun 29 April	Bovey Down	Windwhistle		Yes	Yes	Yes			
18	Sun 6 May	ACTC Council Meeting								
19	Sun 13 May	Ilkley Trial	Ilkley MC	Round 9	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Round 7	Round 7
20	Sun 20 May									
21	Sun 27 May									
22	Sun 3 Jun									
23	Sun 10 Jun									
24	Sat 16 Jun	ACTC Dinner and Dance-Cullompton								
	Sun 17 Jun									
25	Sun 24 Jun									
26	Sun 1 Jul									
27	Sun 8 Jul	Testing Trial (TBC)	MCC							
28	Sun 15 Jul									
29	Sun 22 Jul									
30	Sun 29 Jul									
31	Sun 5 Aug									
32	Sun 12 Aug									
33	Sun 19 Aug									
34	Sun 26 Aug									
35	Sun 2 Sep									
36	Sun 9 Sep	Taw & Torridge	Holsworthy	Round 10	Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 8	Round 8
37	Sat 15 Sept	Yorkshire Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 16 Sep									
38	Sun 23 Sept	ACTC AGM								
39	Sun 30 Sept									
40	Sat 6 Oct	Edinburgh	MCC	Round 11	No	No	N/A	Yes	Round 9	Round 9
	Sat 6 Oct	Ebworth	Stroud MC		Yes	Yes	Yes			
	Sat 6 Oct	Welsh Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 7 Oct									
41	Sun 14 Oct	Exmoor Clouds	Minehead	Round 12	Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 10	Round 10
42	Sun 21 Oct	Tarka	North Devon MC		Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 11	Round 11
43	Sun 28 Oct	Tamar	L&NCCMC	Round 13	Yes	Yes	Yes		Round 12	Round 12
44	Sat 3 Nov	Lakeland Trial	VSCC							
	Sun 4 Nov	Bodmin	Camel Vale		Yes	Yes	Yes			
45	Sun 11 Nov	Hardy	Woolbridge		Yes	Yes	Yes			
46	Sun 18 Nov									
47	Sun 25 Nov	Allen	BMC&LCC	Round 14	Yes	Yes	Yes			
		Neil Westcott	Exmoor MC						Round 13	Round 13
48	Sun 2 Dec	Camel Classic	Camel Vale	Round 15	Yes	Yes	Yes			
49	Sun 9 Dec									
50	Sun 16 Dec									
51	Sun 23 Dec									
52	Sun 30 Dec									

Changes from Draft 1 to Draft 2

- 1 Week numbers corrected
- 2 Tamar Trial moved to 28th October to get it into Week 43 at request of L&NCCMC
- 3 Tarka Trial moved to 21th October to accommodate note 2.

ACTC Motorcycle Report May 8th 2011

At present and including the results from the Torbay are:

Pouncy League:

Stephen Kingstone	47
David Craddock	33
Andrew Craddock	32
Julien Slade	28
Buster Griffin	22

Red Rose Bowl:

Simon Eddy	43
Geoff Westcott	33
Alexander Lidgate	27

Solos: There have been 7 that have dropped out. (3 competitors did not enter a single trial....) And three new competitors this year.

Sidecars: There have been 2 that have dropped out. And 1 new competitor this year.

All Clubs so far ran the Approved class structure.

It is also noted that quite a few clubs have split the Class B entry into B1 & B2 I am hoping that this will continue.

Still only seven of the ACTC member clubs as yet have a link into the ACTC web site. Again I am requesting that the remainder of the clubs including the MCC put this link in as without any publicity the numbers may drop again next year.

I have been in communication with four prospective new championship contenders However one is in Ireland and the other three so far have not yet shown an interest in joining.

I will be promoting the ACTC at Popham Mega-meet in August.

As the ACTC was set up to promote Trials.....

What are the plans for promoting the ACTC Championships for this year?

This year the championships have changed slightly adding a point for entering a trial and a point for finishing.

Also the Motorcycle solos Class B, will be split into B1 and B2. Which it is hoped will make a more closely run championship.

I would still like to see the Regulations go out a bit earlier with a longer entry time and also the route posted out and e-mailed out at least 10 days before hand to give competitors time to sort things out.

Stephen Bailey. 8th May 2011.

Strong TranX Type Free Differentials Development

Gentlemen,

Amongst matters discussed and proposed at the last ACTC meeting (September 2010) there was the contentious issue of finding a solution for the diff failure problem that can beset some competitors in Class 1.

The problem arises both on powerful FWD cars, but also some more standard models as might be used by new entrants and in the case of a FWD car the ensuing damage from a diff component breakage can wipe out an entire transmission housing...not a weakness that many want to see repeated!

There are some low key almost 'one-off' routes to a solution, but these are fraught with low priority timescales and not attractive to many competitors...even Julian Fack can only offer occasional batch offerings to his RWD customers.

Dave Haizelden has of course suggested a solution via the off the shelf purchase of the Quaife ATB, which is available for a good range of models. However, this proposal was rejected by the Council since it would take our sport down the road of permitting, or even encouraging, forms of traction control devices.

