



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 9 PARKES STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 19th June 2013.**

PRESENT Christine TICKNER Chairperson
Ronald KIVOVITCH
Dave MORGAN
Mark FITZSIMONS
Leon SAYERS

IN ATTENDANCE Daniel GATT General Manager

APOLOGIES Nil

MEETING OPENED 6.20pm

The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting. She took the opportunity to welcome new Directors Ronald Kivovitch and Mark Fitzsimons to the Board and welcomed their input and involvement; she also congratulated Director Leon Sayers for his re-election.

B6.1- Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 9th May 2013

MOTION #1 that the minutes of the Directors meeting held on the 9th May 2013 are received.

Carried

There were no corrections noted

MOTION #2 that the minutes of the Directors meeting held on the 9th May 2013 are confirmed.

Carried

a. Business Arising

Director Dave Morgan asked about the noise metres the company purchased. The GM advised that a small shipment had arrived which were forwarded to other SCBs to rationalise freight costs. The remainder of the order, including Motorcycling NSW stock, will arrive late June.

B6.2- Financial Reports

MOTION #3 that the MNSW Limited financial report for May 2013 be received.

Carried

There were no questions regarding this report

MOTION #4 that the MNSW Limited financial report for May 2013 be approved.

Carried

B6.2.1 - Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson inspected the Cheque Register for May 2013 and advised the report was satisfactory in her opinion.

MOTION #5 that the Cheque Register for May of \$338,153.38 be approved.

Carried

B6.3 General Business

B6.3.1 – NSW Motorcycle Alliance Report – The NSW Motorcycle Alliance report was read by the Directors and discussed at length. Director Ronald Kivovitch asked if there was a business plan for the Division which the GM confirmed was in construction by the new manager. There was an existing plan developed by the previous manager, however the GM and the new Alliance Manager both deemed it unattainable. The GM advised at the following meeting, the report will be finalised and presented to the Directors and sought approval to invite the manager to the meeting to answer any questions. The Directors approved the invitation.

B6.3.2 – Bond policy – The GM asked for clarification from the Directors regarding the company's policy regarding the taking of a bond payment for clubs and promoters who offer prize money at events. He continued by explaining that in his time with the organisation it has always been in place but never formalised which was unfair on clubs and promoters. The Directors discussed the matter at length and it was decided that the GM should draft a policy document that requires any affiliated private promoter to supply a bond to Motorcycling NSW equal to 100% of the prize money offered for any event or series and should prizes other than money be offered then a bond must be paid to motorcycling NSW equal to the value of the prizes if that value exceeds \$5000.00 (RRP).

If a club promotes a club or interclub meeting where prize money exceeds \$2000.00 in total, then a bond that covers 100% of the value of the prize money must be lodged with MNSW prior to the permit being issued. For any club promoting an open meeting where prize money exceeds \$2000.00, then a bond of 50% of the bond must be lodged with Motorcycling NSW prior to a permit being issued.

The GM will prepare a draft for the next Board meeting.

B6.3.3 – Moto Trials rule clarification – The Directors were provided a press release from Motorcycling Australia outlining clarification on the 125cc that was meant to be introduced in 2013 but has now been rescheduled for 2014. Director Dave Morgan sought clarification that this was only for modern Trials. The GM noted that it was not specified in the press release but he would contact MA and clarify the situation.

B6.3.4 – Calendar issues – Correspondence was received outlining more issues with clubs clashing dates for meetings that have been moved owing to weather or inclement conditions. The Directors acknowledge that this is a problem but are unsure how to resolve it considering the clubs should be working in harmony to achieve a satisfactory result. The GM suggested that possibly the calendar meetings should be reintroduced as a means of developing co-operation. The Directors agreed and instructed the GM to reintroduce the meetings and advise the relevant clubs when a call for 2014 calendar dates is distributed.

