

## HBMTBC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 2011 MINUTES

7.00pm, WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2011 – Held at East Pier, Ahuriri, Napier

**Attendance:** Carl Larsen, Greg Margerison, Scott Richardson, Gavin Brock, Liz McKay, Madeline Taylor, Shaun Hodges, Hamish Schwass, Greg Taylor, Morgan Taylor, Ross Mepham, Kevin McCarthy, Mike Howard, Brendyn White, Vicki Butterworth, Hilton Taylor, Luke McCarthy, Brian Fisher, Steve Sheard, Don Bricknall, Mark Summers, Maree Nilsen, Joanne Lynch, Lorna Brindle, Peter van der Stam, Brent Carrad, Richard Mills, Will Workman, Jay Barrett & Graeme Barrett.

**Apologies:** Dave Gordon, Malcolm Vernon, Anna Bland

**Previous Minutes:** Minutes from 2010 AGM, held at East Pier on Wednesday 7th July. Briefly summarized by Don for those who haven't seen the minutes, or who were not present at last year's AGM. Don accepts as true & correct with no matters arising.

**Power-point Presentation of all reports:** All summarized briefly by Don (*refer to the full reports in separate attachment*)

- **Chairperson's Report**
- **Treasurer's/Financial Report**
- **Funding Report**
- **Youth & Development Report**
- **Parks Report**
- **Marketing Report**
- **Events Report**
  - ✓ A club member & doctor after being roped into helping at the 2011 NZ MTB Cup (& enjoying it), has offered to help at major club events if the club purchase a Trauma Kit, still looking for one at a suitable price.
- **Volunteers Report**
  - ✓ Vicki has prepared a list of all volunteers who have helped out at club run events & trail building days over the last 12 months. Those on the committee get a complimentary free membership for the time they serve on the committee & event volunteers – if they help at 3 or more events within a membership year also get a complimentary free membership. Vicki's list shows a total of 20 people who qualify. She will make contact with each of them.
- **Social Report**
  - ✓ Vicki suggests for future social trips, especially rides that go into remote country, that the club purchase a medical/emergency kit.
- **BikeNZ Report**
  - ✓ Don notes that only about 24 people (nationwide) in total have registered to date, for the MTBNZ conference in CHCH at the end of this month. Don also suggests that this event, that we held in Winter 2009 is something that this club could take ownership of & run annually, or every 2nd year.
  - ✓ Don, Greg & Hilton attended the MTBNZ Strategic Plan meeting in Rotorua a couple months ago, where it was established from the BikeNZ delegates that BikeNZ doesn't really know much about MTBNZ !!! & they were surprised to find that 100% of riders 'want more trails'. SPARC also attended that meeting & noted that they see a great future in Recreational MTB'ing.

**Memberships** – Officially reached 1636 (yellow tags) for the 2010-2011 year, which is 220 less than the previous year & over 430 less than our record year in 2009. Don noted that during this time, that a good number of donations have been made with the membership application.

### General comments from the floor?

*Forest Search Policy* – Don suggests that this club needs to look into setting up a 'Forest Search & Rescue' group, as with the club growing in size & spreading out over large areas, that one day it's going to happen and an injured or lost rider is going to need help.

*Easy Access into Forests* – Lorna asks if it's possible, or been looked into any possibility of getting into the forest easier for the younger kids & older generation riders, in regards to lifting bikes over fences/gates? Carl responded with the fact it's private land, trying to keep out vehicles & keep in animals, that it's near on impossible to have an alternative to what we currently have.

*Pukeora* – Ricko applauds the excellent work the club have done with the creation of Pukeora Hill MTB Park & especially with the 4 Hour Relay

*Trails* – Joanne made acknowledgment of the excellent work done by the *Parks* crew of re-opening all the trails after last years logging.

## Election of Officers:

*Chairperson* – Don Bricknall the only nomination - Don accepts position

*Secretary* – Carl Larsen the only nomination - Carl accepts position

*Treasurer* – Will Workman the only nomination - Will accepts position.

## Self-election of committee:

- Don asked for those wanting to go on the committee/sub-committees to raise their hand. All same as previous, except addition of Peter & Lorna.
- Vicki stands down from the committee & her Volunteer managers role, as does Anna (Social) & Emma (Funding). Vicki will attend occasional meetings as the BikeNZ rep.
- Lorna will step into the *Volunteers* manager's position & Peter into the *Social* managers position


The annual "**Merv Cameron Memorial Club Participation Trophy**" was handed back in by 2010 winner Kevin McCarthy & for his huge amount of efforts on trail work at Eskdale over the last 12 months, including organising & running a new event, the trophy this year is awarded to Brendyn White.

## Summary by the Chair

- ✓ Don notes that the Youth & Development sector needs a lot of work, but most importantly for someone to step up & take charge of it to get it going, as we have plenty of young riders at all levels from beginners to the best in the world in this club & we need to do something.
- ✓ Members have received lots of excellent comments locally & around the country from other riders hearing about our club, about the great website & quality communications via the weekly emails, to the point people from other regions know more about what's happening in HB than what's happening in their own region.
- ✓ Don & Hilton have been discussing about setting up a "National Ticket to Ride" where a rider purchases a ticket which gains them access into various MTB venues around the country including local info, etc (all depending on who comes on board). It would be a MTBNZ level run thing.
- ✓ Don noted that Jeff Carter (MTBNZ president & trail builder contractor) could build another Rotorua for approx. \$300,000 & with everyone wanting more & more trails, councils & DOC are slowly seeing the light and opening up areas for MTB trail development. Coppermine in Nelson is another area where the Nelson City Council are funding the development of trails – but the councils in Hawkes Bay haven't done anything much here!
- ✓ Don noted that the Taupo Council is the countries #1 as far as supporting & funding (to the tune of well over \$100,000+) the development of cycling trails around the region.
- ✓ Don noted that if we didn't require to be members to access Eskdale, then we would struggle to reach 200 members!
- ✓ Don finished off with noting that club member Nicky Dockary has built some of the most popular & well ridden trails at Eskdale, such as Bolt, Zoom & Maxxis & she is keen to build more, but in her own time – which is excellent stuff – we need more members like her, as trail building is hard work.

Meeting closed at 8.00pm

This document is a true and accurate record of the Annual General Meeting held on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.

Signed:   
Name: Carl Larsen  
Position: Secretary  
Date: July 6<sup>th</sup> 2011