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Annual General Meeting:

The AGM of Motorcycling New Zealand was held on the 24th May 2009, with the Commissioner Workshops being held on the 23rd May.

Workshops

From the workshops the Commissioners are now reviewing the outcomes that came from these; to date we have the ATV & Road Race available we have enclosed these for your information. These are also posted on our website (www.mnz.co.nz) under Organisation/Annual General Meeting.

Once the remaining Commissioners approve their outcomes these too will be posted on our website.

Awards Dinner

The inaugural Motorcycling New Zealand awards dinner took place on the Saturday evening before the AGM. Awards were for each discipline of the sport and for Club of the Year, Administrator of the Year, along with the Innovation Awards.

The discipline awards were based on the exceptional talent for the 2008/2009 season.

Senior Motocross	Damien King
Junior Motocross	Cameron Dillon
ATV	Quentin Palmer
Cross Country	Charles Alabaster
Enduro	Chris Birch
Trials	Jake Whittaker
Road Race	Sam Love
Club Of the Year	New Zealand Classic Racing Register
Administrator of the Year	Lynette Thompson (Auckland Motorcycle Club)
Innovation Award	Taranaki Motorcycle Club

A special gift was presented to the South Canterbury Motorcycle Club in recognition of their 100 year celebration.

AGM:

As per the Constitution the minutes are taken by an independent minute taker, as soon as these are available they will be placed on our website (www.mnz.co.nz) under Organisation/Annual General Meeting. In the meantime we have provided a summary of the meeting:

Summary of the meeting

- The minutes of the previous AGM were approved.
- The Annual Report of the Governance Board was approved.
- Mr Kevin McCleary was made Patron.
- The CEO Report was approved.
- Accounting Plus – Ian J Orr & Associates were appointed as MNZ Auditor.
- J & N Stables were appointed as Voting Auditor.
- Mr Jim Tuckerman successful as President
- Mrs Carmen Davidson was successful as Off Road North Island Board Member
- Mr Kevin Goddard was successful (unopposed) as the Road South Island Board Member
- The existing Board withdraw the remits presented at the meeting; the new Board undertook to discuss and look at implementing the proposed changes as rule changes.

We thank the outgoing Board members, Sandra Perry (President), Alan Cressey & Dave Morris for the enormous amount of volunteer hours that they have put into the sport, and wish them well, and hope that they are still involved at some level with the sport.

Board:

Mr Trevor Heaphy has resigned from his role of Road North Island Board representative. The Board of Motorcycling New Zealand will advise of his replacement in due course; as per the Constitution 5.1.11 "In the event of the death or resignation of an elected GB member, or a GB member filling the President's vacancy, the GB may select and appoint a replacement from the pool of elected commission members."

We thank Trevor for the enormous amount of volunteer hours that he has put into the sport, and wish him well.

Commissioners:

Recently we have had two resignations from Commissioner roles these being Warren New from the role of Stewards Commissioner, and Murray Perry from the role of Health & Safety Commissioner.

Paul Stewart, decided not to apply for the role of Road Race Commissioner for the next term of two years.

We thank Warren, Murray & Paul for all of the hours that they have put into the role as a volunteer, it is a big ask and they have all achieved so much in their respective areas of the sport, we hope that they too continue to be involved with the sport at some level.

Given this we now have three roles available for application; should you be interested in applying for any of these roles please contact CEO, Paul Pavletich – ceo@mnz.co.nz or 07 828 7852. The role of a MNZ Commissioner is a volunteer role, the objectives are listed in the Constitution of the organisation under clause 5.2, also enclosed is the Job Description.

Our Current Sporting Commissioners are:

ATV	Wade Taylor
Cross Country	Murray Searle
Enduro	Gary Powell
Junior Motocross	Bryan Davidson
Motocross	Mike McLeod
Trail Riding	Paul Searancke
Trials	Jim Henderson

Coordinators:

Rather than create a new Commissioner role, the Board of Motorcycling New Zealand have appointed Bryan Davidson & Neil Ritchie as Supercross Coordinators. They will work with the Clubs and Mike McLeod (Motocross Commissioner) to raise the profile and professionalism of the Supercross Series.

