



## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**7.30pm Tuesday 18th November 2014**

Held at The Hagen Arms, Echunga. Meeting commenced 7.30pm

### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **1. Present**

Sarah Rawlinson (Chairperson), Fred Guilhaus, John Pfitzner, John Toshach, Tony Fackrell, Sue Fackrell, Dave Degenhardt, Allan Rofe, Dave Barrett (Recorder), Avis Pearce, Gavin Tamblyn, Di Giannaros, Diane Goddard, John Goddard, , David Paul, Graham Phillips, Cliff Grant, Richard Mackenzie, John Antonio, Martyn Kennedy, Phil Davill, Janet Davill, Don Taylor, Gwen Taylor, Louise Beazley, Paul Beazley, Simon Veitch, Victoria Veitch, Chris Ryan.

#### **2. Apologies**

Marie Light, Andrew Gordon, Tony Vaughan, Denise Barrett, Tony Simes, Bob Bishop, Rob Rawlinson.

#### **Minutes of Annual General Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

Moved Dave Degenhardt, seconded John Goddard, that the Minutes circulated to the members be accepted as a true and accurate record of the Meeting.

#### **3. Reports**

##### **4.1 President's Report - copied and pasted verbatim**

So here we are at the end of another year for the AHVCC.

As a Club, 2014 has given us much to be proud of. Our two day Goolwa event consolidated its position on the calendar as a Premium event. Our Mt To Murray survived last minute course changes to have excellent entries and rave reviews from those attending. We conducted the State Championship Road Race with top efficiency and our invitations impressed visiting riders. Even two ascents of Fox Creek didn't dull their enthusiasm.

Sadly our Wolfgang Harder Open was interrupted by a Road Traffic Accident beyond our control. All credit to Race Organiser John Antonio for handling a difficult situation with a high degree of professionalism.

The AHVCC spirit of volunteerism remained as strong as ever this year. Your Committee really worked well as a team. Each member took on several areas of responsibility and were diligent in all they undertook. Sorry if this sounds like a



school report but so much of what these guys do can too easily go unnoticed. Organising races, first aid, catering, sponsorship, financial management, even organising toilets nothing has been beyond them. A big thank you to you all.

Race day duties were almost without exception done willingly. State Referee Bob Cotton continued to praise our attention to safety. Special thanks to Dave Degenhardt for his work in this area.

Our Referees Tony Fackrell and Tony Vaughan must be acknowledged for their diligence. Cliff Grant has been a great handicapper and with Don Taylor and the Goolwa Committee was largely responsible for the Goolwa success.

Our catering volunteer numbers were lower than in the past but those involved still managed to provide great food at opens and made sure club events were catered. Special thanks to Michelle Paul for her coordination of the catering. The catering not only provides much needed post-race sustenance but is also a catalyst for the camaraderie that is as much a part of our club as the racing!

John Pfitzner and the Goolwa Committee obtained some great sponsorship this year. I would like to acknowledge the benefit the sponsors bring to the club enabling us to run great events.

We've even created a new website. I'd like to thank Caroline Cuthbert for her work as Webmaster on the old site and to publicly thank Phil Davill for creating the new website. In all my years at AHVCC I still haven't found anything that Phil can't do!

On a sadder note the accidents of our own John Antonio and Robert Freak have touched the cycling community. On behalf of the Club I offer our support to them both.

So what's in store for 2015?

We have committed to helping conduct the CAVS events. All Clubs will be involved in no small part because of the respect we have for Robert Freak.

Our Constitution is being rewritten to prepare for the name change from AHVCC to AHMCC. This keeps us in line with the State governing body and eliminates the confusion often associated with the "Veterans" term. We anticipate this to be finalised early in the New Year.

The 2015 Calendar will have more Invitations. The aim being to get larger fields and in having only one race on those weekends the demand on volunteer numbers will be reduced.

We are also going to trial Tandem racing. This has been accepted by our insurers and will give us the chance to support disabled riders.



It has been a pleasure to work with everyone in this club in 2014 both on and off the bike! Tonight I hope that some people will step up to support the Club and join our Committee to replace the retiring members. The position of assistant secretary is going to be essential this year to support John Antonio. I would also like to see someone take on the role of Vice President to avoid the risk of a dictatorship developing and to ensure new ideas keep coming.

Moved Dave Degenhardt, seconded John Antonio, that the report be accepted

#### **4.2 Treasurer's Report**

John Toshach circulated at the meeting the Independent Auditor's Report and an Income Statement Report for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 with a comparison against the same period in 2013. He highlighted that the club had grown in both turnover and expenses it had showed a modest growth in profit over the preceding year of \$1500. The club had finished the 2013-2014 financial year with a reconciled cash balance of \$24,749 compared to \$19,092 the previous year. John added that he was now the Public Officer for the club and we had moved our banking arrangements to Bank SA from Credit Union.

