

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting No: 12		
Subject	:Monthly meeting	Date : 6/12/2021
Held at	:Club Macquarie, Argenton	Ref. : HMBA– MOM - 012
Prepared by	: Steven Pryor	Issue date:

Attendees:
Warwick Turnbull, Steven Pryor, Mark Welsh, Dallas Barham, , John Richardson, , Dean Kozlik, Rick Kehoe

Apologies:
Joshua Bridson, Coleen Boyes, John Philippa, Greg Wilson, Tony Edwards, , Mick Bradford, Andrew Hardy, Sarah Booth, Clint Musgrove Phil Dunne Michael Clarke Mark Nelmes Tim Butler, Liam McGuire

- Legend –**
- For discussion at next meeting
 - To remain on minutes for future discussion if needed
 - To be removed from next minutes

Item	Action	By Whom	Status
1.0	Monthly Racing reports		
1.1	Cross Country – Racing on 21/11/21 – sponsored by Bay Bike Co. – cancelled due to weather Decided to have no Club XC Race in December due to G-Flow and load on volunteers	Phil Dunne	Ongoing
1.2	Downhill – Race day on 21/11/21 - Sponsored by Bay Bike Co. – cancelled due to insufficient entries on Friday	Sarah Booth	Ongoing
1.3	Dual Slalom. Last event May 2021. MC to update on future planned events. Nothing yet planned – next year.	Michael Clarke	Ongoing
1.4	Gravity Enduro. Limited to 120 participants. Next Round at Awaba –12/12/21. 2 buses have been booked. There will be trophies to be arranged by Mark N. Still need volunteers to help on the day – will be rotated around positions Entries to date:52 Concern about the pending weather. Decision to be made later in the week depending about how much rain we get. The consensus is that it shouldn't be too bad, and the preference is to run it if we can. Rick suggested covering the bus seats with garbage bags to keep them cleaner. Waz to get the garbage bags. 2 – way radios – Josh ??? Bunting needs to go up Saturday pm, and checked Sunday am. Clint has timing ready.	Mark Nelmes Mark Welsh Josh Bridson	

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1.5	Discussion on a process for postponing races. Suggested we try to move it one week then if not possible – cancel. Voted to trial the next time a race is cancelled.	Phil Dunne	For review in future
1.6	AusCycle starting National Cup in 2022. Discussion regarding changes to structure and arrangements. Will need to consider involvement in 2022.	Josh Bridson Mark Welsh	
1.7	Adaptive Race – January 2022 – combined with normal XC race as adaptive riders' preference is to be included and not race separate. 1 st race should be on the adaptive track Will look at incorporating into a couple of club races, maybe 3 throughout the year.	Josh Bridson Andrew Hardy	
1.8	Update on 2022 Calendar Jan 16 XC + DH + Adaptive - Awaba Feb 2, 9 & 16 XC Mid week evenings– Awaba Feb 20 – G-Flow Awaba March 20 – XC Singleton March 20 – DH Awaba April 17 - G-Flow Awaba May 15 – XC 3 hour at Singleton May 15 – DH at Awaba June 19 – XC Awaba July 17 – XC Awaba August 21 – XC Singleton August 21 – DH Awaba Sept 7, 14 & 21 – XC Night Racing Awaba Sept 25 – G -Flow at Awaba Oct 15 – Dungog G Flow Oct 16 – Dungog 3 hour Nov 20 – XC + DH Awaba Dec 11 – XC + DH Awaba	Phil / Sarah / Mark N	
2.0	Build Days and trail maintenance		
2.1	Update for last month – Nil		Ongoing
2.2	Next Build Day: TBA after lockdown. Probably after Christmas, but might be able to get stuff carried in before then. Plan: Finish off Biraban. (3 main areas).	Dallas Barham	

