



Motorcycling South Australia Inc

Board Meeting – Monday 10 October 2014

AGENDA

Meeting Opened At: 6.30pm

Present: Brenton Matters (President), Phil Turnbull, Roger Kessner, Matt Rosenzweig (Club Rep), Chris McArdle (General Manager).

Apologies: Mick Potter, Dan Marsh

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Board – Monday 10 September 2014 to be confirmed – no attending members present.

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Next Board Meeting to be held on Monday 10 November commencing at 6.30pm



Business Arising From Minutes:

Review of Action Items

Ride Parks – permitting and licencing requirements in SA are not conducive for those style of venues. Ends up being cost prohibitive, including for ACUSA Park. Ongoing. Planning approval for venues is also an issue.

Discussion on Keyneton recreational ride days – numbers and format of the day.

Loan to SRA Agreement finalised and funds transferred.

BOARD MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORTS

EX14.10.13.1. Portfolio Reports

Deferred.

CHAIRMANS ITEMS

Welcome to Roger Kessner as new Board appointed Director. Important appointment so that Motorcycling SA can better engage with industry. Also welcome to Matt Rosenzweig who representing Keyneton is the first of the Club Representative Observers at Board meetings.

EX14.10.13.2. MA

Whole of Sport Review

- Brenton is the President rep
- Work occurring on appointing Chair of review
- Discussion – further information to be released by MA in due course

Strategic Forum

- Discussion on need for November meeting

EX14.10.13.3. Board Director Portfolios

Discussion on purpose of portfolios.

Enables broader engagement

- Awareness of trends and issues in portfolio area
 - Not the operational details per se

Not a representative role – rather information gathering.

To be reviewed at next meeting.

EX14.10.13.4. MSA Strategic Plan

Review of strategic plan – need monitoring/measurement/adjustment on an ongoing basis.
Board has not delivered significant direction on plan – predominantly operation
Proposed quarterly review
Proposed a separate meeting on strategy.

Action: Brenton to send e-mail on separate meeting for strategy focus.
2 hour meeting – Chris to run

Important for Board to be critically involved in direction setting of the organisation

EX14.10.13.5. Potential Future Event -- confidential

Update
Awaiting regulatory approvals

GENERAL MANAGERS ITEMS

EX14.10.13.6. Report

- SCB Managers Meeting
 - Minutes and action items provided to Board for information
- Business System - Database
 - Workshop with Sports Marketing Australia and Database programmer.
 - Motorcycling NSW is utilising it as their database within the office, with it expected to go live to its riders/clubs in next week or so, subject to no errors.
 - Consolidation to achieve national consistency is a priority, with many aspects likely to require MA Board amendment on rules to achieve efficiencies
 - Planning for national rollout currently being finalised
 - Discussion on how to engage with clubs to ensure training
 - Propose a combination of group training and club visits
 - Mount Gambier
 - Mid North
 - EP
 - Local Metro
 - Help Desk
 - Technical help desk
 - Operational approach
 - Adjusted staff hours to enable after hours likely ie 5-8pm for a week at launch and prior to busy period
 - Discussion on benefits
- Sport SA – Australian Sports Foundation
 - Attended a workshop on philanthropy in sport, and the use of tax incentives in fund raising.
 - Opportunities for a range of projects, Facilities, Elite Development, Team support.
 - Discussion on opportunities and examples cited from workshop
 - Discussion on sponsorship

EX14.10.13.7. FINANCIAL REPORT

Noted.

- Tracking ahead of the curve, however as expected with lower income period, we are coming back to anticipated results.
- Discussion on monies owed by clubs, and relative health, financially.

- Pocket Bike has not renewed its affiliation.
- Discussion on sponsor non payment

GENERAL BUSINESS

EX14.10.13.8. Office of Rec and Sport – Industry Liaison visit

Tom Hunter

Introduction and brief discussion on ORS and his role

Provided an overview of role, and the obligations on sporting organisations to maintain funding support from Rec and Sport.

