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COURT OF ENQUIRY 1242 HEARING HELD IN THE ATS BOARDROOM, 30 SCHOONGEZICHT STREET, BERGBRON ON 04TH NOVEMBER 2020 AT 17H30

Present:	Tony Taylor	-	Court President
	ADV Nomkhosi Nharmuravate	-	Court Member
	Richard Leeke	-	Court Member
	Savannah Woodward	-	Defendant
	Alicia Knoetze	-	Defendant
	Vic Rich	-	Defendant (Father of competitor Knoetze)
	Connagh Jansen van Rensburg	-	Witness
	Mark Van Rensburg	-	Witness
	Johan Fourie	-	Clerk of the Course
	Andrew Shillinglaw	-	MSA Steward
	Eleaze Woodward	-	Mother of competitor Savannah Woodward
	Paul Woodward	-	Father of competitor Savannah Woodward
	Dick Shuttle	-	Observer
Apologies:	Michaela Vorster	-	MSA Event Secretary
In Attendance:	Allison Vogelsang	-	MSA Scribe
	Vic Maharaj	-	MSA Sporting Services Manager

Introduction

The court members and attendees were introduced and no objections were raised against the composition of the court.

Although highly unusual, the court acceded to Mr Vic Rich's request that, as the matter under investigation was highly emotional, it was in all parties' best interests that the opposing arguments be heard separately. The court informed all parties present that it reserved the right to, if necessary, reconvene the court at a later date if it felt that the parties should be heard simultaneously.

The Hearing

The hearing was convened to investigate an alleged altercation between competitors Savannah Woodward and Alicia Knoetze as well as persons associated with them at a Short Circuit Motorcycle event held at the Vereeniging Kart Track on 18th September 2020.

The Court first heard submissions from Savannah Woodward, Connagh van Rensburg and Mark van Rensburg and the Clerk of the Course, Johan Fourie, as well as the MSA Steward.

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The court then heard separately from Vic Rich, Alicia Knoetze and, once again, the Clerk of the Course and the MSA Steward.

Finding

This court, having been informed that there were a number of civil and criminal cases pending between the various parties, felt that it was not advisable to render a finding at this time as it may influence the outcome of the pending civil and criminal cases.

Therefore:

The court defers its findings in the matter under consideration but, in the interests of motorsport, the parties to this matter are all placed under observation until such time as the pending matters are finalised.

To clarify, the following persons are placed under observation:

- Savannah Woodward
- Mark van Rensburg
- Connagh van Rensburg
- Alicia Knoetze
- Vic Rich

Promoters, organisers and officials of Short Circuit Motorcycle events are to be informed that the persons named above are under observation and requested to:

- (a) Ensure that they are observed;
- (b) That, wherever possible, they are to be pitted as far as possible apart from one another as is practical;
- (c) Any interaction between the parties that could result in a charge of contravention of GCR 172 (iv) and/or GCR 172 (vi) is to be reported to the Stewards who should not hesitate to have the parties removed from the event and a further CoE implemented.

This court instructs MSA to reconvene a further hearing regarding this matter once the pending civil and criminal cases referred to have been finalised.

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

These findings are distributed via email on 18 November 2020 at 14h00

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