B6.3.5 - Committee / Election issue – The GM brought to light an issue with the recent elections and the resulting makeup of the Dirt Track committee. It has been discovered that all the members of the Dirt Track Committee renominated themselves for a position, even those that had another year to run on their term. It was deemed that those members had in effect resigned their position leaving the entire committee vacant. As a result the four highest vote receivers were awarded two year terms whilst the fifth nominee (who was originally unsuccessful) has been awarded a single year term. The Directors agreed this was the correct process; however instructed the GM to ensure this was monitored for future elections.

Director Ronald Kivovitch noted his concern with the wording in the governance policy he was required to sign as a condition of his nomination. It was discussed at length and it was agreed by all Directors that the constitution, governance policy and the election bylaws all need to be reviewed to see if they are still applicable to the current sporting environment.

B6.3.6 – Permitting Motorcycling Australia meetings – The GM discussed with the Directors the directive from Sport and Recreation that only Motorcycling NSW will be allowed to permit motorcycling events in NSW on behalf of the organisation and that MA would no longer be allowed, including Australian Championships. This directive was a result of several issues emanating from Australian Championship events held in NSW under MA permits. The Directors discussed the correspondence as well as the correspondence sent from the GM to the MA CEO. It was resolved that MNSW would invoice MA \$300.00 per permit for any Australian Championship permit issued in NSW which would be in the name of Motorcycling Australia. It was also agreed that MA would be required to provide all relevant paperwork conditional to all promoters and clubs to MNSW for every event.

MOTION #6 that MNSW will issue permits for all Motorcycling Australia meetings held in NSW including Australian Championship meetings for the sum of \$300.00 per permit. Motorcycling Australia is required to make application and provide all after meeting records to Motorcycling NSW as per the requirement of all promoters and clubs in this state under a MNSW Permit.

Carried

B6.3.7 – Rule 3.8.0.5 accredited coaching – Director Dave Morgan at previous meetings instructed the GM to gain clarification on the term accredited Motorcycle coach as outlined in rule 3.8.0.5. The GM did so by contacting Motorcycling Australia who confirmed that the term referred to a Level 1 or Level 2 coach. A club coach is not permitted to conduct competency assessment.

B6.3.8 – Nowra Motoplex – With the proposed rebranding of the off road riding facility in Yerrilyong, the GM sought approval for the draft design and proposed name to be the Nowra Motoplex. The Directors agreed with the proposals however requested that the logo colours be changed to reflect the corporate blue colours of the organisation.

B6.3.9 – Hunter Anderson – A request for funding assistance has been received by the GM from the parents of Hunter Anderson who is competing overseas. The request was considered and although not usual policy, the Directors agreed to assist the rider owing to his outstanding talent, maturity, riding potential, focus and attitude. Further it was decided to assist the rider as he was not representing Australia in a team's event which should be selected and funded by Motorcycling Australia.

MOTION #7 that rider Hunter Anderson is granted \$1000.00 toward his endeavours competing overseas. In return, Hunter is required to predominately display the Motorcycling NSW logo upon his bike and riding equipment.

Carried

B6.3.10 – 250cc /350cc Speedway Championships – The GM sought clarification from the Directors whether a 250cc Championship and a separate 350cc speedway State Championship will be held in 2013/2014. This was discussed as a result of the decision to not allow 350cc machines to compete for a National Championship.

MOTION #8 that the 250cc State Championship will be open only to 250cc machines, however a 350cc State Championship will be offered conditional on 8 nominations or more for the class. If less than 8 nominations are received, the class will not hold State Championship status and may only run as a support class at the discretion of the host.

Carried

B6.3.11 – Motorcycling Australia Coaching Committee – The GM has been invited by Motorcycling Australia to join a committee to discuss the Junior Coaching Program. The GM noted to the Directors that he would prefer not to join the committee as he did not feel he had the time to dedicate to it. The Directors discussed the invitation and preferred that the GM did attend the committee on behalf of Motorcycling NSW.

B6.3.12 – Funding for A4DE teams and equipment – The Enduro committee sought funding for the containers and uniforms required for the NSW and ACT teams for the A4DE. The Directors approved the request. The committee also submitted the teams to the Directors for confirmation and approval.

MOTION #9 that Motorcycling NSW will fund to a maximum of \$1500.00 for containers for the A4DE Enduro teams from NSW and ACT and \$1000.00 for uniforms for the same teams.

