

Minutes of the Road Race Sub Committee meeting held Tuesday 15th March 2016

Attendance: Matt Weinert (MW), Tim Hewitt (TH), Tom Williams (TW) and Lance Saunders (LS).

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 on Skype– commenced at 0600. Dave Fuller contributed earlier then sent his apologies.	All RRSC
2.	Approval and Confirmation of previous minutes		
		MOTION 1 “That the minutes of the {insert sub-committee} meeting held October, 2015, is a true and accurate record of that meeting.” Passed by all present.	N/A
3.	Reports		
3.1	Finance Report	No finance report	N/A
3.2	Steward’s Report	Steward’s report from Gregg Smith for Southern Downs Road Race Series Round 1 (12 th – 13 th February) – Noted.	N/A
4.0	Business Arising from previous minutes		
4.1	N/A	None	
5.0	Development and Planning	<i>Consider the matters set out in schedules 1 & 2 of the MQ committee and subcommittee guidelines (attached)</i>	
5.1	Yamaha R3 cup	Yamaha have started an ASBK class, the R3 cup, and have offered an attractive deal on race prepared bikes for those intending to do the series. We have approached John Redding of the Yamaha race team to try to get this deal to be made available for state level riders as well. Spoke to Redding and he said to talk to Steve Cotterel of Yamaha, and he said we’d have a good chance as ultimately they want to see more bikes out there. (Late note: We were about to follow this up with Yamaha and have already heard back via Peter Doyle that they are prepared to honour the same deal on the purchase of the bikes for use in State and club championships, on the condition that the rider enters at least one round of ASBK. Those interested are to contact John Redding of Yamaha Racing direct.	TW

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6.0	General Business and Correspondence		
6.1	Suspension Changes for Production class	<p>The MA bulletin on 10th March advising of permitted changes to Production class front and rear suspension was noted, and agreed with by the RRSC. Suspension components are now cheaper and good suspension can make the bike safer to run at speed, and also gives rise to learning setup and treating the machine as a race bike not a commuter, without great cost.</p> <p>Considering the R3 bikes mentioned above basically qualified as Production racers except already have these suspension modifications allowed, this will allow them to run in their current form in any Production class races.</p>	N/A
6.2	Qld Historic Road Race Championship	<p>The Motorcycle Sportsmen have applied to run the Historic Championships this year, in conjunction with the Masters of Morgan Park. This sub-committee endorses their application as they have done a great job with Historics in the past and we believe they are well placed to do that again.</p>	MQ events
6.3	Proposed changes to Sub-Committee structure	<p>We support the changes that have been proposed by the board and offer comments on it as requested:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change is needed because currently some of the current MQ Committees seem dysfunctional / inactive. 2. It would appear that some subcommittees have had members who are only there to promote their own – or Club’s – agenda, and are not interested in the good of all members. 3. Different Sub-committees have different roles – for example, the MX Sub-committee co-ordinate and run the various State series (Sunshine State, CQ and TNQ series, which involve up to a dozen clubs), and have their own budget. <p>We (the RR Sub-committee) perform the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Supp Regs • Grading • Contribute to establishment of machinery specification rules for non-GCR classes • General liaison with Clubs/MQ • Monitoring / reporting of local activity / development within the sport • Contribute to selection of various achievers for awards etc. <p>We don’t promote specific events nor do we actively keep a budget.</p> <p>3. The appointment of Sub-committee members, rather than by election, has been discussed by the MQ Board for some</p>	MQ Board

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		<p>time. The Board believe that the ability to appoint members will promote population of committees by persons who might not otherwise nominate but will genuinely offer value to the organisation. We agree and add that this will remove some of the campaigning that we have seen in the past to get people onto a sub-committee solely to further a particular interest.</p> <p>4. Supp Regs Panel – this appears to be a work in progress. Tim nominated for this and was selected, however has not been briefed yet on his role, and our sub-committee are still reviewing Supp Regs as always.</p> <p>5. The previous Historic Sub-committee while part of their role was to look after the interests of Historic Road Racing, and yet their active involvement was limited. We believe a better solution would be to have a member from the historic ranks on the Road Race sub-committee.</p>	
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	Supplementary Regulations for approval	Various Supp Regs have been approved since last meeting. Most recently was the Whitsunday Closed to Club Championships regs for rounds 1 to 4. These were approved with changes made, and with notification to the club that they cannot run any rounds in anticlockwise direction until the track has been inspected and the licence amended to include that as an additional track layout.	MQ events
7.2	New GM	Congratulations to Kim Rowcliffe on the new role of General Manager of MQ and we look forward to working with him in that capacity the future. Thanks also to Rob Ferguson for his efforts and his support in his time as General Manager.	N/A
7.3	Yamaha R3 Cup	Help may be needed from MQ's media officer to more widely publicise this deal.	MQ media
7.4	Grading	Martin Lloyd has applied for a grading. After consideration the RRSC has decided his grading at this stage is to be D grade. He will be contacted by us to explain.	TW
8.0	Next Meeting		
8.1	Next meeting	<p>The next scheduled Road Race subcommittee meeting is to be held on 13th April, 2016, commencing at 1800.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 1841.</p>	All RRSC