

Tasman Wheelers Cycling Inc
Annual General Meeting – Thursday 29th June 2023
Richmond Library 6.00 pm

Introduction and Welcome

President Peter Ogilvie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Present: Peter Ogilvie (President), Donald MacIntosh (Secretary), Chris Scott, Peter King, Brad Collins, Roy Courtney, Malcolm Saunders, Ian Worthington, David Loe, Ritchie Howes, Steve Brough, Grant O’Fee, Aage Melis, Christine van Hoppe, Karl van Hoppe, Brian Samuels, Roger Bates.

Apologies

Trevor Cameron, Shane Moreton, Murray Cameron, Symon Mitchell, Ray Hewlitt, Dan Waluszewski, Ari Scott, Peter Rigg

Obituaries

Garry Overend was remembered as a greatly respected rider both as a competitor and as a person. His family much appreciated the support they received from the whole riding fraternity.

Confirmation of Minutes from the AGM of 13 July 2022

Moved: Chris Scott

Seconded: Brad Collins

That the minutes be taken as read and approved. Passed.

No matters arising.

Presentation and Adoption of the President's Report

The President read his report to the meeting acknowledging the ongoing support of the Club Patron and Life Members and covering all aspects of the past season and the club's future prospects.

Moved: Dave Loe

Seconded: Ritchie Howes

That the Presidents Report be adopted. Carried.

Presentation and Adoption of the Annual Accounts

Donald MacIntosh tabled the Annual Accounts which he had obtained from the accountants RWCA this morning. With insufficient time to confirm their accuracy and make corrections it was noted that a couple of minor adjustments will be necessary but that the accounts do appear to be substantially correct.

Although a cash profit of \$4,467 has been recorded, after non-cash expense (depreciation) has been deducted the result is a loss of Total Club Equity of \$6,859. While losses can be absorbed for some time due to our healthy reserve in the bank, we need to avoid the club finances being run down over the long term.

With club expenses being held down to acceptable levels, we need to increase club revenue. This could be achieved by further sponsorship, grants, increasing club subscriptions, increasing race fees or boosting club membership levels. Preferably the latter.

Moved: Chris Scott

Seconded: Steve Brough

That the Annual Accounts be adopted subject to minor corrections being made by the accountants. Carried

Presentation and Adoption of the Budget for 2023/24

Donald MacIntosh tabled a budget for the ensuing year. It had been hurriedly tweaked to accord with the Annual Accounts received this morning. It records a likely cash profit of \$2,478 and after depreciation a loss of \$4,422. Bearing in mind previous comments re ongoing losses it was mentioned that these figures could be substantially affected negatively by anticipated costs of renewing STMS qualifications in the light of new legal requirements.

Some discussion of this matter took place with Brian Samuels suggesting running races unofficially without the need for TMP's and qualified STMS officers. It is likely some clubs around the country are doing just that. The incoming committee will be having to research this issue promptly before our present qualified warrants expire in November.

A suggestion was to look at grants to cover this expense. Peter Ogilvie spoke about further sponsorship as well.

Moved: Brad Collins

Seconded: Steve Brough

That the 2023/24 budget be adopted with acknowledgement of the possibility of further expense re above. Carried.

Election of Officers and Committee Members

Moved: Brad Collins

Seconded: David Loe

It was proposed that the following nominees are elected to office:

President – Peter Ogilvie

Vice-president – Peter King

Secretary – Symon Mitchell

Treasurer – Donald MacIntosh

Carried.

Moved: Brian Samuels

Seconded: Ian Worthington

Proposed that the following members be elected to committee membership:

Chris Scott

Dave MacManus

David Loe

Roy Courtney

Brad Collins

Dan Waluszewski

Carried.

Appointment of Account Reviewer

Moved: Peter King

Seconded: Chris Scott

Proposed that RWCA be appointed as Account Reviewer for 2023/24.

Carried.

Confirmation and Adoption of New Constitution

With the passing of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 it became necessary to adopt certain clauses into our constitution. For example: a Procedure for Conflict Resolution, and a Distribution on Winding Up Clause change.

It became an opportunity to update our whole constitution. This was done and the committee approved the new one for adoption at this meeting.

The new constitution has been advertised and available on the club website for some time along with an explanation of the changes made from the old constitution to the new one.

The new constitution cannot be registered with the Incorporated Societies Registrar until 1 October 2023. The present one remains in force until it is registered.

It was proposed that the new constitution be adopted in its entirety.

Moved: David Loe

Seconded: Peter King

General Business

The presentation of the George Bennett Trophy for Most Improved Rider was discussed with several worthy recipients considered.

Moved: Peter Ogilvie

Seconded: Brad Collins

That the trophy be awarded to Lyn Richardson for his accelerated progress through the grades this season. Carried.

Discussion took place over the use of the Village Cycles sponsored products for prizes. Brad Collins thought that the Tasman Classic and the Junior Tour Series would be an appropriate use to promote the club.

The Tasman Classic course was discussed as to whether it would remain the same as last year. It was considered likely. However, the same course was proposed for the cancelled Junior Tour Event but considering this involves road closures it is not considered appropriate for a National Event.

Christine van Hoppe asked whether the Winter Points Series would be resurrected next year as it encourages riders to keep turning up each week. The meeting received the idea favourably, but perhaps including a mix of events like this year as well. This led to Ian Worthington asking whether any new members have been gained from the running of the gravel rides. No new members have come from this but Brad Collins will moot this with the riders when he next joins in on a ride.

Donald Macintosh said we should be a little circumspect in touting the rides as for all levels. His experience has been that the faster riders do have to wait some considerable time on occasions for slower riders. This is to their credit but three riders were left on their own at the last event. Donald suggested that two groups may be the best option where some riders are lagging and a faster rider be nominated to stay with and guide any slower group.

Ritchie Howes brought up the idea of a memorial ride for Garry Overend. Perhaps up his favourite course, 88 Valley Road. Or maybe even a ride to St Arnaud for lunch and return. Peter Ogilvie mentioned a trophy in his name. Since his prowess really shone in Time Trials this was also considered. Grant O'Fee mentioned that a memorial ride rather than a race is also a time for contemplation. The incoming committee will discuss this thought.

The club website is undergoing considerable modernisation at the moment thanks to Bryce Wastney. While some great improvements have been made, it is still very much a work in progress. Brian Samuels asked if any future notices to the members be also made on the club website and not just Facebook as a number of members do not use Facebook. The website should be considered the priority venue for notices as it is more readily available to all members. An example was given of race cancellations being only posted on Facebook.

The club website now has a notices section which we will need to utilise more.

It was pointed out that Niamh Fisher-Black has been appointed as Team Leader for the Giro Donne starting this weekend. A well deserved honour and testament to her great results to date.

Chris Scott spoke about the Volunteers Expo held last weekend. It went very well with a few people interested in helping out. A local Sea Scout Group expressed interest in gaining cycling badges for the scouts through the auspices of our club. Peter Ogilvie is liaising with them about this.

Grant O'Fee acknowledged the great work from Peter Ogilvie this year in many areas where the club needed someone to drive things along. Also mentioned was the fact that Donald MacIntosh keeps on turning up to every event to keep things rolling.

Christine van Hoppe was pleased to hear that the Club Champs are now in 5-year age groups in line with the National Cycling body. She also talked about event prizes. She said that they are great for engendering interest for the riders to keep turning up and not just for 1st placegetters. 2nd and 3rd should also get something. Furthermore, spot prizes are really worthwhile as well. They needn't be expensive. Just give everyone a chance of taking something home to the family.

The meeting ended at 7:14 pm