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2.3	<p>Wild Polly Trail – signage required. Bottom of Wild Polly still needs to be attended to – signage and diversion/return loop for ‘sessioning’. Diversion arrows in place to direct off Red Loop into Little Falcon for run down Wild Polly. Committee agreed to Rick’s request to install a story board at the start of Wild Polly. Rick advised that this was still in progress. Rick to continue at own pace.</p>	<p>Dallas Barham</p> <p>Rick Kehoe</p>	
2.4	<p>Junior downhill link– will require further discussion and planning.</p>	<p>Josh Bridson / Rick Kehoe</p>	
2.5	<p>Skills area. To be installed between the eastern carpark and the development trail. Previous quotes were in the order of \$14k, plus additional work by HMBA would total about \$20k. Committee agreement to proceed. December 13th is still the start date. Other aspects of this project to consider – moving of dirt to skills area location (?Nick/Justin), installation of posts/cable for safety (Rick/Jason), installation of other skills features, signage. Rick is co-ordinating this. In the future, we need to consider upgrading the carpark the same as done to carpark 1 to prevent silting up the skills area. Mulch – will be required. Dallas to look at using “Dirt Glue” the trial in the skills area. Dallas to check out the cost for 20 litres.</p>	<p>Rick Kehoe</p> <p>Josh Bridson Dallas Barham</p>	
2.6	<p>Maintenance discussion. Andrew to investigate Lake Macquarie Council appetite to pay for ‘upkeep’ / Maintenance – subsequently agreed for Josh to speak to Council and STILL needs to follow-up with email.</p>	<p>Josh</p>	
3.0	<p>Finance report.</p>		
3.1	<p>Club account balance as at 6/12/21: \$83k. Last months XC entries to be re-funded or possibly rolled-over till next race. \$20k set aside for Skills Area project Social media post to be put out re active kids through Auscycling. Waz will draft up some words. Budget for the G flow, based on 52 riders we should make about \$1200 profit. Sponsorship – Josh to forward to Rick a list of signs to be removed. (Sponsors that have not renewed.</p>	<p>Warwick Turnbull</p> <p>Warwick</p> <p>Josh / Rick</p>	
3.2	<p>Causey: Finished on 31/10/21 – changes to signage in process - (Coleen and Rick to assist). Old signs have been removed and will be updated with QR code for Paypal to our trail karma.</p>	<p>Joshua Bridson / Rick Kehoe</p>	

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4.0	Grants and Grant projects		
4.1	<p>Sunshades grant. Nearing completion</p> <p>Container Roof / Shelter Materials for the containers have been delivered and are stored at Wyee Transport. Engineering drawings now obtained. Simon Conway and Clint to construct and install – date TBA. Anthony (Facebook) has offered long-reach loader to assist with install Waiting till Covid allows us to proceed.</p>	Andrew Hardy / Josh Bridson	In process
4.2	Lake Mac Council – The club is still to use the \$7,000 grant provided in 2019 – was to assist in running a National Round at Awaba. Discussion on when has commenced – refer to comments regarding Auscycling National Series above.		In process
4.3	Grant Application - Regional Sport Facility Fund - \$500k – submitted 8/10/21 – decision by end of 2021 - if successful we will look to engage ‘arms-length’ project manager and trail companies based on quoting procedures.	Andrew Hardy / Josh Bridson	In process
4.4	Andrew to apply for a Grant for another shuttle trailer when a suitable option becomes available. Will need to be clear on preferred shuttle prior to submission – Josh discussed that preference would be to continue to sort issues on current trailer first – if still not satisfied then trial other options before settling on item to submit for grant.	Andrew Hardy	
5.0	Correspondence and notifications		
5.1	<p>Contact from Veteran’s Affairs. Discussion continuing with initial suggestion to include Come and Try Day in October – Committee agreed to proceed with this. There is also a build day aspect along with administrative participation potential. Contact is Rachel (Veterans Sports Australia). No further update this month.</p>	Josh Bridson / Sarah Booth	
5.2	<p>Riders and traffic on Mt Faulk road during events. Discussion that HMBA should consider getting some signage to make sure the riders use single file, keep left, etc. HMBA to consider policy or obtaining our own Traffic Management Plan to request Event Promotors to abide by.</p> <p>Rocky Trail had developed Rider and Traffic management plans for event on 27/28 November but did not implement as event was cancelled</p>		
5.3	Deaf Games 2022. They have approached the club to possibly use the club facilities. Planned dates are Easter long weekend in April 13th/14th – update from Dean?		

