



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
HELD AT 9 PARKES STREET, HARRIS PARK  
ON THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2011.**

<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>Christine TICKNER</b> <b>Peter DOW</b> <b>Leon SAYERS</b> <b>Jamie PATERSON</b> <b>Garry THOMAS</b>	Chairperson
<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>Daniel GATT</b> <b>Rob COLLIGAN</b>	General Manager Roads and Recreational Manager

**MEETING OPENED** 7.00pm

The Chairperson opened the meeting and thanked all for their attendance. She continued by welcoming Rob Colligan (Roads and Recreational Manager) to the meeting.

**B8.1. Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

**MOTION #1 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2011 be received.**

**Carried**

(a) Corrections - Nil

**MOTION #2 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> July 2011 are confirmed.**

**Carried**

*B7.3.2 – The GM provided confirmation that the MNSW appointed Administrators had been informed and accepted their positions and that the committees Secretary appointment had been notified to all committees. All committees responded positively.*

**B8.2 The July 2011 Financial Report**

**MOTION #3 The MNSW Limited July 2011 Financial Report be received**

**Carried**

The GM provided answers to all the questions that the Directors had sought from the previous month's financial report. He continued by informing the directors that in his opinion the financials were correct, however there was still some data that required inputting to make them absolutely current. That work is continuing and would be evident in the following two months financial reports. He encouraged the Directors to inspect the financial report in great detail and notify him of any queries they may have prior to the next board meeting in September.

**B8.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation**

The Chairperson inspected the Cheque Register for July 2011 and advised the report was satisfactory in her opinion.

**MOTION #4 that the Cheque Register for July 2011 of \$373,474.54 be approved.**

**Carried**

### **B8.3 General Business**

**B8.3.1 Licence Figures** - Motorcycling Australia provided each state with the current licence statistics to date for 2011. The figures showed that from January through to July 2011 that licence holders had reduced by 111 members. The GM noted that in July the office had sent out letters to all members whose licences had expired but they had yet to renew them.

**B8.3.2 Report Development Manager** – The Development Manager presented his monthly written report to the Directors. The report included the upcoming elite rider camp for the NSW State Junior MX Squad as well as the updates from a recent held seminar presenters meeting where work was conducted to modernise the seminar protocol, content and official procedures. He informed the Directors that our target of having 859 accredited officials by the end of the year is behind schedule at 693, but with more seminars coming in the near future, he is optimistic of bridging that gap.

Two Level 1 coaches' courses were scheduled to be conducted on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> August. To date the courses were not full but were expected to be so by the date of the seminars. He confirmed that planning was well under way for the 2012 Night of Champions which is planned for the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at Penrith Pavilion.

The Directors are very pleased with the work and progress being conducted by the Development Manager.

**B8.3.3 Grading MX Committee** - The MX Committee had not been able to agree on a grading system to be implemented for seniors. The Committee presented two alternatives which were both discussed by the Directors at length. The Directors agreed and selected one of the systems and instructed the General Manager to draft it into a final document to go back to the committee for consideration, the committee will be asked to vote on its acceptance or not and if successful will be introduced on January 1 2012.

**B8.3.4 Minutes of Staff Meetings** – The Directors were presented with the minutes of the most recent staff meetings held in the office every second Tuesday morning. The Directors asked for further explanation on a few points but were very appreciative of being included in the distribution of the minutes.

**B8.3.5 MA Drug and Alcohol Testing** – Motorcycling Australia had provided details of an alternate drug and alcohol testing procedure that is more cost effective than the existing procedure. This method has been approved by Motorcycling Australia. The Directors applauded this initiative and instructed the GM to ensure at random meetings in 2011/2012 that drug and alcohol testing is carried out. At the end of this time, a report is to be forwarded to the Directors to determine the validity of such tests.

**B8.3.6 NSW Motorcycle Alliance** – The Roads and Recreational Manager gave a report to the Directors on his current activities, he presented a business plan that covers all aspects of the division. Discussion was had as to the naming of the division with various options being explored. The Directors agreed the NSW Motorcycle Alliance was the most appropriate name and would be used.

<b>MOTION #5 that the Road and Recreational Division of the business will be registered as the NSW Motorcycle Alliance.</b>
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**Carried**

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**B8.3.7 Correspondence - Colin Griffin** – Mr Griffin forwarded an email of thanks to Motorcycling NSW on their efforts in facilitating the NSW MX Championship Television coverage on Speed TV. The Directors acknowledged Mr Griffin's appreciation. The Directors further acknowledged that although televising the championships was a success and did enhance the sport, and that they were very pleased with the outcome and final product that further work could be done with the producers to improve the product for 2012 and beyond.

