



**General Meeting Minutes  
04.05.21**

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**IN ATTENDANCE**

Refer to separate Attendance Register attached.

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**1.0 Apologies** – Leah Mellor, Luke Sears.

**2.0 Confirmation & acceptance of previous minutes - Greg**

Minutes of the previous monthly meeting held on 13.04.21 had been circulated to members.

**Moved:** Sharn      **Seconded:** Greg

**3.0 Outstanding items of previous meeting - Greg**

Whiteboard purchased to put up at the track. Sponsor signs to be finished putting up before double header.

**Moved:** Greg      **Seconded:** Rick

**4.0 Inward/Outward Correspondence - Greg**

Sharn emailed MNSW to request scrutineer and race sec seminars to be held. These will be held via zoom and dates to be provided.

Thoughts sent to the family who lost their rider in the QLD dirt track event.

No other correspondence.

**Moved:** Greg      **Seconded:** Katrina

**5.0 Welcome Address – Greg**

Officially welcoming Aaron and reintroducing Aaron for those who were not aware of who Aaron is. We have been super lucky to have Aaron on board helping with our council issues, planning and VMP. Acknowledged we are greatly appreciative to Aaron.

**Moved:** Greg      **Seconded:** Josh

## 6.0 Secretary Report – Sharn

New races ordered have been done. Circulated for feedback, also attached. Pads on the defib need replacing – Sharn to organise.

**Moved:** Sharn      **Seconded:** Rick

## 7.0 Treasurer/Sponsor Report – Greg in Erica’s absence

Treasurer Report – Hastings Valley Motorcycle Club  
04/05/2021

Account Balances:

S14 \$29,547.17

- \$6,720.00 (Mower) 5/5/21

\$22,827.17

S14.1 \$1,046.98

S14.3 \$746.49

major EXP April/May

Posi Track repayment: \$5100.00

Merch: \$2733.50

CBS: Mower: \$1680.00

Signs: \$1987.20

Outstanding Invoices: \$4208.00

Sponsors + Matt Love

**Moved:** Erica      **Seconded:** Katie

## 8.0 Canteen Report – Leah

**No report available in Leah’s absence.**

## 9.0 Race Day Report – Katrina

Are we requiring camping permits for both Friday and Saturday evening, all attendees voted yes. Permits to be organised for both nights. Officials for double header – Michael Coghlan – Steward, Rod Hart – Clerk, Katrina – Race Sec or Lauren Ellem, Rick to scrutineer.

Spoke about the need of officials to run an RPA or practice day. All committee of the opinion we need to run a first aid course for those interested so we have more option for someone to manage an RPA day. RPA day requires a manager with first aid as well as first aid, practice requires a level 2 or two level 1 officials to run as well as first aid.

Sharn to see if Bago Safety Solutions can run a motocross specific first aid course for anyone keen.

**Moved:** Katrina      **Seconded:** Sharn

## 10.0 Track Report – Luke

Unfortunately, we had 250 cubic metre of sawdust lost in the floods. More soil and sawdust are being organised. Need to advertise for a working bee 15<sup>th</sup> May. Bring whipper snippers, mowers etc, lots of ground to mow and sponsor signs to hang. New mower being picked up or delivered to track.

**Moved:** Luke

**Seconded:** Josh

## 11.0 Coaching Report – Tom

Kickstart being held 15<sup>th</sup> May – already full and extra names on the list waiting on another date. Need two or three more names to make another date viable. Tom has drafted a form to be used on all bookings for our track – see attached. This form includes fees and rules regarding hosting coaches on our track.

**Moved:** Tom

**Seconded:** Rick

## 12.0 Merchandise Update – Greg

Logo change is required if we would like to run merchandise for the 2021 season. The previously voted on logo was too intricate in detail and not able to be screen-printed – needed to simplify the design. New design distributed around and voted unanimously yes. See attached.

We have ordered 150 shirts and 50 hats. Of the shirts all sponsors will receive one free shirt. Pricing on merchandise – shirts \$20 hats \$15. Will look into ordering hoodies and will put an EOI on Facebook for orders of hoodies. Greg to be point of contact for merchandise.

**Moved:** Greg

**Seconded:** Katrina

## 13.0 Update on mini track – Katie

Council have approved the construction of the mini track submitted. Josh to organise Pasul Carney and Brendon to use the grader to mark out track for dirt to start being laid. Council stipulate we must not cause any environmental damage – no removal of trees etc. Fence to be star picket with wire. We can revisit if this is not sufficient once in use. Solid for the track must be certified – Brendon has already organised at least 5 loads of soil.

Score tower is DA approved however only to build or resurrect the exact same dwelling. We can knock it down completely and rebuild the same or look at repairing the existing building. The top room will be fixed, and the middle section will be fully lined and secured. Chris looking at repairing this. Grade of stairs to be checked to ensure in line with council as Hargy suggested it was the stairs that made the building condemned.

