



Hunter Mountain Bike Association (HMBA)

Committee Meeting Minutes

Date:	6 th April
Location:	Cardiff RSL Club
Meeting Started at :	7:00pm

Attendance Record

Present:

*James Mallen
Landon Arthur
Rick Kehoe
Keith Bruce
Steven Pryor
Lincoln Hertogs
Steve Carter
Mark Welsh
Bruce Richards
Dean Kozlik
Todd Kozlik
Dallas Barham
Monica Pung
Stu McNaughton
Brad Scott*

Apologies: *Lenny Allen
Wayne and Jackie Bower*

Chair : Keith Bruce

Minutes : Keith Bruce

Minutes of Previous meeting

- Steven Pryor moved to accept. Seconded : Keith Bruce

Business Arising from Previous Meetings

- Ongoing issues from last meeting
 - Club membership form needs to be amended to indicate 2009 MTBA fee \$90 for adults
 - Need to establish a feed zone for XC riders
 - Wayne – Car parking issues – second park area proposed on Jenkins Rd.
 - Need to keep the Down Hill turn around area clear - do not park in this area.

- Drinks at XC club races. Lenny to confirm if he has the esky that can be used by Steven Pryor for club races
- Forms – incident forms – Pete Delore to investigate possibilities.
- Asset Register.
- Yearly Profit & Loss statement
- Condition of Jenkins road. Currently not passable when wet. Needs to be made into an all weather road. Estimated cost is about \$900 for the delivery of 34 cubic metres of concrush to be dropped on the two steep hills. Will still need to be spread and rolled in. Dean to make some further enquires. Contact Lenny to seek approval from State Forest before proceeding.
- Seek volunteers to be a first aid officer on race day
- Missing club trailer folding table. Need to acquire another table to make a total of 3.
- Rick has prepared 4 more signs and lots more signs need to be made (wording to be confirmed) and positioned around the tracks
- Booklet Information map, directions, calendar, website details.
- Club needs to develop a marketing strategy for relevant sponsoring of the track eg naming rights to a bridge or advertising on a bridge.

Correspondence In

- Several Emails from Damien Enderby about his race results in Race 3.
- Email from Pete Delore notifying of resignation from club committee
- Email from NSW MTBA re ideas on running an enduro series in 2009
- Email from rep Xs Energy drink to set up at race meetings

Correspondence Out

- Several Emails to Damien Enderby about his race results in Race 3.
- NSW MTBA re enduro series
- Heaps of licences sent to MTBA - Stu McNaughton

Treasurer's Report

- No comments from Jackie
- Need to pay \$180 for Web hosting
- Race 3 XC income \$1000
- Race 3 DH loss \$200 due to bus costs
- Bank balance - not sure.

Publicity Officer Report

- XC results were in Newcastle Herald Wed
- No Downhill results put in Herald
- Monica will accept results in word or excel format and results will be published in Wed's paper
- State XC

XC Report

- Two XC injuries Robert Mawkes (C grade) – no broken bones, just bruising. Two riders assisted – they need to advise the point score officer so that their times can be adjusted to average points for that race
- Ryan Paul (B Grade) – crashed into the second gully
- Both injuries were near the twin bridges
- Some of the kids track tape was not pulled down in time for the adults XC race. Dallas stopped and pulled in down after all the riders had passed through for the first time
- Good starting riders at the bottom of the down hill track, but difficult to stop the cars
- Next race start needs to avoid intersecting with the Car park, will start further north on Jenkins Rd and then cut into the track at the end of the down hill
- Netting (shade cloth) on bridges may be required

DH Report

- 37 riders. Will need to scale back to only bus for next race.
- Rick Boyer won the race
- Cow bell was a success
- No injuries
- Rock cage construction has been completed – rides good.
- Next build day will be Sun 19th April

Awaba Track Build Report

- Will need many hands on deck to build new bridge at the “twin bridges”.
- Build day on 5th Apr – cancelled due to wet weather. Jenkins Rd impassable.
- Next build day will be Sun 19th April – weekend prior to 26th Apr club Race. Wayne Bower to lead.
- The following build on Sun 3rd May will still proceed – Wayne Bower to lead.
- Dean looking to build separate/extra track for kids adjacent to car park.

General Business

- Steven Pryor - 46 cans of drinks sold last club race. Club esky has gone missing. Need to acquire another esky. Thanks to Steven for organising supply of the drinks and ice.
- XC race course must not interfere with DH races- XC tape needs to be recovered once racing is finished. Need to get volunteers to pull down tape.
- Rider briefing
- Rider - Roll Call. Difficult to do as currently do not have a printer at the races to print out the start list.
- Day licence books – Stu McNaughton will contact Tony Scott to get 12 new books.
- MTBA licences – waiting on queue to send to MTBA
- DH April race – only 1 bus will be hired
- Steve - Need to improve cash reconciliation process at race entry – need to identify race entry, drinks, day licences. Need to get a list of names of members.
- Steve - Put a laminated sign on the side of the trailer with details – race entry fees, day licence costs, MTBA licence fees, number of laps for each grade, start times, directions/order of events etc

- Steve – does the club need a first aid officer
- Pete Delore has resigned from the committee – now seeking volunteer for Club secretary position.
- Rider Damien Enderby will get B grade race result for race 3
- race registration/timing issues –
 - No rider can enter on behalf of another rider.
 - Sign on sheets required at race entry for XC and DH.
 - Need three people to race timing
- State XC - will it be on?
- Bruce Richards attended the meeting and gave a quick history on the HMBA club as he was one of the original founding members:-
 - He has historical information eg photos, first newsletter
 - 1982 Apollo Bikes
 - 1984 Lake Macquarie Canoe club core members decided to ride mountain bikes.
 - Paterson classic – first event to eaglereach resort
 - Flat tyre flyers (Melbourne) also kicked off at the same time
 - 1985 – Bob James, Bruce Richardson & Graham Upton stated the Hunter Mountain Bike Association.
 - First local events held at Charlestown Gold Course
 - Concentrated on learning skills & adventure rides
 - Wally Wolrub – king of MTB racing for several years and won races – XC and DH.
 - Bruce asked what does the club cater for these days? Does the club have a charter?
 - Bruce suggested that the club needs to have a balance of events.
- Steven Pryor volunteered to organise car parking at Awaba on race days so that cars were parked more efficiently and thereby more cars could fit without having to spill out onto the road.

Meeting Closed at 9:30 pm.