



Motorcycling South Australia Inc

Board Meeting – Monday 12 May 2014

AGENDA

Meeting Opened At: 6.40pm

Present: Brenton Matters, Mick Potter, Kerry Marsh, Chris McArdle

Apologies: Dan Marsh, Phil Turnbull

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Board – Monday 17 March 2014 confirmed.

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Next Board Meeting to be held on Monday 16 June commencing at 6:30pm



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Business Arising From Minutes:

MX Minutes – Kerry Marsh – advised that the National Sidecar MX Champion will be issued the Duke of Edinburgh Trophy.

Reliability Trials – Kerry Marsh - Discussion on Reliability Trials and clarification on its position as a bone-fide discipline within MSA/MA, and the availability of the Supplementary Rule Book. Question raised due to enquiry from a member who could not find link through MA.

Building Façade – no action as yet. Discussion on approach by Motorcycling Queensland, and Motorcycling New South Wales. Reaffirmation that MSA is primarily a club resource, albeit that it has direct interaction with riders and the public through the licencing process. Discussion on image to public and clubs.

ACUSA Park – Kerry Marsh – Atujara hosted its first ride day. Discussion to continue with the Committee on continued development of the facility. 20Kva Gen set on site – on loan from Brenton Matters. Equipment from Tailem Bend proving beneficial. Question on donation of material. Delays to ensure redevelopment of dirt track is achieved as a priority, prior to material being used for MX tracks. Plans developing with Bill Mitchell and others on the design, including scope for speedway style training track.

BOARD MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORTS

EX14.05.12.1. *Portfolio Reports*

President reminded all that Directors that they need to actively engage in the portfolio areas.

Kerry Marsh

Australian WMX Championships - Discussion by Board on 2015 WMX Championship at Gillman – sponsor in final stages of being signed, and work well underway to make the event a very successful event.

MSA to advocate for MRA in maintaining the allocation, and encourage all alternative debates to be strongly defended. Discussion on forum discussions (Facebook) that appear to inflame discussion.

Action: GM to send letter in support of MRA, and confirm the allocation of the 2015 event.

CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

EX14.05.12.2. *MA*

- Special Council Meeting outcome – Motorcycling Victoria
 - Letter from Motorcycling Victoria and Council Response – distributed to Board
 - Council strong on requirement for all or nothing
 - Awaiting

- MA Board Election – discussion of nominations
 - Significant discussion on nominees for positions of President and Director
 - President provided overview of due diligence of each nominee, either through direct conversation or discussion with others.
 - Merits of all discussed
 - President
 - Many significant matters to be addressed, and with new CEO, stability is important
 - Voluntary position – discussion on time commitment
 - Candidates:
 - Michael Burns
 - Stephen Foody
 - Braxton Laine
- **Decision:** **Instruction provided to President on whom MSA to vote for**
- Director
 - Michael Burns
 - Lynn Long
 - Paul Casslick
 - Discussion on Financial skill and other key skill sets requirement for the board.
- **Decision:** **Instruction provided to President on whom MSA to vote for**
- ASC Governance Principles
 - Discussion on Principles
 - General support for many principles, certainly for National Body.
 - Application within MSA will require further consideration.
 - Discussion on board appointed President

EX14.05.12.3. Board Confidentiality

- Discussion on the apparent ongoing breaches of confidentiality.
 - Has the potential to undermine Directors ability to contribute, and it further may impact on Directors standing with external parties and/or individuals if views are disclosed that should be maintained as confidential.
- To be raised again when all Directors present
- All matters discussed within the Board structure must be kept confidential
- President to provide final warning to Board member suspected of breach. All agreed it is unacceptable for any breach of confidentiality.

GENERAL MANAGERS ITEMS

EX14.05.12.4. Report

- Licence Numbers – slightly increased
- Development Officer’s report tabled.
- GM outlined great work by office staff, particularly Naomi in keeping licence processing under control whilst Claire was away.
- Kate and Steven have been very active of late, with come n try day at ACUSA and other events.
- All staff (aside from Claire) attended the first round of the SA MX Championship, with it proving a great event, well prepared by the club, in difficult conditions, well managed by our officials and great racing by all the riders. Good crowd and approx. 360 riders.
- Elite Rider support continuing through Kate attending events with the Elite Riders, with it planned for next events to be Moto Trials Women’s Cup, and AORC.