Carried

B6.3.13 – Inspection results – The Directors were presented a copy of the findings of an inspection conducted by an MNSW investigator. The Directors noted the findings.

B6.3.14 – Gosford Speedway Club – An application was received from Gosford Speedway Club to affiliate with Motorcycling NSW. The Directors considered the application and agreed to recommend to the delegates that the applicant be approved for affiliation conditional that all fees be paid prior to each event as the company has previously had long outstanding invoices from some members who are taking an active role in the new club.

MOTION #10 that the Gosford Speedway Club be recommended to the delegates for affiliation subject to all fees and any applicable bonds being paid prior to any permits being issued.

Carried

B6.3.15 – Sport and Recreation funding – The GM informed the Directors that the annual application for SDP funding has been approved and paid by the Office of Communities.

B6.3.16 – Indoor MX – The Directors were shown a submission to a local council for the development of an indoor MX facility. The Directors discussed the proposal and requested the GM to offer any assistance required by the proponents.

B6.3.17 – Shoalhaven Motorsport Complex Media – The GM provided copies of the recent media clippings relating to the Shoalhaven Motorsport Complex.

B6.3.18 – Press release - 50cc and 65cc classes, Round 2 NSW Motocross Championships – The GM distributed the press release issued regarding the cancellation of the 50cc and 65cc classes at the second round of the 2013 NSW MX Championships. The Directors were informed of the decision and agreed with the position of the organising committee to discount a portion of the riders round three entries. Although unfortunate, it was agreed that the officials made the correct decision on the day to cancel the two classes.

B6.3.19 – NSW Speedway committee funding of riding vests – The NSW Speedway Sports committee has requested funding to purchase NSW State Title riding vests. The Directors approved the purchase subject to the design being approved by the office and that the vests will be kept in the office and supplied to the event at the time of permit.

MOTION #11 that Motorcycling NSW will fund speedway riding vests for NSW State Championship meetings to the value of \$2000.00, subject to design approval and that they always remain at the Motorcycling NSW office.

Carried

B6.3.21 – Outstanding Loan – The GM provided confirmation that the outstanding loan payable to the company has been refinanced by the proponent and that the loan should be finalised within the following week. The Directors were pleased with this development.

From the Board

B6.4.1 – NDMCC Constitution – The GM presented the first draft of a proposed constitution of NDMCC to reflect the current position of Motorcycling NSW as the operator of the club and facility. Director Dave Morgan noted his disappointment in the document; however the GM informed the Directors that the solicitor had commenced this work without any directive or advice from the Directors. It was decided that each Director would read the document and provide written feedback on the proposal that can be forwarded to the solicitor for amendment.

B6.4.2 – Correspondence Stephen Foody – The Directors received a meeting request for the entire Board to meet with the Motorcycling Australia Board of Directors in response to a letter sent to Motorcycling Australia from Motorcycling NSW outlining the Directors concerns with the financial priorities of that organisation and the constant reliance on the SCBs and riders to remedy their poor financial situation. The Directors discussed the response at length and initially saw no benefit in all Directors attending a meeting, however after a long discussion it was agreed that all Directors would attend to address such a serious matter. The GM is instructed to arrange an appropriate time and location for the meeting.

B6.4.3 – Committee Secretary Document – As per the agreement at the last delegates meeting, the Company Secretary Roles and responsibilities document feedback was discussed by the Directors. Director Leon Sayers provided an alternate document outlining the dissolving of the position and that it be included in the responsibilities of each committee, whilst Director Dave Morgan provided feedback on the document proposed. A long exhaustive discussion took place with both documents having positive and negative attributes. The Directors were at odds with the way forward resulting in the GM being instructed to finalise both proposals that can be presented at the next meeting along with a third option to not continue the position all together that will be decided at the next meeting by the Directors.

B6.3.4 – DA construction for Nowra – The Directors informed by the Chairperson that the company had engaged a consultant to construct the DA for the Shoalhaven Motorsport Complex which would take several months to finalise.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 12.55am
