



MINUTES : RRAT MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 20TH MAY 2014

Members Present Pat Heyman, Christine Barton, Linda Lester, Mark Youman
Tim Hewitt, Karla Hewitt, Max Diplock, Rex Diplock,
Maxine Youman, Shane Dee, Michael Mountney, Michael Watts

Meeting Opens 7.10pm

Motion to accept Minutes Accepted Max Diplock Seconded Linda Lester

It is to be noted that a General Meeting was not held for the month of April so no minutes will be applicable.

Correspondence in -

1. Resignation Grant Stever
2. Resignation Christine Barton as Club Secretary
3. Notification from MQ – results of AGM – election of Enduro sub committee

Correspondence Out

1. Letter to Karting Club asking permission for RRAT signage to be erected.

Treasurer's Report

A bank summary was on hand for members to peruse. All outstanding invoices have been paid, however we are waiting for an invoice from Kart Club and QAS. Bank balance similar to this time last year.

Eftpos machine

Linda has looked into a few different internet providers. The club needs to weigh up the pros and cons with the services, taking into account \$400/yr hire plus transaction fees.

There is a new online nominating system becoming available, perhaps late July – as per MQ, which will replace Nominate, so this could be something the club should look into as everybody pays nominations on line and this would negate the use of an eftpos type machine. It would make the Competition Secretary's position so much easier as well. The club will make further enquiries with MQ.

RRAT Constitution

Linda has all the forms applicable to make the necessary amendments. Linda reads the new wording changes to the Constitution to the General Meeting -

(5/9)

Single meeting memberships will be accepted by the Club and are valid for one meeting only. Such memberships shall not hold voting rights.

(5.5)

Any member may nominate a member for Life Membership. The Executive Committee must consider the nomination at the next meeting of that Committee, and if in favour, recommend that the Life Membership be granted. This recommendation must then be tabled at the General Meeting of the Association and put to a ballot.

A vote was taken and accepted.

Transponders

RRAT members are entitled to free transponder hire. We will be taking the Transponders to Mareeba and Proserpine for all financial members to use so there will be no extra outlay. With regards to the Interclub, all RRAT financial members, regardless of who they are riding for, will not be charged the hire fee of \$15.

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Advertising – posters, Facebook, etc, all in place and getting good coverage. TV & radio being negotiated.

Sponsorship is all in place. Chasing extra support – if anyone knows of a business that would be keen to come on board – to contact Mark and Maxine Youman.

We have Clerk of Course and Steward for the event. Commentator booked.

Happy where everything is at this stage.

Rising Sun is the naming sponsor. Pat asks, if possible, we support Rising Sun as they support us. Maxine looking at T/Shirts for the event.

The printer and TV monitor are critical to our race days, especially for the TT in late August, so this issue needs to be addressed ASAP.

Club Practice on the 14 June ?? This will be run subject to a Practice Supervisor and First Aid Person/Persons becoming available. If nobody comes forward we may have to cancel, but it will be advertised that for this practice to go ahead, we will need some volunteers.

Invitation to RRAT from the Custom Bike and Car Show. Mark Youman happy to take a few bikes to advertise club and push the TT. Pat agrees that we need to publicize the TT as much as possible as it is our major event for the year.

A big thank you to Mick Watts for helping out at the first round of the GNRR. Jeanette Clifford and Venessa were both unwell and had to leave early, only for Mick and his wife, Vivienne, to take over the scoring system.

We do need a few more people to learn the system and help out. Must be >14 yrs as per MQ ruling.

In general discussion, the Motard section was again discussed. The club really needs to make a better dirt section. There were the suggestions of taking out jumps and making berms, entrance and exit of track, ?? jump in the middle. Also the deco hasn't compacted, by rights it should be rock hard, but this is not happening. If the track was hard, it would be so much better. This issue must be addressed before the TT and work will have to be done to improve that section of the track.

Pat asks Tim if the track can be changed. Tim said he would be inclined to change it. There should not be issues with track licences etc re modifications. Tim is looking into track plan/specifications. If this could be done before 5th July – Rd 2 GNRR, this would be a good outcome.

Sidecars are very appreciative with track time given however request that another practice be run after all the bikes have practised. Everybody agreed they were happy for the sidecars to be given an extra run.

GNRR Rd 1 – Pat said that the consensus was that everybody enjoyed watching the actual racing between the bikes, regardless of capacity. There were a few timing hiccups at the beginning however they were all resolved before racing began. Everybody is looking forward to Rd 2 in July.

Max Diplock is formally invited by RRAT to nominate for the Interclub free of charge, as a thank you for volunteering so much of his time to officiating for the club.

Pat thanks everyone for attending.

Meeting closes at 8.15pm.

Next RRAT Monthly Meeting Tuesday, 17th June at 7.10pm.