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MINUTES OF THE STATE DELEGATES MEETING THURSDAY 23rd June 2011 HELD AT GRANVILLE R.S.L. CLUB

PRESENT:	Christine TICKNER Peter DOW Jamie PATERSON Leon SAYERS Garry THOMAS	Chairperson	
	Daniel Gatt	General Manager	
DELEGATES:	Annandale-Leichhardt MCC Baulkham Hills JMTC Blacktown Minibike Club Historic Racing Register Lake Macquarie MBC Macarthur Districts MCC Nepean Motor Sports Club NSW Supermoto Riders Club Panorama MCC Ryde Districts MCC The Vincent HRD Owners Club Vintage MCC of Aust	Bankstown-Wiley Park Bears Australia MCC City of Penrith MCC Junior Trials Minicycle Club Lower Mountains MCC Inc Manly Warringah MCC North Coast Road Racers Oakdale JMCC PCRA of NSW St George MCC Trials Club of Canberra Willoughby DMCC	
LIFE MEMBERS:	Syd Jackson		
APOLOGIES:	Jan Blizzard Anthony Cassar Dave Elliott	Marion Burrow Steve Coates Mark Fitzsimmons	Rod Carter Rebecca Dukes Steve Squires

VISITORS:

Meeting opened at 7.40pm

SD6.1.1 The Chairperson opened the meeting and thanked all for attending. She informed the meeting of the passing of Mrs Joan Sanson, a long time servant of the sport. On behalf of the organisation and its members she expressed her condolences to the Sanson family.

As a mark of respect the delegates held a minute silence.

The Chairperson welcomed Mr Garry Thomas and Mr Leon Sayers to their first delegates meeting as members of the Board of Directors.

SD6.1.2 Apologies

Apologies were read.

MOTION #1 That the apologies be accepted.

Carried

SD6.2.1 New Delegates

The Chairperson read out the names of the new delegates from New South Wales ATV Club, Canberra Bulls Speedway Club, Oakdale JMCC, City of Penrith MCC, Silver City Motorcycle Club, ACT MCC, and Northern Districts Motorcycle Club.

MOTION #2 **That the new Delegates be accepted.**

Carried

SD6.3.1 **Minutes of State Delegates Meeting for April 2011**

MOTION #3 **That the Minutes of the State Delegates Meeting for April 2011 be received.**

Carried

Corrections

There were no corrections

MOTION #4 **That the Minutes of the State Delegates Meeting for April 2011 be confirmed.**

Carried

Business arising

There was no business arising

SD6.4.1 **Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting for April 2011**

MOTION #5 **That the Minutes of the April 2011 Board of Directors Meeting be received.**

Carried

B4.3.2 – Willoughby MCC voiced his concern in regards to the reference of accepted practice and how his actions were not considered accepted practice. The Chairperson noted that the accepted practice was the process in which each nominee is given the opportunity to write about the reasons they wish to be considered for a position on the official nomination form, that is then typed verbatim by the office and sent to all clubs. She continued by sending correspondence to selected clubs outside of this procedure is not normally done. The delegate disagreed and sighted the election propaganda he receives for each local, state and federal election which is sent by the nominee, he continued by noting the incorrect email addresses upon the MNSW website and that it was in his opinion poor that the office could not get the details correct of each club. The delegate was responded to by other delegates explaining that the office sends out forms each year requesting clubs update their records for such purposes and that the office can only list the details given to them.

Further discussion ensued.

B4.2 – The GM informed the delegates that work was underway to rectify the financial accounting problems that the office had reported at the last meeting, an indicative set of financial reports were presented to the Directors at the last meeting, however they required further scrutiny before being released to the delegates. He noted that he was confident that a set of financials will be presented to the delegates as per usual practice at the next delegates meeting in August.

SD6.4.2 **Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for May 2011**

MOTION #6 **That the Minutes of the Board Meeting for May 2011 be received.**

Carried

B5.5.1 – It was agreed that this should be carried over to General Business

SD6.5.1 **Committee Reports**

Classic Dirt Track Report
Moto Trials Committee Report
Enduro Committee Report

No report provided
Presented by: Bob McGlinchy
No report provided

Road Racing Committee Report	Presented by:	Michael Rooke
Dirt Track Committee Report	No report provided	
Historic Road Racing Report	Presented by:	John Simms
Motocross Committee Report	Presented by:	Maree Kirby
Supermoto Report	Presented by:	Steve Coppock
Minikhana Committee Report	Presented by:	Greg O'Conner

The Chairperson noted that after the recent elections that the Classic Dirt Sports Committee, the Dirt Track Sports Committee and the Speedway Sports Committees did not have sufficient members to form a quorum, therefore the committees will be dissolved and administrators appointed. The Chairperson informed all present that expressions of interest will be forwarded by the office and the Directors will select those who will be administrators.

SD6.6.1 Private Promoter Affiliation

The Chairperson read out an application from MC Motorsports for affiliation as a new member.

MOTION #7 That the application from MC Motorsports for affiliation as a new member be approved.

Carried

SD6.6.2 Club Affiliations

There was no new club affiliation applications presented.

SD6.7.1 General Business

SD6.7.2 – A nomination was received from Mrs Christine Tickner that Mr Kevin McDonald be awarded the first MNSW issued Life Membership for his outstanding contribution to the sport and the company over many years.

