

## MWA Women's special sub-committee

Minutes of meeting held Wednesday 16.3.16

**Present:** Marilyn OHare, Kelly Dibjdahl, Paul Bagnal, Amy Brien, Chelsea Blakers & Tahlia Lang ( teleconference), Tracy Simpson, Jess Boujos.

**Apologies:**

**Visitors:** Mr Rick Gill, CEO MWA



Meeting open at 6.45 pm

- Welcome to the two new members Kelly and Marilyn

Welcome and introduction by Rick Gill

Overview of the MWA structure and vision to support women's participation. Discussion regarding current issues such as process for Champ regs and sup regs – MWA implementing process to ensure all sup regs with women's classes are sent to the MWA women's committee for endorsement. Discussion regarding focus areas, jnr girls, RR women's state champs and possibility of series rather than stand alone event, also regarding the women having to 'fight' for races every year and not just a standard commitment.

2. Previous minutes – accepted.

3. Business arising:

3.1 – incoming correspondence from WAMX /MX Panel

( requested advice if the correspondence was sent on behalf of WAMX or MWA MX panel as all members included in the email - no advice given). Letter and response also sent to MA Women's Commission Chair, Christine Knee.

- Discussion regarding response, concerns that women not treated better, 'interference' , questions asked if a sliding scale for prize money if full grids are not achieved for mx1 &2, mathematical calculations for women and quads not consistent, MA Commissioner concerned about the response Plans:

– continue to build women's mx to justify that mx needs to be more inclusive in polices.

- MWA new process regulation approval – MWA Women's panel to be included earlier

Action: response letter to be sent to WAMX and MWA MX Panel

Item for discussion	Action	who
<p>1. Women's participation: <b>1.1</b></p> <p>Disciplines: Enduro no report - contact made with Enduro Panel Winton Lawton and Jeremy Connor requesting advice on contact person from discipline -</p> <p>- MWA women stickers – Order placed with Nigel – 2 mtr package</p>	<p>Awaiting advice</p>	<p>TS</p>

<p>Road Racing: Numbers in women's production class growing – 12-14 racing the class for 2016.</p> <p>Verbal request received from RR panel member regarding capacity of the women's production class for 2016 – MCRC are offering a women's state championship in production class, first for WA. Club are considering it as a stand alone event as part of Kings of Wanneroo. – advice up to 300 cc capacity -Discussion with MWA CEO regarding costs involved to include the women as a series as they are already riding in the class – to just name a series. Decision to write to MCRC comp committee and RR panel to request consideration be given to making state champ series for women in RR prod class</p> <p>General – discussion regarding promotion of RR girls and class, state champs etc</p> <p>Jess attended PMH fundraising day, Billycart day at Cockburn, well received, lots of parents unaware that girls are able to ride a bike from 4 yrs in a safe environment. Minikana – to be actioned by MWA project officer - committee to work on more promotion - newsletter, media articles, stands at events such as York mc day, ASBK, XTrials etc</p> <p>Plan - to offer riding opportunities for women and to slowly build up the numbers, also continue to investigate opportunities at the RAC track for long term.</p>	<p>information on cost for supporting women's coaching day</p> <p>Letter to MCRC/ RRpanel</p> <p>Newsletter items, profiles etc</p>	<p>JB, TS</p> <p>TS</p> <p>JB, AB, TS</p>
<p>MX:</p> <p>➤ BSA interclub date 30 October suits, pencilled in. Application to be made for healthways funding for event Discussion re having some high profile riders attend – MWA media officer has made contact with Kawasaki state manager , requested to initiate discussions regarding Meg Rutledge attending. Tayla Jones unable to attend int 6 day</p> <p>Planning for 2016 events - Amy suggested committee need to have calendar produced so riders are aware in advance of dates / events. Feb 27<sup>th</sup> - Bunbury ride day – 23 riders, well received hot day. Thankyou sent to Sth west Yamaha and Bunbury mcc. \$10 owing to Bunbury mcc \$310 proceeds to bank</p>	<p>Liaise with MWA media officer</p> <p>To be added to newsletter</p> <p>Note to MWA finance</p>	<p>TS, PB, CB</p> <p>all</p>

