

# Hunter Mountain Bike Association (HMBA)

## MONTHLY MEETING

Date:	16/12/2019
Location:	Club Macquarie
Meeting Started at:	7.15 PM

Chairman – Clint Musgrove

Present: Steven Pryor, Andrew Hardy, Rick Kehoe, Coleen Kehoe, Michael Clarke, Mark Welsh, Alicia Reed, Josh Bridson,

**1. Registration of Members:**

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

**2. Apologies:** Dallas Barham, Rohan Betts, John Philippa, Dean Kozlik, John Richardson, Joel Davies

**3. Minutes of previous Meeting**

Acceptance of previous meeting minutes proposed by Coleen and seconded by Michael Clarke, accepted by meeting

**4. Membership**

Current numbers are: 445 members.

**5. Monthly racing reports**

XC – No racing to report as the Awaba facility was closed due to fire risk.  
Next XC race day will be 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020

DH – No racing to report as the Awaba facility was closed due to fire risk.  
Next DH race day will be 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Special Twilight racing will be in February 2020 on the following dates – 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> – keep monitoring posts and email for further details.

**6. Build days –**

Next build day will be on February 9<sup>th</sup> 2020.

The expansion project is delayed due to the Facility being closed (Extended Fire Ban). Will be back on track as soon as the weather improves.

**7. Financial Report**

Bank Balance at 16/12/19 is \$13,358.00.

Main income:	License purchases	\$618.00
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Main outgoings	Beyond Blue donation	\$374.00
	Schools race timing	\$261.90

## Working Account

Bank Balance at 16/12/19 is - \$2,409.68

All outgoings were on trail building.

Main outgoings -	Scaffold purchase	\$5,194.20
	Bridge construction	\$4,860.00

Invoice has been presented to Council for \$48,000.00

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.

The remaining balance of the \$450,000 Grant funding is as follows;

	Budget	Used	Remaining
<b>Bobcats</b>	\$ 58,800.00	\$51,980.75	\$ 6,819.25
<b>Excavators</b>	\$ 48,400.00	\$50,270.05	-\$ 1,870.05
<b>Signs</b>	\$ 6,600.00	\$2,354.00	\$ 4,246.00
<b>Bridges</b>	\$110,400.00	\$88,486.70	\$ 21,913.30
<b>Jenkins Rd</b>	\$ 48,000.00	\$35,486.00	\$ 12,514.00
<b>Carpark</b>	\$75,000.00	\$51,861.10	\$ 23,138.90
<b>Admin</b>	\$ 48,570.00	\$26,484.68	\$ 22,085.32
<b>Materials &amp; Tools</b>	\$ 22,664.00	\$8,357.22	\$ 14,306.78
<b>Contingency &amp; Design</b>	\$ 31,500.00	\$5,624.54	\$ 25,875.46
			<b>\$ 129,028.96</b>

## **8. Correspondence –**

Casey – continue liaison with HMBA regarding trialling a new 'donation' App.

## **9. Advocacy**

### Kurri Kurri.

Coleen Kehoe – Possibly will not proceed.

### Port Stephens.

Peter Hallett has made every effort to contact Worrimi, but meeting is still to be arranged.

### Schools.

No recent schools race's

### Wallaroo.

On hold at present

### Training, rider development and coaching

The club has trained 10 X Level 1 coaches. New coaches are reminded to get their efforts authenticated by completing the MTBA documentation and providing copies of their certificates to Andrew Hardy. The Grantor requires evidence of completion. 4 persons have replied with proof but Clint is waiting for everyone to reply before processing payment. Clint to send a reminder to everyone asking them to complete and lodge proof of attainment.

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

#### 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.

**10. Adaptive MTB** – A grant application has been lodged with the Dept of Health (Federal) to enable HMBA to run an Adaptive program. Outcome will be known in March 2020. If the funding is approved, the program will be run by Andrew Hardy and one other.

#### General business.

- Awaba name change.... Clint has spoken to Mike Hill and he is on board with the update, only concession is that we cannot use the word “Park” as Forestry is moving away from it. Andrew has spoken to Council and they too are on board with the name change.
- Main advantage to a name change is to align the MTB area with the local area, Awaba is not associated with the area, and “Watagan” is associated with the area.
- Proposal - Make a decision on “**IF**” we vote to change as it will have to sent out to the members when the AGM info goes out.  
Committee voted in favour of sending the proposal to the AGM with proposed new name - ‘WATAGAN FOREST TRAILS’
- Changes to constitution  
A new Constitution is being circulated and will be finalised for presentation and acceptance at the AGM by the next meeting.
- AGM date is March 15, 2020
- Tier 2 in 2020  
Committee has voted to hold a MTBA National Cup (Tier 2) event in April 2020. Dates are April 24, 25, 26. Clint to advise MTBA.
- New president and Treasurer for 2020  
Clint will relinquish the HMBA Presidency at the AGM in March. Thanks for your awesome incumbency Clint. The club has received one nomination to take on the role and that is Josh Bridson. Nominations remain open.

Risky will hang up the calculator at the AGM also – nominations for the position of treasurer are being called for.

Nominations for other roles have been made and remain open also – please contact Clint if you’re interested.

- E-Bikes – At the last race meeting the E-bikes started after C-Grade. They were too fast. A decision has been made to start them after A-Grade. The next E-bike race will be 4 laps.
- Club members competing in Iconic Events – HMBA congratulates those riders who competed in the recent Pioneer and Cannonball events – awesome stuff guys.

### **Causey app trial**

The trial will begin in February for 3 months and at the end of the trial the club will get all proceeded minus pay pal fees for the donations.

We are happy to supply more info for anyone that is interested

### **Further Notices of Motion**

Call for motions from the floor.

Fire extinguishers for containers – Rick to obtain

Auscycle – MTBA members have voted yes to the merger. The merge is dependent on BMX and Cycling Australia voting outcome.

Overall results not showing on website – Josh to rectify ASAP. On that Clint needs to update the XC points score ! Hurry up Clint

### **Club events for 2019 and beyond –**

Discussion still required - 24hr race in 2020.

**T-Shirts and Riding kit** – T-Shirts ‘ 3 left but plenty of socks still available. Josh to organise a new run.

Next committee meeting 20<sup>th</sup> January 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 8.40 pm.