MOTION #8 that Mr Kevin McDonald be awarded MNSW Life Membership for his outstanding contribution to the sport and MNSW over many years.

Carried

SD6.7.3 – Mr Ron Kivovitch submitted a notice of motion, the Chairperson gave Mr Kivovitch the opportunity to address the meeting. He commenced by noting his disappointment that the notice of motion that was sent to the Directors on the 24th May 2011 was not presented to the delegates before this meeting. The Chair explained to Mr Kivovitch that his accompanying correspondence noted that he sought decision by the board prior to the meeting and therefore it would be impossible to send it to the delegates as the delegate paperwork is sent before the Board meeting was held. Mr Kivovitch continued that it was his position that MNSW should reimburse the air fare expenses, overnight accommodation and taxi fares to and from airports for all Board members who reside in excess of 175kms from the Board meetings. He explained that the GM and the President have their costs reimbursed when they represent the company at Motorcycling Australia. The President corrected the delegate by explaining that MA provide an airfare and accommodation, whilst the President pays for her own travel to and from the airport, parking for her vehicle and transfers from the airport in Victoria to the MA office.

The Chair explained to the meeting that the Directors discussed this motion at length and decided not to support it, however referred it for the delegates to decide. She continued by informing the delegates that it was the Boards opinion that all Directors are aware of the financial and time restraints placed upon them when they nominate and that the position is entirely voluntary. Further she noted the financial implications of such a policy would be considerable. She also noted that all Directors who live outside of the Sydney Metropolitan area are provided accommodation at the companies expense, this arrangement has been in place for many years.

A long and lively discussion ensued by all delegates. With his final reply Mr Kivovitch again reaffirmed his position and noted that should the company delegates decide to not endorse this motion than the company would prove to be a “miserable mob”.

The delegate requested the results be noted.

MOTION #9 that directors who live further than 175kms from Sydney be paid the expenses incurred in attending all necessary meetings.

Lost (For 5 Against 25)

SD6.7.4 – Further to the previous motion, Mr Ron Kivovitch presented his second notice of motion that each club that attends the delegates meeting from a distance greater than 175kms be offered \$100.00 to assist with either travel costs or perhaps towards accommodation. Again a long discussion ensued with some delegates believing that it was the quality of the meeting and the ravings and negative actions of some delegates which is making the meetings uninformative. Others countered that the meeting was an opportunity for all delegates to present their point of view regardless of its value or worth to the majority.

Prior to the President speaking on behalf of the Directors, the Willoughby delegate requested that she stand down her position, which she did. After speaking the Chairperson returned her rightful position and the debate amongst the delegates continued. Mr Kivovitch was given the final comments as per protocol and he reaffirmed his motion seeking support from the delegates.

The delegate requested the results be noted.

<p>MOTION # 10 That on a bi monthly basis, an amount of \$100.00 be offered to all clubs situated further than 175kms from Sydney to encourage them to send delegates to the bi monthly Council meetings. Such funds will assist delegates with either travel costs or perhaps go towards accommodation expenses.</p>

Lost (For 8 Against 26)

SD6.7.5 – The delegate from the Trials Club of Canberra was pleased to announce that the MNSW air fence had been repaired and was now being used at Kurri Kurri Speedway rather than being in storage. The GM took the opportunity to thank Mr and Mrs Bill and Julie Sultana (delegates from Blacktown MBC) for allowing the airfence to be stored at their property for over a year at no cost to the company.

SD6.7.6 – Further to the discussion at the recent AGM, the GM presented to the delegates alternatives for a revised election process. The GM presented the two options to the delegates for discussion only. It was resolved by the delegates that the scheme had merit and that the GM would send a copy to each club for comment and report back to the delegates with the responses.

SD6.7.7 – The GM noted that the venue where the meeting is held currently may no longer be suitable. With the closure of the restaurant and limited parking, it has become increasingly difficult for those who attend the meeting to arrive at the meeting to find suitable parking and have a meal before the meeting, especially those who travel long distances. The delegates noted several venues which may be suitable. The GM noted that he will do some investigation and report back to the meeting.

SD6.7.8 – A question was asked by the Willoughby delegate if the Directors have had further discussions with the proprietors of Wakefield Park. The Chairperson explained that numerous attempts had been made to open discussions with them but they have elected not to respond to our invitation for discussions. The delegate noted he was extremely worried as his club has requested a copy of the proprietor's insurance policy but on each occasion he has been refused.

SD6.7.9 – Further to previous comments, the delegates asked about the MNSW website and why the company had not updated to the new Sporting Pulse website. The GM confirmed that the new MNSW Sporting pulse website is ready to be launched however he will not launch it at this time as Sporting Pulse have not delivered on a number of core requirements of the database. He continued that the website holds financial value to Sporting pulse whilst the database does not; therefore they are reluctant to deliver on the promises. The GM noted that the only surety the company had over Sporting Pulse is the website and thus it would not be launched until the database is improved.

SD6.7.10 – Baulkham Hills Junior Motorcycle Training Club asked about the Minikhana Venue at Horsley Park and why the delay in getting in finalised. The GM explained that the RTA had placed onerous and impossible measures on their approval and as a result all work had to stop. The GM noted that after a period of long discussion with the RTA and approaches to the road minister that the RTA backed down and allowed the process to continue. The GM produced a letter that was only received earlier that day from the minister rescinding the RTA's conditions of approval

With no further business the meeting was closed at 9.40pm.