**B8.3.8 Correspondence – Mr Allan McNeice** – The GM had been requested by Mr Allan McNeice to present his comments to their response from the previous meeting. The GM recapped for the Directors that Mr McNeice is unsatisfied with not receiving a refund from the 2011 NSW State MX Championships after his son withdrew from the meeting after the cut off date for refunds as noted in the supp regs for the meeting. The Directors discussed this matter at the previous Board meeting and determined that the decision not to grant Mr McNeice a refund was the correct decision and will stand. They did acknowledge that the closing dates for refunds should be altered to be the Monday after the weekend prior to the meeting. The GM confirmed that this information had been relayed to Mr McNeice.

Mr McNeice is of the opinion that owing to the facts that illness can strike at any time that the Directors should reconsider their views. The Directors once again discussed the opinion of Mr McNeice and chose to disagree for various reasons.

**B8.3.9 Motocross Sports Committee Minutes** – The NSW Motocross Sports Committee presented minutes from their July meeting for the Directors information. Further action is not required by the Directors or the MNSW office. The minutes were read and noted.

**B8.3.10 2011 Official of the Year and Club of the Year** – The GM confirmed that the process for selecting the 2011 Official of the year and the 2011 Club of the year to be awarded at the 2011 Night of Champions will not be changed or altered. The Directors agreed that the Club of the year will be selected based on the application of a list of criteria that is used by the office to select the five nominees. The nominees are then presented to the Directors, Life Members, office staff and all the sports committee members to vote by allocating a 1 for the most preferred and 5 for the least preferred. The GM compiles the list and the award is won by the club with the least highest number of votes.

The Official of the year will be changed to the Volunteer recognition award to reflect not only those who are officials but also those unsung volunteers who go unheralded such as the hard work of track preparation and maintenance crews, canteen staff, lap scorers and other volunteers who contribute endless amounts of time to ensure our sport proceeds most weekends. This will be awarded by members forwarding nominations to the office. The Directors will decide the final five nominees after all nominations are received. As with the Club of the year, all Directors, sports committee members, Life members and office staff will be asked to vote.

**MOTION #6 that the Official of the year award will be renamed the Volunteer recognition award to recognise those who contribute to our sport but may not be an "official". Accredited officials will still be eligible to receive this award.**

**Carried**

**B8.3.11 Available Land for sale** – Director Leon Sayers and Vice President Peter Dow inspected the parcel of land that a club had noted was available for sale and reported back to the Directors for discussion. After a long discussion, it was agreed that further investigations should be done by the club and with the assistance of the office to determine the full position of acquiring the land. If the Directors agree, they will make representation to the MNSW Properties board on behalf of the club.

**B8.3.12 Proposed delegates meeting Venue Change** – The office had conducted research into proposed venues to move the NSW Delegates meeting to after the existing venue had become no longer suitable to fulfil the requirements of the delegates. The office investigated the Rosehill Bowling Club, Merrylands RSL Club, and Parramatta RSL club, Panthers at Penrith, Merrylands Bowling Club, Blacktown Workers Club and Parramatta Workers Club. Information was sought on the venues available parking, whether it had an available function room for hire on the required days, the cost, the availability of a restaurant, and the availability of a PA system. The information for each venue was listed and presented to the Directors who narrowed down their preferences to either the Merrylands Bowling Club or the Blacktown Workers Club however decided that the entire list will be provided to the delegates for them to decide the preferred location.

**B8.3.13 Election process** – The GM provided the Directors with the review and two options to alter the election process. The Directors agreed that these proposals need to go to all clubs and delegates for comment and decision. The GM noted he would forward a copy of the document with the agenda for the August Delegates meeting.

**B8.3.14 Breakdown of income MX Championships** – The GM presented figures for the breakdown of costs and income for the 2011 NSW MX Championships. It was noted that each club would receive in excess of \$15,000 for the round that they hosted. It was confirmed that the income had reduced slightly from 2010 whilst the running expenses increased. The payment to each club coupled with the increased membership that each club achieved as a result of hosting the event in 2011, increased canteen takings from the State Titles and the lead up events and greater participation levels at events prior to the state titles, the Directors considered this an excellent effort and reward for the promoting club. The Directors acknowledged the contribution of the clubs and their members, the event officials and the office for their efforts.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 11.45pm

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