

Mid Canterbury Mountain Bike Club Incorporated AGM 2012

Minutes of meeting held on 26th September 2012 at 7.30pm

Apologies: Martin Reid, Doug Lowrie, Martin Badham, Robin Jenkinson, Dell Phillips

Correspondence: No correspondence

Presidents Report:

Thanked everyone for attending the AGM, it has been another busy year.

The focus for the past 12 months has been on the development of a MTB facility close to Ashburton. A significant amount of track development has occurred during the past 12 months, this culminating in 10-12km of single track, above the bridge, and smaller sections of single track branching off the main trail below the bridge.

- ✓ Thank the Clubs main sponsors. Robbie's Bar and Grill, Lysaghts and Newlands Auto Electrical.
- ✓ Also the supporting sponsors McDonalds, Paul Wylie Cyclorama, Frontrunner, Greg and the team at Kelly's Fulton Hogan, ACL, Porter Hire, Westside Hire and all Others who have contributed.
- ✓ Just like to run through what the committee has undertaken since the last AGM.
 - Kerrin did a great job getting the membership cards and website up and running.
 - Chocolate fish race continues to be enjoyed by club members with varied formats and locations.
- ✓ Insurance is in place to cover club events.
- ✓ The second River Trail Challenge,
 - Provide over \$3,000 as the main club fundraiser.
 - Thank Corky for his help on the River Trail race committee.
 - Looking at a new event to replace The River Trail Challenge.
- ✓ Track development,
 - Work has continued with an extension from "The Bender" to "The Graveyard" where "Geoff's Hills" are nearing completion.
 - Forty metres of boardwalk is planned for this area.
 - The Track above the bridge has now been recognised as part of the AHRT (Ashburton Hakatere River Trails).
 - Thank Greg and Robin for their assistance on the AHRT committee.
 - The MTB club is widely recognised by the community as the driving force behind the development of the trails. At every meeting of the AHRT 5 to 6 items are reported as underway, planned or completed by the MTB Club.
 - Thank Geoff Evans for his work on the track.
 - The club needs to acknowledge the access that Harley Shearer provides, please show respect when using this area.
 - Thank members who have helped with working bees.
 - Greg Lysaght for his work in marking the track.

- ✓ In October 2011 the committee catered for the Ashburton Bridge club charity night. This provided \$750.00 which was used to purchase a Laptop and timing system for the club.
- ✓ September 2011 a club ride was held at Lake Clearwater 3 events were held which covered all abilities, thank Robin for organising this.
- ✓ January 2012 the club provided Marshalls for a round of the National Downhill series this was held at Methven.
- ✓ February 2012 a club ride was held at Craigieburn thank Craig Cullimore for organising this.
- ✓ May 2012 a club event was held in conjunction with the local "Wheels Week" thank Geoff and Rob for organising this.
- ✓ \$3,500 Community grant has been received from the council, this will be spent on single for the track and a container to store Club equipment etc in.

Finally I wish to thank all the committee; it has been a pleasure working with you all. I don't think I have ever been involved with such a dedicated hard working bunch, all of you without exception are probably too busy to be on a committee.

Financial Report:

See attached financial report. Proposed by Robert Newlands "That the financial report be accepted" seconded by Greg Lysaght. Passed by all present with a show of hands.

Thanked Mitch Bellow for his auditing of the Clubs financial records.

Moved by Robert Newlands that club subscriptions be set at \$25.00 for the 2012-2013 season, seconded by Janet Holmes. Agreed by a show of hands.

Subscriptions are now due and to be paid in full by the 1st November 2012

General Business:

- 1.) Proposed restructure of the club. (See attached proposal) The reason for the proposed restructure is to focus more on riding and set up a charitable trust that will seek funding and provide governance for the maintenance and development of The Ashburton River Trails.

It was proposed by John Corcoran that the AHRT Committee and the Ashburton District Council be approached to seek an expression of interest to move forward with a charitable trust for the purpose of maintaining and developing the Ashburton Hakatere River Trails for the community. Seconded by Aaron Jones.

Agreed by a show of hands.

