

Minutes of the Road Race Sub Committee meeting held On Saturday 11th July 2015

Attendance: Tom Williams, Matthew Weinert, Tim Hewitt, Lance Saunders and Dave Fuller.

Item	Issue	Discussion (Include sufficient detail to allow the matter to be understood by a 3 rd party)	Action & by whom
1.	Welcome & Apologises		
		Meeting held after Face to Face meeting at Kedron Wavell Services Club, Chermside – commenced at 12:55pm. Present: Lance Saunders, Matt Weinert, Tim Hewitt, Tom Williams and Dave Fuller. MQ President Jim Feehely attended as a visitor.	All
2.	Approval and Confirmation of previous minutes		
		MOTION 1 “That the minutes of the Road Race sub-committee meeting held in June, 2015, is a true and accurate record of that meeting.” Approved by all.	N/A
3.	Reports		
3.1	Finance Report	No Finance report	
3.2	Steward’s Report	North Qld Interclub round 2 – 27 th June by Gary Ellem– noted	N/A
4.0	Business Arising from previous minutes		
4.1	Juniors riding in juniors and seniors classes At the same meeting	As per directions from MQ’s board we have sought opinions from clubs on this proposal. There has been feedback largely from RRAT and some of their members mostly against bringing this rule in. Only one other club has replied so far and they were in favour of it. Jim Feehely advises that the MQ board is unlikely to uphold this but will recommend it goes into the sup regs of club’s meetings if they want to prevent the cross entering of juniors from taking place. He suggests we should let the clubs work out what works for them and make their own decision. We support this suggestion now. It should be noted that this has already been discussed by the MA Road Race Commission who have endorsed the proposal and have put it to MA’s board.	MQ office, clubs and MA

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5.0	Development and Planning	Consider the matters set out in schedules 1 & 2 of the MQ committee and subcommittee guidelines (attached)	
5.1	Changes to Scrutineering Procedures	<p>Self-scrutineering has been suggested and therefore discussed. It has been noted that this would be more complex to implement in Road Racing than some other disciplines. A whole new mindset on the topic of scrutineering is required to make this happen.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If it were to happen there would have to be post race impounds so the opportunity for other riders and officials would exist. - Penalties would have to be harsh – i.e. exclusion for making false declarations. - Officials would need to be prepared for more protests, in fact they would have to be encouraged. - Safety gear would still need to be scrutineered. - Pit lane exit spot checks would have to be happening and there would have to be a proper dummy grid. - We'd need just as many or more scrutineers as we currently use so regular spot checks could happen throughout the meeting. - We would still need to scrutineer beginner's bikes. - There would need a comprehensive scrutineering form signed. <p>At the moment general opinion seems to lean towards holding the scrutineers responsible for safety and eligibility issues.</p> <p>Overall we are supportive of this, as it could actually work to make the situation safer in the long run. The onus for compliance is shifted to the competitor and the whole dynamics of the issue of safety and eligibility changes.</p> <p>Scrutineer's opinions should be sought prior to any changes being made to the current situation.</p>	Further discussion to follow
6.0	General Business and Correspondence		
6.1	1-10 plates	<p>There has been a request from Motorcycle Sportsmen's race secretary if 1-10 cplates could be issued per class instead of overall for road racing. It would create too many numbers to be issued and confusion is likely to ensue when riders are cross entered between classes. Road Race Sub Committee don't support this proposal due to logistics.</p>	N/A
6.2	Proposed change to sub-committee nomination and election	<p>We agree with the concept of no longer voting in members. We await further information on the way it will work.</p>	MQ

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6.3	Changes to MQ Awards Night	We are happy to see it changed. We will work on our criteria to pick our top 3 at upcoming sub-committee meetings. The night needs streamlining and especially some way of getting attention when someone is speaking. To make significant changes like this will raise the profile of the sport.	MQ
7.0	Specific issues for board or office	Please include in this section a clear statement of each matter the committee or subcommittee wishes to refer to the MQ board or the MQ office for action.	
7.1	Supp Regs for approval	Pirelli QRRC and Southern Downs Challenge Round 4 Regs, 1 st and 2 nd August – Motorcycle Sportsmen – The addition of item 25, Parade Laps is approved. Regs were previously approved. Whitsundays Gold Regs 5 th and 6 th September – Approved with minor changes. Townsville TT, 28 th to 30 th August Regs – RRAT – Changes to awards presentation info in line with new format for MQ awards night. Regs were previously approved.	MQ
7.2	Regrading	No regrading this month.	
8.0	Next Meeting		
8.1	Date proposed	The next scheduled Road Race subcommittee meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 18 th August, 2015, commencing at 18:30pm. Meeting closed at 13:55pm.	All Sub Committee members