

# Hunter Mountain Bike Association (HMBA)

## MONTHLY MEETING

Date:	17/08/2020
Location:	Chateau Prior
Meeting Started at:	6.45 PM

Chairman – Clint Musgrove

Present: Steven Pryor, Coleen Kehoe, Rohan Betts, Rick Kehoe, Dean Kozlik, John Richardson, Josh Bridson, Mark Welsh, Phil Dunne,

**1. Registration of Members:**

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

**2. Apologies:** Dallas Barham, Alicia Reed, Andrew “Wild man” Hardy, Michael Clarke, Joel Davies

**3. Minutes of previous Meeting**

Acceptance of previous meeting minutes proposed by Clint and seconded by Mark Welsh, accepted by meeting

**4. Membership**

Current numbers are: 387 members. Influencing factors being no racing at Awaba due to Covid 19 restrictions.

**5. Monthly racing reports**

XC – No racing due to Weather conditions – Torrential rain in the week leading up to this race

DH – No racing due to weather conditions – Torrential rain in the week leading up to this race

**6. Build days –**

Build day held on the 30<sup>th</sup> to continue with Road gap trail, Josh and Rick to update progress.

**7. Financial Report**

Club account balance as at 31/7/2020 - \$21,899.78. P450 account balance as at 31/7/2020 - \$42,878.31

**8. Correspondence –**

MTBA affiliation documentation completed, submitted, paid and confirmed. HMBA is once again affiliated with MTBA.

**9. Advocacy**

Kurri Kurri.

Nothing to report this month.

Port Stephens – Wallaroo/Karuah.

Nothing to report this month.

Schools.

Nothing to report this month

Training, rider development and coaching

Nothing to report this month.

Women and Girls rides

MTBA has confirmed that there will be a Ladies coaching clinic facilitated by them at Awaba, Jason English will be the instructor

Media – Nothing to report this month.

**10. Adaptive MTB –**

Club members Andrew and Tony will travel to Tamworth in September to assist Hank compete in the Tamworth 5 hour. Andrew and newest committee inductee Mr Tony “Airtime” Edwards to give post event run down at next meeting.

**General business.**

- Discussion on Covid-19 implications. Thank’s from the club to Melissa for providing our Covid plan. This plan has been updated in readiness for our next club day on the 20/9/2020
- All MTBA National Cup races have been cancelled for 2020. The Club’s MTBA National Cup (Tier 2) event date will now be in 2021.

**Causey app**

New signs have been installed money still trickling in.

**Further Notices of Motion**

Call for motions from the floor.

Trail signage update – Both sponsors signs and trail markings are 99% complete and are looking fantastic ! If Rick would dig the holes where Coleen tells him to the process would be far quicker.

\*\*Fencing is now installed at Faulk line. Still to install Adaptive gate. Faulk line still needs bump rail on ramp section. Dallas to talk to John Philippa to arrange. Funds are approved.  
\*\*Has this item been actioned ? Dallas to follow up.

Toilets have had new maintenance plans written and published, Clint to instal in toilet block.

\*\*Coleen / Rick to approach Dane to install roofs on containers. Updated, has this item been actioned ?

**T-Shirts and Riding kit** – Plenty of socks still available. Josh reports that loose-fitting riding apparel is now available.

Josh tabled a new park tee shirt design and had samples made for display and comment. The new “Awaba MTB park” shirts look great and were very well received by all in attendance.

All agreed to place order for shirts and sell via web store.

**Grade flags for XC start** – Dean suggested the club seek options for “Grade flags” to allow easier and more organised starts during the Covid period. These flags would give clear indication for graded marshalling areas and allow Dean to see where everyone is without his glasses.

**Road signage** – Discussion was held with Mike Hill around road signage and markings for traffic control around Mt Faulk rd and the new trail entry points.

- Forestry has agreed to pay for road signage at
  - Park gate
  - Faulk line entry point
  - Road gap entry point
- During discussion an alternate climb was suggested by Mike, At the end of the tar there is a Forestry road / trail that parallels Mt Faulk, this may be an option to get riders off Mt Faulk rd. Mark our resident climber said he would do some investigation of condition and give comment.
- The question was asked “Are we planning an “In park” climb for Faulk line and Road gap access. Rick answered with “Yes” but acknowledged that there is many barriers to overcome with this, the main one being terrain and sheer angle of the hill.

**Club coaches grant** – Did we fill all spots ? Clint to check final numbers and advise.

**Road gap under pass** – The team of Ricky, Andrew and Dallas are scouring the second hand and excess building material market for suitably sized and priced bridge materials for a Monkey DH fly over at the road gap trail head. The three Amigos to advise if they were successful in their quest at the next meeting.

\*\*\*Note – Special attention must be paid to ensuring that the DH is out of action for the **shortest possible** time during these works. Ricky does not want a repeat of the XC tunnel whereby DH was closed for 12 months.

Thank you to our Host with “Tha” most Mr Steve Pryor for the use of Chateau Pryor for our club meetings.

Next meeting to be on 21<sup>th</sup> September 2020 – Venue is Chateau Pryor. Let Josh know you’re coming so he can order pizzas.

Meeting concluded at 8.30 pm.