

# NZSCA AGM Meeting

MINUTES

29/09/2013

5.00PM

VICTORIA PARK HALL

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	NZSCA	
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	AGM	
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Kevin Searle	
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Marie Laycock	
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<p>Mark Jackson- Rongotai College Greg Hiley- Auckland Grammar School Stephen Arnet- Baradene College Geraldine Marson- Auckland Grammar School Jane Morrison- Jones- Westlake Boys High School Brian Broad- BikeNZ Sam Elworthy- Takapuna Grammar School Stu Smith- Diocesan School for Girls Auckland Kevin Barker- St Peters College, Auckland Ross Castle- Ashurst School</p> <p><b>NZSCA Executive:</b> Kevin Searle- Rep for Canterbury, Chairperson, Villa Maria College Marie Laycock- NZSCA secretary/treasurer Racheal Cottam- Rep for West Coast North Islands Kristina Spaans- Rep for Waikato/Bay of Plenty Grant Powell- Rep for Auckland/Northland and St Peters/Baradene College Gary Gibson- Rep for East Coast North Island</p>	
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	<p>Wayne Evans Rep for Otago/Southland Rick Faulding St Kentigerns College Karen Fulton Rep for Nelson/Tasman Gillian Magerkoth Parnell College Bruce and Amy Dawe Life members</p>	

## Agenda topics

### INTRODUCTION

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Welcome and confirmation of a quorum. No voting to be done as been no remits have been submitted.
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### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Issues of correctness asked for regarding the previous minutes, none were identified. Minutes of the previous AGM were available on the NZSCA website, and circulated. Moved to be correct by Kevin Searle, seconded by Stu Smith. All agreed.
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	Matters arising, none.		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Minutes of the previous AGM were accepted as true and correct.		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
No action items			

## REPORTS

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><b><u>Regional Reports-</u></b> These will be attached to the minutes.</p> <p><b><u>Chairman's Report-</u></b>  Entries for Nationals this year have grown substantially since its inception. We have been trying to keep executive meeting costs down this year, and Kevin has been very appreciative of the regional representatives' input. Vice Chair Grant Powell has recently been appointed a district court judge, but he has been allowed to remain on the committee. Marie the Secretary/treasurer was thanked for her input, and all the other committee members addressed and thanked. Racheal Cottam has always been present when needed for the committee, and was thanked for her service in her role, despite her very busy life. She has elected not to continue in this role, but we thanked her for her years of service.</p> <p>School cycling is in a period of significant change, it is adaptable and can change when required. NZSCA will now be providing governance for the MTB school cycling Island and National Champs from 2014. NZSCA has looked critically at our North Island event, and is looking at change, has reviewed relationships, but has always kept the benefit to young riders in mind. Kevin feels that a shared path has moved forward, and Kevin was appreciative of the leadership of Brian Broad interim CEO of Bike NZ. Brian has progressed matters important to the NZSCA significantly. Numbers of riders entered in the National TTTs were 161 teams, 738 riders for the road race, and 733 for the points race. BRT club road Nationals had less than 500 riders for all grades, with 189 school age riders. Only 1 in 4 were reported to find relevance in club riding, which needs attention. Work on consistency in gearing with BRT continues. We also need to look at the growth of school cycling, around key schools or keen riders in schools. Sport Manawatu also has had a key role in NZSCA Nationals, especially Stephanie Dench. Levin Cycling Club has been tireless in their race management. Commissaires also have had a very important role which sometimes passes unnoticed. Report was tabled and moved by Kevin Searle and seconded Grant Powell. Carried.</p> <p><b><u>Financial Report (Attached)</u></b>  Tabled and spoken to by Marie Laycock. Comparison between 2011 and 2012. 2011 has been restated as we have included further categories. NZSCA had 97 members in 2011, and 76 members in 2012. So far in 2013 the NZSCA has 110 paid members, and 20 plus additional schools who only have</p>
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	<p>one rider. Meeting expenses were up for 2012. Marie moved that the financial accounts be accepted, Grant Powell seconded, and it was carried.</p>
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### CONFIRMATION OF EXECUTIVE

