

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the FNQ Road Racing Club Inc.

Held at the Speewah Tavern on 27 May 2008.

Meeting chaired by Matthew Weinert (President)

Present: Matt Weinert Ray Hutchins
 Darryl Low Cheryl Low
 Tim Anderson Anne Anderson
 Dave Penna Kyle Batehup
 Tim Costello John Moses
 Greg Strettles Adrian Stafford
 Dean Datodi Colin Richardson

Apologies: Warren Akers Phil Veivers
 Dave Howitt Les Thompson
 Leonie Wittenberg Greg Forsyth

1. Meeting commenced at 7.45pm. Minutes from previous meeting 29 April 2008 read. Re para 7, Mini-Enduros, Greg Strettles advised that it was not he who proposed that 15 lap events be held at earlier times at race meetings. The secretary advised reference to Greg would be removed. The minutes were then accepted.

Moved: John Moses

Seconded: Colin Richardson

Business Arising from the Minutes

2. Licensed Officials. Jason Allen assisted at Townsville to gain practical experience. Ray Hutchins will apply through proper channels to be upgraded to Level 3 Clerk-of-Course.

3. Championship Events for 2008. Matt and Gary (Ellem) haven't heard from M/C Sportsmen re Round 3 of the 250 4 stroke championship.

4. Makotrac Race Day Canteen Arrangements. Horst will open canteen for the interclub event and will open for other events if we can guarantee 20-30 riders plus a few spectators.

5. Raffle. The brush cutter offered by the lawn mower shop in Mareeba is now a \$100 voucher to be raffled off at One Hour event.

6. Supermoto 09. Following on from discussion at the previous meeting, the matter is progressing as follows:

- Horst (Makotrac owner) is in favour.
- He is amenable to putting in a dirt section.
- Greg Strettles is to write to Townsville and M/C Sportsmen motard competitors with a proposal and draft arrangements to get their agreement to participate.
- Greg is also to provide the club secretary with a sitrep on progress.
- Secretary to write formal letter to Townsville MCC detailing what is planned.

7. Website. Now running better. We have a new host and are paying \$55 per annum. One of our sponsors is under new management and may review sponsorship.

Treasurers Report

8. At the 19th May balance was \$3886.74 after allowing for payment of outstanding commitments. Accepted.

Moved: Dave Penna

Seconded: Ray Hutchins

Correspondence Received

9. MQ sent their April club mail out. Flyer from Top Rider Road Race School on Juniors Course. Flyer from Dept Sport and Recreation for Workshop on Succession Planning.

New business

10. Club Equipment.

- Large Esky – Dave Penna will donate an old one he doesn't use
- Shade Awnings – We have one:
 1. Possibility of two from Linc Biggins (Scootaco).
 2. Need two more – mower shop at Mareeba has camping gear. Greg Strettles to find out where the donated one was bought, then two more to be purchased.

11. Interclub Captain. Darryl Low nominated as club captain to select FNQ teams for the interclub event. Max of five riders per team in each class

12. Club Banner. Greg Forsyth is planning to make a banner for the club to display at the track. He wants to know if anyone has any canvas available. Colin Richardson said he had some canvas he could make available.

13. Motards. Adrian asked for clarification on the rationale re motard scoring in club events. The secretary advised that we cannot include motards in Formula 3 scoring, but if we scored the motards separately in Formula 3 as well as in the motard class then, at a typical club day, they would be scored over twice the races as the other classes.

14. Rodeo Parade. Matt asked whether there was any interest in participating (by riding race bikes) in the parade to be held in Mareeba on the Rodeo weekend. We need to know when the Rodeo people need to know by?

15. Supermoto Supp Regs. Greg Strettles wondered why the S1, S2 and S3 events are classed as championships, whereas other events (eg Veterans) are just support.

16. Tyre Warmers. Adrian commented that there was a need to clear up the debate on this matter and get it out of the way. This prompted extensive discussion. The outcome was a motion to the effect that submissions for and against the use of tyre

warmers at the Makotrac should be submitted to the club secretary by the next monthly meeting (24 June). These should be specific as to problems and ways around them. The submissions would then be available (on the website) for perusal and comment, after which a vote (poll of members) would be held. Carried.

Moved: Darryl Low

Seconded: Adrian Stafford

17. Advanced Officials Seminar. Ray Hutchins advised that he, Warren Akers, and Milton Carroll attended. Amongst other things, attendees gained some insight into better pit arrangements, particularly the splitting of the area into pit area, and pit paddock – where certain rules might be relaxed somewhat. Any change in arrangements would need to be submitted to MQ. The aim is a reduction in the area of responsibility. Ray will draw up what is proposed for further consideration.

Ray also advised that he is now on weekend call for work, so it will be necessary to have back-up provisions in place when he is acting as a key official in case he is called away on duty.

Meeting closed 9.25 pm.

(Signed) Tim Anderson (Secretary)