Stewards Seminars:

We remind Stewards of the Grade 3 & 4 Seminars that are currently being held.

These seminars provide the opportunity to move to the next level of our sport, and also give you the opportunity to meet and network with other Stewards.

The MNZ Stewards area of the website is now in place you are encouraged to check this for information.

All of the Seminars are held from 9am to 4.30pm

To register for these Seminars please contact Bonnie by phoning 07 8287 852 or email bonnie@mnz.co.nz

Nelson - Saturday 27th June at the Trailways Hotel

Wellington - Saturday 18th July at the Airport Conference Centre

Invercargill - Saturday 1st August at the Ascot Park Hotel

2009-2010 Competition Licences:

Clubs will have received the licence application forms for the above stated season, along with a memo containing information about licencing.

The online option for members to apply for a licence is now available. Each member will have by now received their unique username and password.

We have not sent out renewal forms this year, as most members now relicence online. However, if a member does not have access to the internet they can still apply for their licence by contacting their club to obtain an application form, at the same time as renewing their Club membership, or alternatively they can contact the MNZ office.

A reminder to all officials that confirmations of a licence are not issued, a member must have with them their licence and logbook to compete – or they can purchase a one event licence at the event (not applicable for Championship, Beach, Street or Road Sprint Events).

Members over the age of 65 are entitled to receive a free MNZ Competition Licence; these members are not covered in the MNZ Competitors insurance, which covers competitors should they be fatally injured whilst competing at a MNZ permitted event.

Rule Changes:

All proposed rule changes (to take effect 1 January 2010) are currently on the MNZ website; the Commissioners request you review these proposals and make any submissions to them. Via the website you will be advised when the final submission is ready for the next stage, which is approval by the Stewards and Health & Safety Commissioner, then ratification by the Board of Motorcycling New Zealand.

Friendly Reminders:***Noise Testing:***

Please make a regular habit of noise testing at your events; this can be random testing you do not need to test every machine. We need to be continuing to educate riders, via Club events about noise testing. All Clubs have been issued with Noise Metres courtesy of Motorcycling New Zealand, along with instructions on how to use these.

Should you need any assistance or advice regarding Noise Testing please do not hesitate to contact us.

Injured Competitors:

Should a rider sustain an injury that requires a medical clearance, the Steward must uplift that competitors licence & log book and return it to the MNZ Office along with the Stewards report. We request that as a Steward you return this information to the MNZ Office on the first day immediately after the event to ensure that the competitor has time to obtain the required medical clearance to compete again.

For clarification a medical clearance is required from any competitor who requires treatment from a Hospital or Medical Clinic.

It is the responsibility of the injured rider to provide to us a medical clearance (faxed copy is acceptable) once this is received their licence is posted back to them.

Please ensure that you adhere to this rule, we require consistency throughout the country.

Volunteer Recognition Programme:

We have a very disappointing response to our Volunteer Recognition Programme. Volunteers are one of the most important part of our sport, without them it would become cost prohibitive. We encourage you to get behind our Volunteer Recognition Programme; information enclosed.

Take the time to complete this information to recognise some of the hard working volunteers in your Club.

Updating Club Information:

Should your Club have a change of President, Secretary or Treasurer please remember to update us with the new Contact person and telephone numbers. This can also be completed via our website (www.mnz.co.nz) under Club Resources/Club Registration and Update Details.

Templates for Clubs:

Clubs you will find enclosed two separate sleeves one with all of the required licencing templates and the other with all of the templates regarding permitting; all of these forms can also be found on our website.

However with the recent changes of Club officials it is timely to provide hard copies of these to you again. Should you have any queries regarding these forms please do not hesitate to contact us.

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