



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 67 HIGH STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 18th OCTOBER 2007**

PRESENT: Christine TICKNER Chairperson
Dave MORGAN
Chris PRICE
Greg MOSS
Ian PACKER

IN ATTENDANCE: Rob Madden CEO
Daniel Gatt Manager

Meeting Opened: 6.30 pm

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed Mr Packer back and thanked all for attending.

B10.1 Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 20 September 2007

MOTION #1 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on 20 September 2007 be received.

Carried

- (a) Corrections
Nil

MOTION #2 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 20 September 2007 are confirmed.

Carried

- (b) Matters arising
B04.3.7 Speedway Bikes. Mr Morgan asked when the 2 speedway bikes will be ready to send out for new riders interested in trying speedway. The CEO advised the engines have now been delivered to D Mills who is checking them over and should be finished and re-fitted back into the frames so the bikes can be used from November 2007.

The Directors agreed photos of the 2 machines and an article on their use to be provided for the next edition of the MNSW Newsletter.

B03.4.9 Gobert Matter. The Chairperson was asked what was the response from MA to our numerous pieces of correspondence regarding Motorcycling Victoria issuing MA competition licenses to NSW members.

The Chairperson advised she had received about two phone calls but there had been no real action or result from her correspondence.

The Directors agreed the time for action had now been reached and directed the matter be put in the hands of our Solicitor.

MOTION #3 That the MNSW Solicitor be instructed to start legal proceedings in the Court of Arbitration for Sport against Motorcycling Australia.

Carried

B10.2 The September 2007 Financial Report

MOTION #4 The MNSW Limited September 2007 Financial Report be received

Carried

The Directors reviewed the financial report. There were no questions.

MOTION #5 The MNSW Limited September 2007 Financial Report be approved.

Carried

B10.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson inspected the Cheques Register for September 2007 and advised that in her opinion the report was satisfactory.

MOTION #6 That the Cheque Register for September 2007 of \$178,674.20 be approved.

Carried

B10.3 General Business.

B10.3.1 Correspondence from St George MCC – Correspondence was received from St George MCC regarding track hire of Eastern Creek in 2008. The Directors noted this advice is similar to the advice they received last month from Private Promoter Mr J Spence.

The Directors resolved that the Chairperson, CEO and Office Manager should meet with ARDC as soon as possible and discuss the track availability for motorcycles at Eastern Creek.

B10.3.2 Correspondence from Dirt Track Committee – The Committee has received nominations from clubs to conduct a number of NSW Championship events in 2008 and the Committee has made their recommendations.

The Directors reviewed the recommendations proposed by the Dirt Track Committee and approved the clubs recommended by this committee for 2008.

MOTION #7 The 2008 NSW Junior Dirt Track and Junior Track Championships promoters will be Central Coast Junior MCC who will promote the Junior Dirt Track and Kurri Kurri Junior MCC who will conduct the Junior Track Championship.

Carried

Suspension of Standing Orders at 7.25 PM

The meeting was suspended when Mr W Guthrie attended the Directors Meeting to discuss the Moto-Trials Administrators Minutes and correspondence the Administrators had sent to the Directors.

Mr Guthrie advised the Trials fraternity were frustrated with a number of rules and legislation being imposed on the discipline. During the discussion a number of non-factual myths were identified and it was agreed by all that some people are either misinformed or possibly “stirring up” others in this discipline.

Mr Guthrie was thanked for his time and advice to the Directors and left the meeting.

Standing Orders were resumed at 8.30 PM

B10.3.3 Correspondence from Minikhana Committee – The Minikhana Sports Committee has requested a representative of the Board attend the 2007 NSW Minikhana Championships and present some of the awards to the junior riders.

Mr Ian Packer volunteered to attend on the Sunday of the meeting and present the awards.

B10.3.4 Correspondence from MNSW Speedway Committee – The minutes of the Speedway Sports Committee for October 2007 were read and noted.

Additional correspondence from the Committee requesting a change to the dates the Board has

approved to run the Qualifying Round of the Senior Solo Speedway Championships to what they asked and what the Directors approved last month.

MOTION #8 The 2007/2008 NSW Senior Solo Speedway Championship Qualifying meeting may be held on the 1st December 2007 if entry numbers exceed the maximum number of riders required and a qualifying/elimination meeting is required.

Carried

B10.3.5 MNSW Officials Accreditation Policy – The NSW Officials Accreditation process has now been trialled for 12 months and it is scheduled to be reviewed.

The CEO produced documentation on the number of officials who have been assessed, their results and the cost of the program.