<p>March 19<sup>th</sup> –Race coaching day – Byford - 16 riders confirmed. Funding from Bunbury day for coaching, MWA general revenue to be used for MWA rider fees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ MX state Champs jnr - clash of event with ORRC – will cause some riders not to be able to attend. Event to be advertised well – flyer to be made up, emailed out, request for support from project officer to support with calling riders</li> <li>➤ MX champs snr – see above re correspondence in – response to be sent. Discussion with MWA ED – plans in place for formal procedure for women’s committee</li> <li>➤ Jnr coaching days – request sent to Chidlow and Wanneroo ( no response). Plans to put in place some regular coaching mornings for the jnr girls to build numbers</li> <li>➤ Next ride day / coaching day – request to Coastal mcc – preferably before the state rnds</li> </ul> <p>Trials: - Contact made with Neill Price from Trials – media article completed, continue to liaise possible coaching</p> <p>Club also interested in holding women’s come and try day – able to have bikes available for women to try – to discuss further in the year.</p> <p>Speedway 2 snr riders, several jnrs, difficult to access smaller bikes for come and try. 2 events left for summer season</p> <p>Supermoto - Jess involved with club, trying to assist more girls to have a go – will continue to advertise, tyres available to put on mx bikes, leathers available.</p> <p>RACE team: Successful applicants – Joy Sharpe, Tahlia O Hare, Tahlia Lang. Finalising details of sponsorship package To hold media day etc photographer to be organised.</p>	<p>officer with remittance advice</p> <p>Promotion of event, flyer emailed out, MWA project officer</p> <p>ongoing communications with clubs – access to track, costs etc</p> <p>contact with Coastal mcc</p> <p>Committee to work hard to make all events successful in 2016</p> <p>Liaise with Neill re X Trials and come and try</p> <p>Advertise event</p>	<p>TS</p> <p>TS</p> <p>TL, ??</p> <p>TS</p> <p>All</p> <p>all</p>
<p><b>2. Coaching</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion – support for RR tuning day at RAC track to support women’s development - discussion with Jess on how to achieve – use com budget to support</li> </ul>	<p>Discussion with Jess re com support for RR coaching day at RAC – ongoing</p>	<p>TS / JB</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Enduro – coaching possibility – Ironstone have previously offered support for Enduro coaching day – to be explored - ongoing</li> <li>➤ Discussion regarding meeting with Jan Cooper, AFL Women’s program, recommended supporting good coaches to grow the sport. Committee noted women like Chelsea great asset to the sport Details of next coaching course to be sent to all</li> </ul>	<p>Ongoing research and contact with people to explore possibilities</p>	<p>TS , PB</p>
<p><b>3. women officials / volunteers/ coaches/ club volunteers</b></p> <p>Discussion regarding supporting the women behind the scenes . Example - MVic profiles women on their dedicated pages. Discussion regarding opportunities for funding for volunteers through Volunteering WA – possibly able to put on small event to say thanks/ reward women volunteers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Recognition awards –well received, ongoing project into 2016.</li> </ul>	<p>Investigate volunteer funding for event – ongoing</p>	<p>TS</p>
<p><b>4. Media</b></p> <p>MWA media officer promoting the women’s events – raising profile of women in the sport. Need to encourage reporting of events/ riders etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion regarding one f/b page – can MWA create one for all women</li> <li>➤ Newsletter – Amy happy to take on this role</li> <li>➤ Current calendar details – 2016 events - done</li> </ul> <p>Idea – poster at bike shops with contact /email details etc to promote women’s participation etc.</p> <p>Promo video – in production – needing more footage.</p>	<p>Continue to feed MWA media officer new articles. Chelsea continuing to add to fb page Discussion with MWA re women’s fb page News items to Amy</p> <p>Invite to ride day, coaching day, ax</p>	<p>All</p> <p>TS</p> <p>AB</p> <p>TS</p>
<p><b>5. Funding</b></p> <p>DSR grant – diversity/ inclusion – committee agreed application for funding to be made to support coaching – need to articulate costs – how to apply to all disciplines. Draft submitted to DSR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Supporting girls / women to attend national events in 2016 – fundraising - suggestion to hold several Bunning’s Sausage sizzle days to raise funds for national competition. Agreed by all as a means of raising funds Plan to hold one Sth West – Bunbury – Tahlia has made contact, letter to be sent, waiting for available dates one metro - Balcatta</li> </ul>	<p>Paul and Tahlia to organise</p>	<p>TS</p>

<p><b>6. General business</b></p> <p>➤ Portfolio areas – discussed regarding more members – Possibility of specialist areas being assigned</p>		
<p>Next meeting – Wed 20<sup>th</sup> April , MWA office, 6.30 pm Request for members to pass on apologies prior to meeting Meeting closed 9.15 pm</p>		