I have endeavoured to explore another option by discussing possible interest in a trials-focussed business case with a couple of motorsport transmission manufacturers at the Autosports Engineering show...Tran-X of Coventry have been particularly helpful and have worked up a preliminary design, based on a B series axle, for which prototypes will be tested through the summer. I attach an illustration which they've just supplied yesterday!

The company make a range of LSDs for FWD and RWD cars, which could be made as an Open configuration, and the price would be around £450.

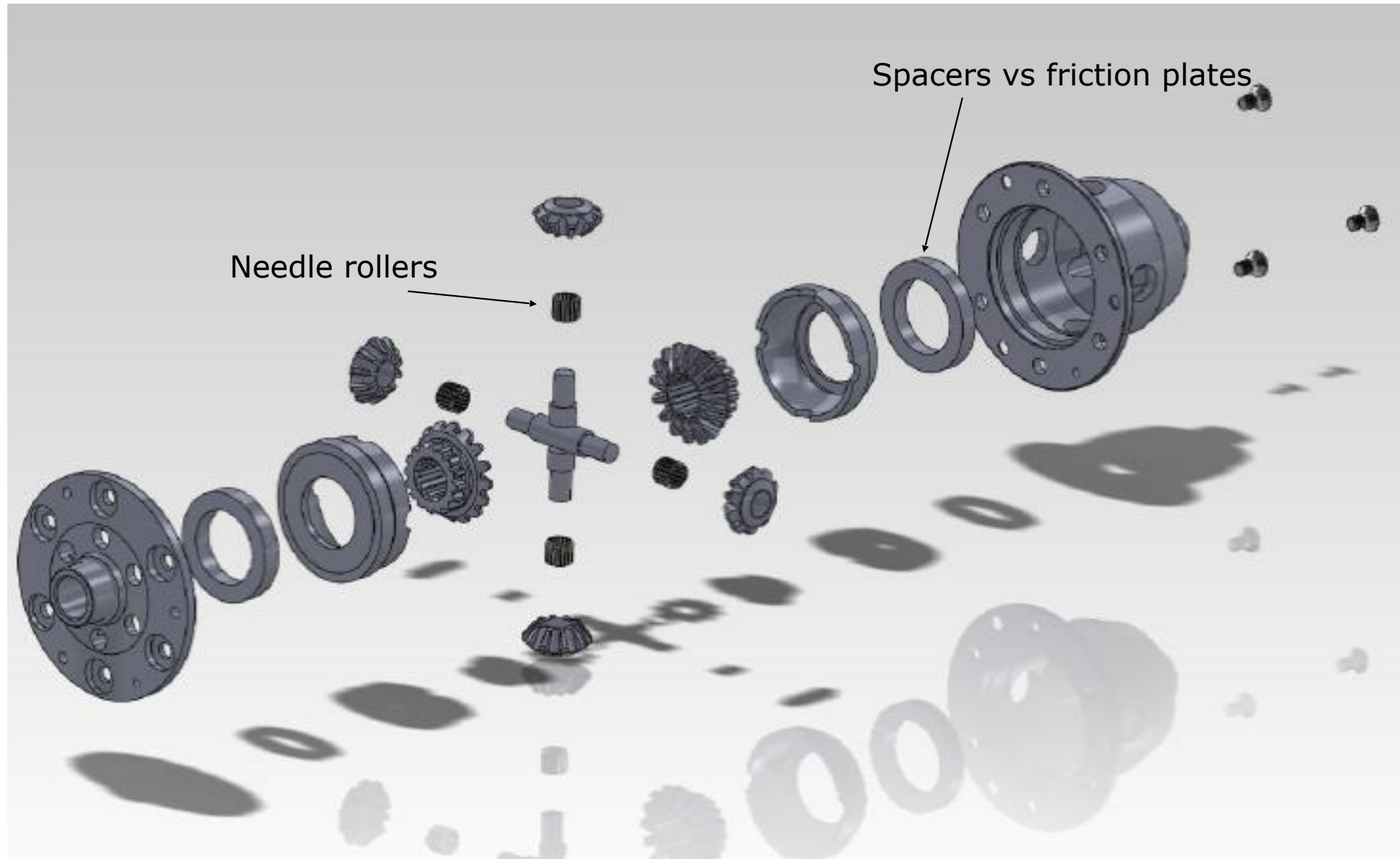
I hope that you would agree that this might open up a longer term and robust solution, so I'd like a brief opportunity please tomorrow to introduce the idea to Council.

I've noted that somewhere there exists a regulation stating that adaptation of an LSD in order to achieve an Open diff was verboten, probably because the 'open-ness' could not be proven. However, with the advent of the super-tester, this concern may no longer apply.

Adrian Tucker-Peake, May 2011

SUGGESTED SOLUTION FOR CLASS 1 DIFF DILEMMA

- offer robust, certifiable and diverse product from pro-active motorsport transmission manufacturer
- avoid need for consideration of LSDs or reliance upon one-offs – attractive to newcomers
- requires permission to adapt from an LSD basis



TRAN-X 'Trials Differential'