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Confirmation of executive nominations have been received from all regions except West Coast North Islands. Ross Castle has now been nominated for this position and stands unopposed.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	<p>Regional reps are confirmed as:</p> <p>Grant Powell- Auckland/Northland Kristina Spaans- Waikato/BoP Ross Castle- West Coast North Island Gary Gibson- East Coast North Island Kevin Searle- Canterbury Central</p> <hr/> <p>Wayne Evans- Dunedin South Karen Fulton- Tasman/Nelson Patron- Chris Ginders</p>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
None			

### REMITTS FROM 2012

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><b><u>Grant Powell spoke to the remits consulted on from last year.</u></b> He had developed a consultation document, with remits concerning the introduction of an U18 grade, and the change from 5 to 4 members in senior TTT. These went out electronically and in paper form at the Island events. Auckland Secondary Schools Committee also discussed these, but achieved no fixed view. Only 4 documents were returned, with no consensus established. With such a statistically low response, no mandate for change on either of the two issues was indicated. The Executive voted that status quo should remain. It was a useful exercise, quite a robust process, and if it was a concerning issue, then more feedback would have been received.</p>
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### GENERAL BUSINESS

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>The executive made a decision this year to waive fees for new schools with single riders, as often the parent, not the school, was paying and managing this. Kevin opened discussion on whether we should have a tiered subscription level or a per rider fee to the floor. A sufficient buffer for future events was put forward by Kevin as being helpful. Discussion was that we should keep the status quo, rather than penalise the bigger schools, or cap the subscription at a certain level. A big part of NZSCA's problems is that subscriptions were captured by the organisers at South Islands, but not at North Islands. We could stream line this further, as long as the event mangers are communicating well with entries and contact details. We will consult across a variety of schools and school sizes, while at the moment status quo will prevail. If a new member school is participating in</p>
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2014 they will be required to pay membership in 2014.

We are continuing to seek better alignment with gearing for school cycling and BRT. We have moved to the 6.61m gearing a few years ago for all U17 grades, and BRT were asked to remove the 6m gearing for U15, but have not agreed to date.

However BRT are now looking to move U17 gearing to 7.00m, as Australia has done and this would cause further problems for school cycling. Most U20 teams are currently a blend of U17 and U20 riders. We are exploring options of having U15, U17 and U20 teams. Most schools spoken to so far would lose competitive teams with these grades, and we consult with member schools on this. The question was asked about what the advantage of changing was to school cycling, Kevin responded that it would bring commonality.

Grant felt that there were no advantages. The 2013 Bike NZ workshops before the AGM took place at the same time as an Auckland school cycling TTTs, with 150 teams racing just a few metres away for the AGM venue, but no interest was shown in viewing this.

Auckland currently has 30 school riders out of 800 who belong to clubs, and Canterbury has 40 school riders out of 200 belonging to clubs. Only a small proportion of school cyclists are catered for.

If BRT move to 7.00m it is a problem for us. We will continue to consult with BRT on gearing.

North Islands had been a difficult period in terms of the relationship between the organisers and NZSCA. It had been put out to tender and we now have a new event manager. The course for 2014 will change to the other side of Cambridge, and will incorporate a criterium. NZSCA have also agreed to and sanctioned a North Islands track event straight after the North Islands Schools Championships for road.

The question was asked if the NZSCA charge a levy from event managers. We do not currently do this, and the event surplus is not great.

There should be sufficient time to provide a criterium within the North Islands weekend, following racing on the Saturday afternoon.

Kevin thanked all who attended, and recognised their work as volunteers in the sport.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

MEETING CLOSED	Meeting closed 5.51pm.
NEXT MEETING	Next meeting 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2014

## **Regional Reports**

### **Waikato/Bay of Plenty Region- Kristina Spaans**

2013 cycling in the Waikato/Bay of Plenty region can be summarised in two words.... Increased participation.

The Waikato Cycling Sports Academy continues to provide quality school cycling events for riders from Year 5 to 13 throughout the school year. Competitors come from a wide geographical area encompassing Hamilton, Cambridge, Te Awamutu, Hauraki Plains, Tauranga and Taupo.