Handed over a cheque for Annual support funding (sustainability funding) + Club Conference Grant.

Discussed obligations and various initiatives such as MyRecSport, and StarClub.

Questions on whether ORS deal with state associations only, or whether they deal with clubs directly. Starclub and Grants provide direct interaction, however as a rule they will engage with State/Peak Bodies.

EX14.10.13.9. Discipline Focus

MX

Change of Sports Manager – ongoing discussion on management structure for 2015/16

Shannon Reimann continuing to assist until fully resolved

Priority on setting dates and sponsorship for 2015

Alex Larwood achieved a 3rd and a 4th Nationally in his classes at the Junior MX Nationals. Great achievement.

2014 Wind up on 22 November.

Enduro

2014 series just completed.

Planning underway for 2015 with invitations to clubs on desire to host.

Potential re-establishment of the Green Triangle Club (currently affiliated in Vic) to be transferred to SA. Would be a great thing to have a presence in the South East.

2015 AORC SA Rounds to be held by Ariel – near Karoonda on 23/24 May

2014 Wind up on 8 November.

Women's Class – minimum numbers for Championship Class – to be discussed.

Decision: Class requirements to be maintained as per Supp Regs, with defined minimum rider numbers.

Comment that most enduro's appear to have been well run by the host clubs.

Discussion on Mount Crawford Enduro and actions of Clerk of Course. Situation has been reported through event reports, will be referred to ORP.

Speedway

Show Demonstration went well. Many thanks to officials and riders that made it a success.

2014/15 season set to be another great one, with both Sidewinders and Gillman Speedway having good programs.

Sidewinders recently received a grant for upgrade of lighting and other improvements (\$20,000) from ORS.

Planning for Play by the Rules session at Sidewinders still in progress.

Dirt Track

SA Titles scheduled for 2 November at Mud N Tars in Victor Harbor

Gillman Speedway has through its Winter Series run a couple of flat track AMA style events, with great response. It plans to run a specific Flat Track event in March 2015, which should be quite good. In parallel with this, it has arranged a coaching school with Paul Caslick.

ACUSA Park Dirt Track redevelopment is critical for development of Dirt Track.

Moto Trials

National Championships held recently in Tasmania.

Andrew Tarrant became National Champion in a veterans class, with a number of 3rd placings by other riders.

2014 Wind up on 1 November.

Road Race

State Championships held as a single event at Mac Park recently.

GM has not had a chance to engage with clubs on break even numbers for events.

Reliability Trials

Series completed

2014 Wind up on 11 October.

Discussion on desire to interact better with Committee's, with interest in quarterly update from disciplines as to what is happening and or what issues should be addressed strategically by the Board.

Discussion on State Series and difficulties for Sports Managers in being responsible for the overall delivery of the series, to achieve sponsor returns, consistency etc, whilst not having a formal official position at the event. There is a need to achieve these outcomes and we need to ensure balance between club responsibility and series coordination.

Need to constantly review structure of committees to ensure servicing needs of board to assist in management of the discipline and provide advice on technical matters.

How can the Board ensure Sports Managers and the disciplines are managing things well?

- Committee outputs

EX14.10.13.10. Club issue- Confidential

Discussion on current issues within Club, including formal complaint from President against members.

Complaint to be referred to mediation between Club and person's allegation against.

Discussion on proposed expulsion of members etc. GM offer of assistance to be an observer at Executive Meeting if required.

EX14.10.13.11. Permit Fee Review

Provided for initial discussion.

A constant complaint of Motorcycling SA is that our permit fee structure is not suitable for many clubs. This is particularly true for those clubs running small participant number events.

Indeed recent examples highlight that for events with say 30-40 riders, the cost per rider for a club/interclub rider, payable to MSA can be up to \$27. For low cost club events this leaves very little for the club maintenance of the track or other costs (hire of land etc).