- 2.) Selection of the committee members for 2012/13 year. Six members minimum are required to form the committee. The positions are President, Secretary, treasurer and committee members. John Corcoran has chosen to step down.
- i. Dell Phillips was nominated for president by Geoff Evans seconded by John Corcoran
 - ii. Robert Newlands was nominated for treasurer by Greg Lysaght seconded by Dell Phillips
 - iii. Kerrin Lester was nominated for Secretary by Dell Phillips seconded by Geoff Evans
 - iv. Alan Dowdle was nominated for the committee by Greg Lysaght seconded by Dell Phillips.
 - v. Greg Lysaght was nominated for Committee by Geoff Evans seconded by Craig Cullimore.
 - vi. Janet Holmes was nominated for the Committee by Greg Lysaght seconded by Robert Newlands
 - vii. Geoff Evans was nominated for the Committee by Dell Phillips seconded by Paddy Strange
 - viii. Craig Cullimore was nominated for the Committee by Neil Wylie seconded by James Donaldson
 - ix. Graeme Russell was nominated for the Committee by Greg Lysaght seconded by Craig Cullimore.
- 3.) It was proposed by Neil Wylie that the club would benefit from having a Public relation officer to further promote the club. It was agreed that this would be a good idea and would be taken to the next committee meeting.
- 4.) Question was asked could the Website be able to be used to post messages of rides etc by club members Kerrin will look into this.

The nominations for the committee were confirmed by a show of hands. This made a committee of nine

Meeting Closed at 8.55pm

Restructure of Mid Canterbury Mountain Bike Club

The focus of the MTB club committee since its inception 2 years ago has been the development of tracks and running events. The majority of the energy has been in the development of MTB tracks with a number of events being organised. It is acknowledged that a significant amount has been achieved in that time.

As discussed at the last committee meeting a proposal has been put forward aimed at improving services to MTB club members.

The proposal is based around two main objectives.

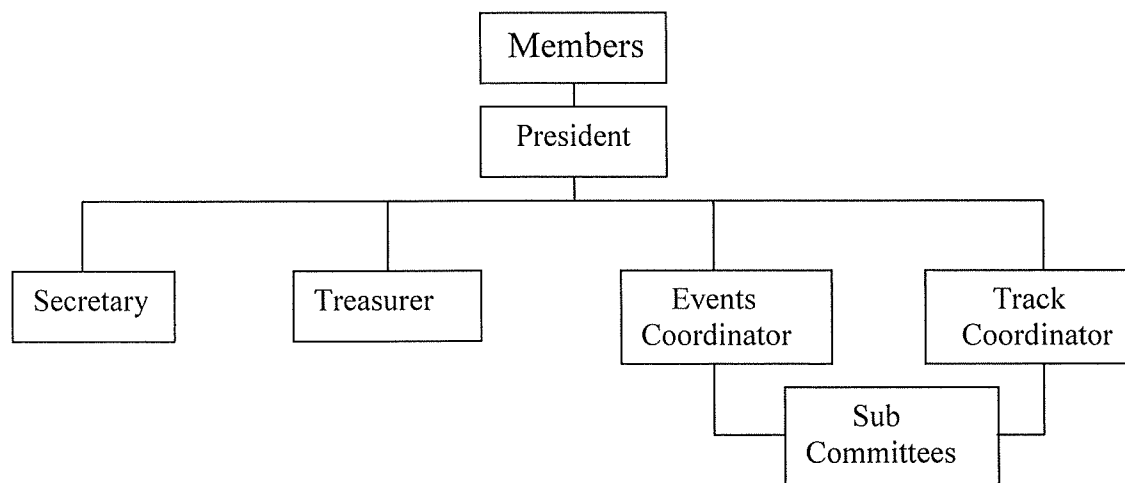
- 1.) A Mountain Bike Club that will encourage more people to become involved and active mountain bikers.
- 2.) Provide, develop and maintain trails and MTB tracks along the Ashburton River close to town.

To achieve the above it is proposed to set up a Charitable Trust that will provide funding to further develop and maintain the trails and tracks.

The structure of the Charitable Trust will be made up of 5 people representing the MTB Club and the Ashburton River Trails Committee. This will be responsible for providing Governance, attracting funding and releasing funds for the development and maintenance of the trails and tracks.

With the charitable trust being set up this will allow the main focus of the MTB club to encourage people to get out on mountain bikes. This will be achieved by providing a greater number and range of club events.

The proposed strategy for the MTB Club is as follows:



- Calendar to plan the year out.
- Role descriptions
- President to facilitate, guide, and stimulate
- Get more people helping **off** the committee

Summary

The aim of this proposal is to promote discussion that will allow the club to develop and become sustainable with the right people in the right places. The current committee has done a fantastic job to get to where the club is at.

The challenge is now to look forward and guide the club to the next level.