Numbers across all events were up for the:

~ Waikato/Bay of Plenty Schools Road Races

~ 3 stage Junior Mini Tour

~ Individual and team triathlons and duathlons that feature many regular road cyclists

The inaugural track carnival held at the Te Awamutu outdoor track attracted 35 cyclists

Participant numbers in the North Island Schools Championships in Cambridge were slightly down on previous years. The event was blessed with fine weather and good racing, all in all a successful weekend.

More riders than in previous years competed in the North Island Intermediate and Middle Schools Cycling Championships organised by Taupo Intermediate School, including riders from schools that had previously not participated.

Looking forward, we expect the number of school riders to continue to increase in the Waikato/Bay of Plenty with the forthcoming opening of the Avantidrome and associated road and track events that, together with regional development programmes, aim to build a stronger school cycling base.

### **Wellington Region- Gary Gibson**

The last Schools Cycling season was the biggest yet for Wellington. We had a more comprehensive racing programme for everyone, including our first Teams Time Trial event.

49 riders entered in the Wellington champs this year, with only a few riders from outside the Wellington district attending. While Wellington numbers have remained stable for the last four years, away riders have been somewhat reduced due to the Sport Manawatu run Festival of Cycling in Fielding on the same weekend.

We were a part of the Upper Hutt Festival of Cycling during the Month of September. The UHCC organised a allcomers criterium for kids to come and watch our racing and have a go at a little criterium after our event was completed.

Rongotai College started its first cycling team this year, which I kept close eye on all season. They performed very well at the Nationals for their first time

Scots college are going from Strength to Strength with their new managing/coaching structure and they took the clean sweep of golds in all the boys grades at the Wgtn Champs. They came 7th out of all the schools in NZ at the Nationals.

This is a huge step up for Wellington. These are the only two organised schools in Wellington and both have now put systems in place for making cycling a permanent part of their schools sports programme.

I have been discussing ways of creating Cycling Sports Clubs within schools in the Upper Hutt area with the Council. They're very keen to get something underway next year, so I'm hoping we can get something off the ground there. They will be able to make good use of the local go-kart track.

The Kapiti area Cycling Club have approached me in trying to get something happening in schools in their area. They have tried a little in-school mtb competition, but are not experienced enough to take kids out on the road.

We're now working with Pedal-Ready Cycling Skills programme (funding by various sources) to help these schools out with on-road knowledge and training up the trainers. Pedal-Ready has had a number of meetings with BikeNZ and they have agreed with NZQA that the instructors courses are now equivalent and can be interchangeable for teachers/parents wanting to take kids out on the road.

We had a meeting last week to form a "Wgtn Schools Cycling Assoc" for want of a better name. This will continue next week to confirm dates for next season's programme and to put into place an organised committee to run the Schools Cycling in Wellington. I don't expect this to work perfectly over the first few years, but hope it will grow in strength each year.

### **Nelson/Tasman – Karen Fulton**

I decided to not run any junior racing through the winter this year, as last year it seemed that we cancelled more races than we ran, us in Nelson like to ride and race in nice dry conditions so getting parents to bring their children out on wet afternoons just wasn't going to happen.

We did have the Tasman School champs in late May which in all honesty frustrates me every year, in the way that they only acknowledge the secondary school children, not good when you are trying to encourage intermediate age riders. This championship followed nicely to south Island schools in Christchurch which a great event in the way that it is well organised, everything is on time and it breeds hardy kids..... due to the terrible weather conditions.

In July I ran a Junior Development Tour with Lance Spencer and Mark Grammar from Blenheim, we ran it as a two day tour, with day 1 being in Blenheim, which they organised and day 2 being in Nelson which I organised. We ran the tour in two grades (A and B) and over different courses which tested the riders. The juniors had a great time and we are now going to run this event on an annual basis.

After the school nationals in September I started a 9 week Junior Road Race Series, this is held on Wednesday afternoons after School, over three different courses, a flat circuit race, a time trial and a hilly circuit race, which we rotate. I run two grades and i have Trophy's at the end of the series for first A grade boy and girl, first B grade, boy and girl and most improved. I have help every week for the Tasman wheelers in the way of Traffic Management, STMS etc..

As well as this Nelson Cycling runs track racing every Sunday afternoon for Junior riders.