**Moved:** Katie

**Seconded:** Sharn

## 14.0 Rider Grades – Katrina

We need to look at voting on riders being made to move up grades if they podium finish the series the year before. We can not locate this rule in the constitution or MA therefore the committee moved to vote that if the rider made the top 3 positions in their class, for two consecutive years, the rider would need to move up a grade or at the committee discretion you could be asked to move up a class earlier (i.e., if you're riding ability far outweighs the class you're in). Unanimously voted yes.

Katrina bought up a suggestion from Michael Coghlan that we condense our race classes in 2022 because we currently have a long race order with no room for injuries/accidents and to make room for an All-Powers class. This suggestion has also been made by a few other members. This prompted a massive discussion from the committee and the following points were raised.

- At this point in time, we need to make small changes as we are a new committee and do not want to change the whole race program at once.
- If we join MX1/MX2 we could separate A, B and C Grade.
- C Grade is a HUGE class. A lot of riders will stay in C Grade as they do not want to ride with A grade riders – therefore if we split A and B we could entice more C Grade riders to go up to B Grade creating fairer and more competitive classes.
- The completion rate of MX1 and MX2 over the last couple of years has been lacking. Riders use these classes as 'extra laps' throughout a race day. Greg mentioned he does this himself. Katrina has always told riders to jump into MX1 and MX2, so they get the extra practice.
- Sharn and Katrina agreed that when it comes to scoring, these two classes have the least entries on the start line throughout the day and the level of completion of riders throughout each race day is minimal (besides O45/Women).
- By joining MX1/MX2 we are progressing the skill level of each rider in preparation for national events rather than running the class of bike size
- By joining MX1/MX2 we are bringing back an exciting, competitive class for riders to be a part of and something for people to get excited over watching.
- We are a local club looking to accommodate our local riders – if we could offer every single class, we would but already have feedback about the length of our days and we are trying to better the level of competition.
- We could look at timing races, changing other classes in the future and making the race order simpler and time effective.
- Once the mini track is completed the mini riders will have their own track which will also free time and space on the main track.

Previously MX Club Champion was based off only an A Grade rider and used the points they earned in MX1 and MX2 to tally for end of year club championship. We could not find in the constitution why the Club Champion had to be an A grade rider and why it could not be awarded to the senior with the most points in their class.

Hargy suggested making the MX All Powers Class the only championship class. He mentions there is no need to accumulate points from another grade – just base the championship off MX All powers which makes sense.

We are opening the ability for any senior rider to take out the championship as it will be based off MX All Powers only, which will have riders from all grades racing in it.

Majority vote was to merge MX1/MX2 into one MX All Powers Championship Class.

- Some riders had already entered RD 1 and 2 in MX1/2 so we would need to email these riders and advise of the changes and give them the option of withdrawing from the class.
- Supp regs to be changed.
- Race order to be changed.
- Ridernet classes to be changed.

**Moved:** Katrina

**Seconded:** Rick

### **15.0 Payment of Officials – Greg**

Of the back of correspondence received from MNSW regarding payment rates of officials, discussion was brought to the table around who gets paid on a race day. The club currently only pays the Steward as no other officials request payment. Unanimous decision was made to offer all officials payment as per the MNSW fee schedule. It is then up to the officials if they accept it.

**Moved:** Greg

**Seconded:** Jason

### **16.0 General Business – All present.**

Chris – Side by sides need servicing and repairs. Rick to pick up and get the quad fixed. Irrigation pipes – some need replacing – will get replacement pipes and spares to keep onsite. Both tractors need servicing. Suggestion to get an A1 Auto account from Hargy so we can keep track of all parts etc we buy for servicing and repairing machines.

Josh – Attended Mt Seaview and have a track marked out for the Enduro track. DA to be commenced. Aaron has offered to help us write the story, including vegetation considerations we have made regarding getting the Enduro up and running. Still some pushback however Josh has done an amazing job so far, he and Aaron will work closely on trying to get this off the ground. Club in support.

Aaron – End of May we need to complete a memo to council to demonstrate the progress we are making on our VMP. Aaron will draft this for us. (Thank you). 30<sup>th</sup> May will need hands on deck to help plant trees as seedlings are ready to go. Call for star pickets and wiring to deter wildlife ruining them.

Hargy – Billy is in the focus mag for the Kids Who Rip which the club nominated him for at the start of the year. This has been shared to Facebook.

Sharn – Do we still do a map for camping etc at the track, especially given mini track will be constructed shortly. Decision made to erect signs that all vehicles must not be parked within 6m of each other on the hill to allow spectator viewing and 6m off the fence. No caravan camping on the hill.

Next meeting for 50yr planning to be held Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm  
Wauchope RSL.

Next general monthly meeting to be held Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 6.30pm  
Wauchope RSL.

**Meeting Closed 9.14pm**