The Directors discussed the procedure and the comments they have received to date. It was agreed the goal of MNSW is to have well informed and competent officials. The aim of the process is to have quality officials, not just quantity, therefore the Directors resolved the policy needs some small adjustments and then it will continue as the process our officials will be tested and accredited under in NSW.

The number of points required to move up to a Steward will be reduced to 100 points and the number of practical assessments will be reduced to 2 which must be under two different Assessors.

MOTION #9 The MNSW trial official accreditation policy will be the policy and process for officials to be accredited in NSW with only two (2) practical meeting assessment passes required to be up-graded to Level 3.

Motorcycling Australia to be advised of the result of the trial and our recommendations.

Carried

Correspondence from Mr T Sanford. – Mr Sanford, as one of the Officials Assessors, has requested the fee for assessing be reviewed as he was of the understanding the Assessors were to be paid the same fee as a Steward and currently MNSW is not paying this fee.

The CEO explained, originally the fee structure and budget was for Assessors to only be used to assess for one (1) day and that is what the Assessors are being paid.

The Directors agreed the Officials Assessors are to be paid the same fee as what is paid to Stewards.

B10.3.6 Correspondence from Motorcycling Australia – The Directors received a request from Motorcycling Australia for Sporting Pulse to meet with the MNSW Directors and answer any questions on any concerns the Directors had on the proposed licensing database program.

The responses from Sporting Pulse to the State Managers questions were not answered and left matters to still be resolved.

The Directors asked for written confirmation from MA on the exact cost to MNSW if it was agreed that MNSW would partake in the database program with Sporting Pulse.

MOTION #10 That Motorcycling Australia be asked to put in writing the maximum total cost to MNSW if the Directors agree to partake in Sporting Pulse data base on the following issues:

- 1) What, if any are the yearly on-going costs to MA?**
- 2) How will any fees or charges be recovered by MA? What will be the cost to MNSW?**
- 3) Confirmation that no matter what the financial return to Sporting Pulse is through advertising income, there are no fees or charges to MA or SCBs for the use of Sporting Pulse data base program.**

B10.3.7 Hastings Valley Interest Free Loan – Correspondence was received from Hastings Valley MCC requesting an interest free loan from MNSW to build a new multi-purpose building.

The Directors reviewed the proposal and were in agreement in principal. However the Club currently has a Loan with MNSW at this time.

MOTION #11 The application for an Interest Free Loan to Hastings Valley MCC over five (5) years is approved once the current Loan is repaid and finalised.

Carried

B10.3.8 Correspondence from Dirt Bike Promotions – A request from Dirt Bike Promotions to be granted permission to use the name of www.nswmx.com.au for a new website they wish to develop on the internet has been received.

The Directors saw no issue with this request and agree to the use of the name as a website as it may assist riders who ride in the event to keep informed.

B10.3.9 Correspondence from WEM – Mr Kevin Williams has offered to purchase the AMB MX transponders he is currently renting from MNSW as he wishes to own his own system and will purchase more as his business is expanding.

The Directors discussed the offer and the fact that the NSW demand is also increasing, and with Enduro now looking at using electronic timing there will be more demand. As these units are now 3 years old and they have been completely paid for through the rental, the Directors resolved to offer to purchase the additional 120 WEM required, totalling 240 units.

MOTION #12 That WEM be advised MNSW will purchase an additional 120 AMB units on the same hiring conditions and fees as the current set of timing equipment.
If this is unacceptable to WEM then the current set would be offered to WEM for the total fee of \$15,000 which includes the remaining yearly hiring fee.

Carried

B10.3.10 Motorcycling Australia affiliating Clubs and issuing Licenses – The Directors unanimously raised the matter of Motorcycling Australia contacting clubs and member clubs offering affiliation to Motorcycling Australia. This practice is being offered to clubs who are already affiliated and is happening throughout Australia.

The constitution of MA has no provision for MA to affiliate clubs directly, but only through the State Controlling Bodies. The Directors noted the MA website has an application for affiliation and this must be taken off the website.

The Directors are of the opinion that MA is acting in a provocative manner and also contrary to the Memorandum of Understanding MA initiated and pushed onto SCBs.

If MA does not cease their hostile behaviour MNSW will look at taking legal action to force MA to comply with its own Constitution, rules and regulations.

MOTION #13 The MNSW Board of Directors direct Motorcycling Australia be written to and be directed to remove the affiliation application form their website.
In addition MA is to be directed to cease affiliating member clubs and also to cease issuing MA licenses other than those listed in the Manual of Motor Cycle Sport or MNSW will seek legal advice on action against MA.

Carried

Meeting closed 11.30 pm