Little historical information on how our permit structure was established, however as it stands we have:

Club/Interclub Competition	\$280 + Rider Levies
Open Comp	\$350 + Rider Levies
State Title Comp	\$500 + Rider Levies

One can only assume that this sliding scale is based on the level of risk of the event, not so much in terms of riders, but the level and number of officials and volunteers. In reality these fees form our revenue base, and are a means of recovering the insurance premium for events.

As part of budgeting considerations, the GM is investigating an option to reduce the permit fees, and achieve a more direct user pays model.

Initial proposal is for all permits that permit fees would be:

- \$100
- Rider levies would increase from \$13 to \$16 for all competitive permits.

Initial indications are that this approach will have a net negative impact of approximately \$8,000 ytd (August) in 2014, but would have broken even for full year 2013.

Proposal: That the Board approves in principal the above permit structure, in developing the 2015 budget.

Decision: Board supports concept, seeks further details on cost implications of decision.

OTHER BUSINESS

EX14.10.13.12. Affiliation of the SA Flag Marshals Association

The SAFMA has been a long time participant in our sport, primarily through provision of services at Mallala, and for some members at Phillip Island.

It has been in discussion with Office of Rec and Sport with regard to a grant, however as they are not affiliated with any recognised organisation it is get due consideration.

Discussion on options available.

Decision: SAFMA be invited to apply

EX14.10.13.13. Sports Chaplaincy Australia

Bing Goonan of Murray Bridge has services this role previously for major incidents.

GM has engaged with SCA to build a relationship with our sport. Speedway Riders Association, through Ivan Golding, have engaged SCA as Chaplain for Gillman.

Trevor Nowak to be the Motorcycling SA contact. Trevor is a rider, with the Christian Motorcycle Association.

Service to be available for clubs for at risk individuals, circumstances or major incidents.

EX14.10.13.14. Motorcycling SA invitation to Moto GP

Question asked if invitation received to attend Moto GP.

GM advised that MA CEO offered a chance for GM's to attend, however with personal circumstances was not able to take up. Only MV were able to up the offer.

Discussion on potential for learning from attending such events.

EX14.10.13.15. Junior Development Facility – Wingfield

Question raised on progress of lease from Council

GM advised that still awaiting confirmation from Council as to approval from SA Government.

Overview of concept provided for new members.

Minikhana explained.

EX14.10.13.16. Declaration Fee

Phil Turnbull sought context on proposed MA increase of fee for Licence Declaration from recommendation at National Manager's meeting.

Subject to approval by MA – proposal is to make declaration the same fee as a one event competition licence – to avoid the potential for a false declaration (based on cost)

EX14.10.13.17. 250cc Speedway Track length

Phil Turnbull sought confirmation on context of discussion at National Manager's meeting.

Discussion on it not being necessary as part of the rules.

EX14.10.13.18. Issues for Keyneton MCC– access to properties

GM outlined that club seat as a Board observer should not be used to bring operational matters to the Board, in lieu of raising them with the Office.

Discussion on potential risk to use of private property due to determination by Barossa Council that such use may require a change of land use.

Motorcycling SA Office to follow up with Council.

EX14.10.13.19. Keyneton – Donation - Fire Recovery

Club thanked the Board for support to Donate rider levies from its Reliability Trial to the cause. Response has been very positive from recipients.
GM congratulated club on initiative and the sensitive way it handled that. Club donated approximately \$20,000 to local property owners.

EX14.10.13.20. Charity

Discussion on whether clubs have charities they support.
GM advised many do support local charities.

GM flagged proposal to consolidate that for Motorcycling SA, with a preference for Beyond Blue for 2015, given high risk nature of our membership base, and the loss of people to suicide.

Roger Kessner highlighted TTGMX donation to Modbury Special School in the past and the great community response those sort of things elicit.

CORRESPONDENCE