

**Notes of the Speedway Subcommittee Meeting
held on Friday 17th March 10am at the MQ Office**



Present :- Kim Rowcliffe, Robyn Snow, Tracey Tunstall

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 1st September were noted.

From those minutes -

- 3.1 current committee to honour the agreement made by previous committee to pay half the cost of drug testing at North Brisbane meet. Nth Bris to submit invoice for payment
- 5.1 Race Bibs – follow up to be conducted on getting quotes for 3 sets of Race Bibs (18 of) to be used for Qld State Championships. Bibs to have MQ logo and can have a sponsor if one is found. Robyn to follow up
- 5.3 Direct crediting of event prize money – it is recommended that there be no direct crediting from MQ. Clubs are responsible for getting money to riders – not MQ, therefore if a rider is owed money and leave then it is their responsibility to contact the club and arrange for money to be transferred. It is a matter between clubs and riders – MQ have enough to deal with without having to handle this.
- 5.4 Mechanics Licence – reiterate to clubs that if there is no mechanics licence then there is no entry into the pits. Some clubs are charging extra (\$15) and having people sign a club form to say they are not covered by club, sport or MQ for anyone or anything. It would be best if that form is blank (no logo of club or MQ). The subcommittee can draft a form if board feels it should be generic.
- 5.5 State titles should be open to all Qld riders. Recommendation that nominations are open to Qld home state riders for a certain time (eg two or three weeks) then considering if there are any positions still available it could then be opened up to others.

New Business -

Subcommittee Funds :- MQ explained that the subcommittee has money in their account. Discussion on how that money can benefit speedway (possibly speedway event kit, grants for development). How can the committee continue to generate an income? Perhaps model speedway on the dirt track model (MQ to send through)

Subcommittee Members :- MQ will contact Dan Conway to gauge his interest in still being part of the committee. It is possible that board member Lisa Fox (already appointed to committee) become a short-term member so decisions can be made. Suggestions for further members are Michael Anderton, Steve Bignall and Bill Warwick-Day. Robyn to ring these 3 to gauge their interest. If they are interested they will need to email Kim at MQ (and cc committee in) with their expression of interest. Teleconferencing can be used for future meetings if needed.

MQ Speedway Subcommittee Facebook Page :- may be a positive option for the publication of committee endeavours

State Ranking System :- club committees to email subcommittee with 1st to 4th placings for each (finals) event so that a State ranking system can be kept. This will be used especially for nominations for end of year awards.

Steward Referee Reports :- from club days to be submitted to subcommittee as requested so that they can be read and any notable points be taken from them to action.

Race Secretary Handbook :- to be compiled for any new rulings that are speedway specific.

Upgrading of Race Secretaries :- Clarify that the full process is being followed for the upgrading of race secretaries to level 3.

Supplementary Regulations :- Ipswich, Maryborough and Kingaroy have all been submitted since beginning of 2017. Maryborough and Kingaroy have been approved. Ipswich still has a couple of items that need to be clarified.

Ipswich Track Licence :- there needs to be a follow up on recent track inspection following a recommendation by Barry Newtown. Subcommittee to also check with MQ that all tracks have been licenced and inspected for 2017. Guidelines need to be updated so that this occurs every year not every two years.

Junior Development Fund :- is open and all subcommittees can apply.

One Day Licence :- clarification that this can be used at any event for a cost of \$75

State Titles Expression of Interest :- U16's 125cc, U16 125cc Pairs, U16 250cc, U21 Solo, 500cc Solo and sidecars. Needs to be sent to each club (Ayr, Pioneer Park, Kingaroy, Maryborough, North Brisbane, Ipswich, Cairns and Hatchers) after board meeting 21st April with a closing reply date of 21st May. This will allow time for subcommittee to review and put recommendations to board (if required). This will then allow clubs sufficient time to secure sponsorship and support to run these events once they have been awarded.

Meeting closed 11.15am with next meeting to be Friday 21st April. Time to be clarified once we know if there are new members to be attending.