

Hunter Mountain Bike Association (HMBA)

MONTHLY MEETING

Date:	15/072019
Location:	Club Macquarie
Meeting Started at:	7.15 PM

Chairman – Clint Musgrove

Present: Andrew Hardy, John Richardson, Coleen Kehoe, Mark Welsh.

1. Registration of Members:

The chairman confirmed that the numbers for a quorum had been reached.

2. Apologies:

Dallas Barham, Steve Pryor, Rohan Betts, Joel Davies, Paula Gresham, Michael Clarke, John Philippa, Josh Bridson, Rick Kehoe, Dean Kozlik, Alicia Reed

3. Minutes of previous Meeting

Acceptance of previous meeting minutes proposed by Clint Musgrove and seconded by Coleen, accepted by meeting.

4. Membership

Club membership has risen to 411.

5. Monthly racing reports

No racing since last meeting.

XC - Next race day will be at Awaba on 21st July 2019.

DH - Next Race is 21st July 2019 at Awaba. (Rocky Trail Entertainment round)

6. Build days –

Dallas and Rick were foremen at the build day in early July. Thanks all who attended. Next build day will be a double, Saturday and Sunday, 27/28 July.

All riders and friends of the club are welcome at build days (kids too) – besides shaping and maintaining the world class, unique trails, we eat sandwiches, chips, biscuits, lollies, vegemite, chocolate bars, baked beans, cold sausages, the occasional piece of fruit and tell jokes. People are encouraged to bring a friend along to spend a few hours letting the serenity of the Australian Bush wash over them with a large group of other awesome people. Dogs are allowed in State Forests as well – so bring your Mutt too!!

7. Financial Report

Bank Balance at 18/06/19 was - \$12,323.17 and Balance at 15/07/19 is - \$14,721.75.

Club account

Major Outgoings – Club Socks – \$1,535.00

Major Income -	Rocky Trail Entertainment fees -	\$2,338.00
	License income -	\$ 934.49

Working Account

Bank Balance at 18/06/19 is - \$27,155.07 and Balance at 15/07/19 is - \$18,837.83.

P450 account

Major Outgoings –	Bridges –	\$13,600.00
	Wire rope -	\$4,554.00
	Trail design -	\$4,080.00

The club, in collaboration with Lake Macquarie Council are working together to manage the commercial aspects of the P450 project. The Club transfers club funds to the 'working' account and the Council reimburses the club (From Grant Funding held by the Council) when the working account is exhausted. Members should expect to see fluctuations in the club finances over the next few months.

8. Correspondence –

Nil

9. Advocacy

Dungog MTB

The Dungog 3 hour is on - see HMBA Calendar.

Kurri Kurri.

Coleen Kehoe – waiting patiently on proponent for the next move.

Port Stephens.

Peter Hallett is moving forward with meetings held with Council and Crown lands. Next meeting to include Worrimi land owners.

Schools.

Paul Monk and Jason English continue their involvement with coaching High school age kids at Glenrock and surrounds. Next Schools event is at Singleton in October. HMBA will provide timing at a cost of \$500 plus expenses.

Wallaroo.

Michael Clarke. No movement on Wallaroo at this stage. Discussion on exploration ride at the site. Michael to organise.

Training, rider development and coaching

The club has booked 9 X Level 1 coaches for a course on 31 August 2019. Clint to promote to interested individuals.

Ride n Sweet to be developed to coincide with school holidays. Coleen is working on other aspects to engage kids in MTB.

Singleton

HMBA Singleton 3hr event scheduled for 18th August.

Women and Girls rides

There has been discussion and movement on organising rides for women and girls at Awaba. All are in favour. More info to come. Diamonds in the Dirt Event was held at Awaba -100 riders attended.

10. Adaptive MTB – HMBA continues liaison with Break the Boundary. Development Trail opening is on at Awaba on 21 July 2019.

General business.

MTBA National Cup – Tier 3 will be held on 20th October. DH will have a practice day on the 19th October 2019. The event will coincide with the Lake Macquarie games.

Lap counter – Lap counters are installed.

Awaba Development – P450 committee continues consultation daily. Project is on track for completion in October / November 2019.

It was decided to engage Synergy Trails to rough-in remaining trails at a cost of approx. \$20k per month.

Grants –

Lake Macquarie Council grant round closes at the end of June. The club has requested assistance to host the Tier 3 event in October.

My Community Project Grant – is in and actively being voted on by the community – HMBA is requesting funds for 6 X Adaptive bikes and Training camps.

Next SCCF funding round closes in September – members are focusing on Youth Engagement – Pump Track, Jump Line, Skills Park, Junior committee, Junior Build Days

Commercial operators – Awaba continues to attract coaching and race promoters.

Volunteers

Volunteers to send their hours to Andrew Hardy. Text Andrew on 0409 329 676.

Trail walkers and trail runners

While we all like to see people being active in the forest, trail runners are advised to not use the Mountain Bike trails for safety reasons – There are some amazing walking trails in the Watagans – just up the hill. A sign has been placed at the Awaba entry point.

Further Notices of Motion

Call for motions from the floor.

Club events for 2019 and beyond –

Discussion still required - 24hr race in 2020.

Discussion on holding club race at Awaba just before Port to Port in 2020.

Active Kids Program – No new vouchers this month.

T-Shirts and Riding kit – T-Shirts are still available from Josh – only for the whippets though. Larger sizes coming in the next run. Socks will be available at the event next week.

Next committee meeting 19th August 2019 – Club Macquarie, Booragul. All welcome. Arrive at 6.00pm for dinner and robust discussion about bikes, trails and personal exploits in the

Club Macquarie Bistro prior to the 7.15 pm meeting. New members especially welcome to come and have an impact on the development of Mountain Biking in the Hunter region and surrounds.

Meeting concluded at 8.20 pm.

NEW AGENDA ITEMS for 19th July 2019

Please email requests to Clint Musgrove – presidenthmba@gmail.com

Current items for discussion are:

- 1.** Trail Transfers offer to club.
- 2.** Next Trail Developments / Grants
- 3.** Build days to finish P450
- 4.** Trail cameras and lap counters
- 5.**