- Additionally Kate will be escorting the Elite Riders (aside from Sophie who has an event in Mungaree, and Hudson who competing at Mallala) to the MX Nationals to meet with team principles and riders.
- Potential Event
 - Update provided.
- ACUSA Park
 - Overview of improvements to Dirt Track
 - MX Series Video - Board thought was really good.
- Events/Participation
 - State Title event entries are up SA MX and SAORC had great numbers
 - SART down a bit. Scheduling may be a factor as SART day before MX

EX14.05.12.5. FINANCIAL REPORT

- Noted
- End of year adjustments have not yet been received from the Auditor

CORRESPONDENCE

Sport Management

- **Speedway**
- **Reliability Trials**
- **Road Racing**
- **MX**

GENERAL BUSINESS

EX14.05.12.6. Confidential - Incident at Event

Report from Operations Officer into the incident tabled.

Discussion on many failings in the situation.

Discussion on what action to take, with dilemma on proceeding to prosecute, given greyness of many aspects, and likely inability to successfully achieve guilty finding, and impose a penalty.

Decision:

- No formal charges to be laid
- Letters to be sent to all involved with the incident
- Training to be developed to address issues

EX14.05.12.7. MX Sports Management

Shannon has advised that she will be standing down from the end of the 2014 State Title Season (September)

Discussion is needed on how we can structure MX to ensure a spread of load for anyone taking on the Sports Manager Role.

Concept could be Board appoint an Executive Group.

Key Responsibilities are:

- State Title Series – coordination including sponsorship etc
- Grading
- Rider Numbers
- Development/Growth of the Sport
- Rider Liaison

GM to have further discussion with potential persons, and consider structure to ensure achieve best result.

Action: **Noted**

EX14.05.12.8. *Meningie MX*

MSA has been contacted with regard to the plight of Meningie MCC, with a lack of members and an inability to form a committee.

It has advised that it will likely go into recess, hoping that at some stage in the future locals will be in a position to re-activate the club.

It currently leases its track from Coorong Council

<https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-35.6958166,139.347449,223m/data=!3m1!1e3?hl=en>

Meningie MCC has requested that MSA consider whether it would take on the lease for the site. Annual Lease fee is understood to be \$250 pa.

In 2013 the track was used by both Quad clubs for enduro MX format meetings.

Should it not be required or no new affiliated tenant found it is possible that Council could demolish the track and use the land for other purposes.

Decision: **GM to pursue potential protection of the Meningie MX Track, through lease control, to ensure multi club use, and protect right of return for Meningie MCC.**

EX14.05.12.9. *Request for Donation of Rider Levies*

Keyneton MCC is running its Reliability Trial as a fund raiser for bushfire affected properties in the region.

Letter attached.

Keyneton has requested that rider levies be donated to the cause.

Keyneton has advised that its Executive Committee will be responsible for the disbursement of all monies from the Fund, with Ben Zander appointed as property owner liaison.

Decision: **MSA Board Approves the donation of rider levies to the Fire Recovery Fund managed by Keyneton. Any donation to be recognised as from MSA.**

OTHER BUSINESS

EX14.05.12.10. *Exclusion zones around events*

In 2014, based on feedback from MX clubs, the office imposed some protection zones around State Title events and 'Blue Ribbon'. The priority is to avoid conflict with competition events, with the following applied:

- No competition event to be permitted in competition with the same discipline State Title
- No Competition Event to be run in conflict with club Blue Ribbon event.

Issue: Can clubs run non-competition days against state title events?

Discussion: Due to significant number of recreational riders participating in ride days, it is considered more important to facilitate opportunities for people to ride. If a club decides that it has the resources to run an event, and riders want to ride, then it should be allowed.

It is suggested that clubs within 100km of a State Title Event or Blue Ribbon Event be made aware of the adjacent event, and encouraged not to run against the event, however they will not be prevented from running if they decide to. In essence it will be reliant upon club discretion as to what they will do.

Decision: **No permitted competition event will be allowed in SA if the same discipline National Event is being held.**
 No permitted competition event will be allowed in SA if the same discipline State Title Event is being held.
 Clubs have the opportunity to run non-competition activities at any time, subject to approval by MSA, with encouragement to consider any events being held within close proximity.

EX14.05.12.11. *Photographer Policy*

Proposed policy and guidelines provided for consideration.

Aim is to provide guidance and establish some controls around on track photographers.

Decision: ***Approved***

Meeting closed: **10.54pm**