Proposed Sarah Rawlinson, seconded Avis Pearce, that Treasurer's Report be accepted.

#### **4.3 Registrar's Report**

Tony Fackrell reported that membership had increased in 2014. Riding Memberships had increased from 82 in 2013 to 86 in 2014 split 76 male and 9 female. The average riding age is 52 for males and 53 for females. Non Riding Volunteers numbered 9 with 8 Associate Members. A reduction in Associate Members was put down to the new Invitation events.

### **5 Election of Office Bearers**

Sarah Rawlinson vacated the Chair and invited John Pfitzner to chair this part of the meeting as Returning Officer.

**5.1 Office of President:** Sarah Rawlinson was nominated by Dave Degenhardt, seconded by Avis Pearce. Sarah declared her acceptance of the nomination. No other nomination was received. John Pfitzner declared that Sarah Rawlinson was elected to the office of President.

**5.2 Office of Treasurer:** John Toshach was nominated by Sarah Rawlinson, seconded by Allan Rofe. John declared his acceptance of the nomination. No other nomination was received. John Pfitzner declared that John Toshach was elected to the office of Treasurer.



**5.3 Office of Secretary:** John Antonio was nominated by Sarah Rawlinson, seconded by Phil Davill. John declared his acceptance of the nomination. No other nomination was received. John Pfitzner declared that John Antonio was elected to the office of Secretary.

#### **5.4 Election of Office Bearers - Non-Executive**

The following nominations were received from the floor:

David Degenhardt, proposed Sarah Rawlinson , seconded John Goddard  
Avis Pearce, proposed Sarah Rawlinson, seconded John Goddard  
Tony Simes, proposed Sarah Rawlinson, seconded John Goddard  
Graham Phillips, proposed Sarah Rawlinson, seconded John Goddard  
Phil Davill, proposed Sarah Rawlinson, seconded John Goddard  
One vacancy left unfilled to be discussed at the first Committee Meeting

All nominees accepted their nominations and it was agreed unanimously by the members that these Non-Executive Office Bearers would be confirmed at the first meeting of the new Committee and roles assigned.

John Pfitzner then vacated the Chair and the new President Sarah Rawlinson resumed as Chair.

Whilst not on the Committee:

John Pfitzner will continue as Sponsorship Manager;

Tony Fackrell will continue as Registrar until John Antonio is in a position to take this over.

Cliff Grant will continue as Handicapper.

Michelle Paul will continue to be responsible for the Catering Rostar

## **6 Any Other Business**

- **Club Fees** Sarah Rawlinson stated that as no increases in Licencing Fees were applicable from the AVCC, she proposed no changes to the current fee structure for all types of Membership. Seconded John Pfitzner and motion was carried unanimously.
- **Constitution/Name Change** Sarah Rawlinson commented on the changes to the Constitution and name change mentioned in her Report and it is hoped that this will put to the membership in the New Year.
- **Auditor** Sarah proposed that as we do not need an external auditor given our turnover under the Articles of Association, we no longer have an external audit but our books are available to any member to see. Seconded by John Toshach and put to a membership vote. 24 in favour, 3 not in favour. Motion carried.



- **Marshalling** Gavin Tamblyn raised the subject of a published marshalling roster. Dave Degenhardt said that this proves very difficult due to getting firm commitments and the number of members untrained by SAPOL which is being addressed with some difficulty.
- **Catering** Michelle Paul had agreed again to coordinate the Catering Roster for 2015. A request for more volunteers was made.
- **First Aid** Di Giannaros indicated she is prepared to be First-Aid Coordinator for 2014 as Marie Light has resigned from this position. It was suggested that we put an appeal on the new website for trained First Aiders to increase this resource as there will be no racing if there is no First Aider in attendance.
- **Flaxley Hall and Sign** Sarah Rawlinson told the meeting that we may lose Flaxley Hall on Sundays and that she is discussing options with the Hall. John Pfitzner raised the issue of the old sign at Flaxley and it was agreed that he and Dave Barrett will take this down and recycle if possible.
- **Courses** General discussion took place on existing and possible future course options.
- **Photographer** Sarah Rawlinson said that Caroline Cuthbert would not be available in 2015 for photography or website duties. She asked if any member knew of someone that could help with photography. The change over to the new website will allow more people to update the new website and spread the load as we had moved to a more blog based site
- **Vote of Thanks** On behalf of the membership, John Pfitzner proposed a vote of thanks to Sarah Rawlinson for her willingness to continue as Club President.

## 7 Meeting Closure

Meeting closed: 8.35 pm