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5.5	Email from Jenny Rand – Project Planning on behalf of Lake Mac Council. Jenny currently working on her submission – waiting on Awaba Mountain Bike Park Masterplan from Josh – currently under review.		
5.6	Sports Grants – Coaches courses and shade structures. Need completion evidence.	Andrew Hardy	
5.7	Email from White Lightning Events – request approval for GE event on 6/3/22 Committee voted to approve – Josh has confirmed this – further planning to occur in January. Mark Nelmes can provide further info if needed	Josh Bridson	
6.0	Advocacy		
6.1	Feedback on Faulk Line from Adaptive Riders – Sebastian from Sargood on Collaroy still to attend for a walk through on the remainder of Faulk Line - waiting for meeting to discuss specific areas of concern - Update to be provided following meeting.		In process
6.2	Low bump rails required for Development trail bridges – to be completed as Committee / Volunteer project – Josh has requested feedback from Waz Turnbull in consultation with Chris (adaptive riding friend). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to review this at the weekend when we are out there. Dallas to take the lead. • It needs to be quite low. Should also be full length of bridge and not just corners. • Suggestion was PVC pipe – need to consider saddles/fixing to suitable height. • Dallas to look at “plastic wood” for use as side boards. 	Dallas	In process
7.0	Covid Plan		
7.1	Covid 19 requirements to be kept up to date by President. The most recent plan is still current and HMBA is officially a ‘Covid Safe business’.	Josh Bridson	Ongoing
8.0	Club merchandise		
8.1	Josh to manage T-Shirts. Trail jerseys delivered in October – a few more left – will be added to store. Suggestion that we do a new shirt design in the new year – maybe as a competition. T-Shirt – can people buy a T-shirt when entering a race? Clint said yes. Josh to look into it.	Josh Bridson	
8.2	Plenty of socks still available. Will look to have these out for sale at Race Days.		
9.0	Awaba Maps and Signs		

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9.1	Coleen was working on the large trail maps. Dallas to follow up re installation at future Trail Building Day. Need to include new trails – Michael Clarke to assist.	Josh Bridson / Dallas Barham / Michael Clarke	In process
9.2	Discussion on including GPS coordinates on all Awaba signs. General agreement. Michael Clarke to investigate further.	Michael Clarke	In Process
9.3	Additional Trail Sponsorship signs agreed to. Josh to coordinate with interested parties – locations TBA. Email hmbaweb@gmail.com if interested.	Josh Bridson	In Process
9.4	Trail counters. One on Development Trail was not working – update – we are going to send the 2 broken ones away for quote on repairing Main trail counter (incl Faulk Line): Will get update for next meeting following G-Flow Mike Hill trail counter (before tunnel on return): Working well – average 87 riders per day over past 2-3 months including wet weather	Steve Pryor	
10	Container security		
10.1	No issues		
11	General Business		
11.1	John P suggested constructing an area for people to sit and relax if they are not riding. John to knock up a design.	John Phillipa	
11.2	HMBA to form a Kids academy? Discussion has started – possibility of working in with Hunter Schools Academy with assistance from Jason English – more details to come	Josh Bridson	In process
11.3	Shuttle Companies at Awaba MTB Park: David Campling – approved and advertising dates. Hunter Shuttle Service: Up to date with Payment - Assisting on G-Flow as volunteers to drive shuttles		
11.4	H-Events – Re Westpac Chopper fundraiser – social ride more so than a race. Moved to 26/03/22.		
11.5	HMBA Riders Lounge going well – about 190 members. Suggestion that we have representatives at the race days to welcome new riders and provide an induction. Beginners Guides for XC and DH racing are almost done – thanks to new Member Ella H for helping with this	Josh Bridson	
11.6	Update on Coleen:		

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11.8	Discussion about recognising Jack Moir following EWS win: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestions include naming a section of trail after Jack, or similar. • Tim to take the discussion to the DH crew for suggestion. • ? Update 	Tim Butler / Josh Bridson	In process
11.9	Coaching - ?Connecting the idea with Jack Moir ("How to beat Awaba"). ?Update	Sarah Booth	
11.10	Tim has been approached by AusCycling who are looking for a club to host 2023 UCI Masters XC Marathon. ?Update from Tim	Tim Butler / Josh Bridson	
11.11	Tim – do we want to look at running EWS qualifying event? General support for this but would need to consider load on current volunteers and variety of tracks. ? Update from Tim	Tim Butler	
11.12	Dallas – Wants to have a sign at the front of the park that limits e-bikes to only pedal assist (not throttle controlled). Will need to look at definitions and existing signage available.	Dallas Barham / Josh Bridson	
11.13	Rubbish at carpark – Rick will have a clean up one day and will send invoice for tip fees.	Rick	
11.14	Little Falcon and S-Bend road need some work to control water flow. i.e. water bars required.	Rick	
11.15	There is potential for a flow track down the other side of Mt Faulk starting at "Jason Drive".	Dallas	
	Meeting concluded at 9:08pm		
	Next meeting will Monday 10/1/22 – 7.00pm at Club Macquarie Argenton		

Recorded on behalf of HMBA: Steven Pryor

Date: 6/12/21

Accepted on behalf of Committee: Joshua Bridson

Date: 10/1/22