## Minutes of Annual General meeting of Held at Mansfield Raceway

# NZ Schools Cycling Association Sunday 09 October 2011

## Prepared by Racheal Cottam as Acting Secretary.

### **Present**

Kevin Searle Villa Maria college
Alan Gilder Scared Heart Auckland
Michael Main Hillcrest High School

Jane Morrison Jones Westlake Boys High School

Geraldine Marson Auckland Grammar
Tina Karle Cambridge High School

Jill Porritt Berkley Middle School, Hamilton

Murray McGuire- Barnes MacCleans College
Doug Pulford Huaraki Plains
Peter Boreham Waikato Diocesan
Errol Newlands St Peters Cambridge
Stephen Arnet Baradene College

Brian Fleck Hamilton Boys High School
Chris Ginders Patron/Marlborough Boys/Girls

Wayne Gas Tairei College

**David Graham** 

Rick Faulding St Kentrigen College

Sarah Mudford

Brian Gilbert Kaportarua School

Jeremy Cottam New Plymouth Boys High School

Kristina Spaans Waikato Diocesan Marie Laycock Auckland Rep SHC

Racheal Cottam New Plymouth Girls High School – Acting Secretary

**Invited Guests**: Bike NZ – Keirin Turner

**Apologies:** Sandra Carter

Voting Rights: Explained one vote for each school

## Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting

Presentation to meeting from Bike NZ – their vision for Schools – Bike NZ Presentation

Two years ago, the board of Bike NZ reformed. There brief was to have more people cycling more often. Looking at this and talking with Kevin and Chris, BikeNZ wanted to know what can Bike NZ do as an organisation to grow schools cycling? They are currently working with Sport Manawatu – want to see more people cycling and see an increase in growth of 10 -15% per annum. Look at whether the nature of schools cycling needs to be different.

Look at TT/RR – getting kids enthusiastic about riding. More people riding more often. Kieran Turner, spoke only 2-3% of secondary schools are currently participating. Keirin spoke with regards to whole of Bike Plan -> BikeNZ see this as an exciting platform showing consistency across the calendar, and want to grow some of these events. The plan will provide a consistent method.

## **Key Products**

- Schools Website
- Calendar Tool
- Single Platform communicating events
- Regular Newsletter
- Coaching Framework (new)

### Looking at areas

- How do we get kids started
- Skills/Drills and resources
- 5 regions learn to ride

BikeNZ want to encourage integrating these initiatives. Make sure that the" Learn to ride" process is a pathway. Need to focus on having enough events to get kids coming back.

## BikeNZ looking at

- Development programme (massive market)
- Schools Club linkage
- Full membership review 72 different membership types
- Trying to get more people racing at clubs.

### Growth

- Consistency of events
- Coaching and Resources.

Slide Show: of Product

Rick Faulding – Commented re planning of calendar identifying things such as the Novice Tour which goes head to head with Schools Cycling Nationals.

Marie Laycock – Comment that no road races were in the model. Limited Resources. Clubs are not putting the right quality of road racing. Clubs need to change their product. Liked idea of planned calendar for every region. Massive new market available.

Key is getting the product right for schools. South Islands are run on Ruapuna Raceway. Key is getting the product right.

Minutes of 2010 Annual General Meeting were received.

Moved by Marie Laycock and Seconded by Wayne Evans.

## **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

- **1. Composite wheel Rules** Included in last discussion. Technical rules no other device can be used during the race.
- 2. Number Changes Made to Rules All changes were addressed.
- **3.** Clothing Arm warmers/Leg Warmers to go back to Committee.
- **4. Constitution** Has been a matter of difficultly for this organisation. Only reworking of that draft were (2 clauses overall) Executive Structure Secretary/treasurer elected from the executive in the past.

Officers -

Downside - Modis Operaldi - elected differently.

Ability to Co-op a Secretary. All executive – common Place.

5. Membership Structure – creating a schools linkage. Students can have a membership. Frequently complaints that schools pay \$ (same as 60 riders) Find a way that meets schools number. Bike NZ access. Small little things. Document result has taken 2 years. Endorsed unanimously – this year adopt document.

Unanimous Vote to adopt constitution as per September 6<sup>th</sup>

6. Without word – Secondary Schools (deletion) Moved by Kevin Searle and Seconded by Chris Ginders. Unanimous vote.

**Chairman's report**- Kevin Searle –gave Chairman's report. **Seconded by Chris Ginders**, **Moved Kevin Searle** 

Kevin spoke of working relationship with Sports Manawatu – developing the relationship, and with Levin Cycling Club and Commissaries. Found a great working relationship everyone involved.

**Financial Report** – Anticipate reasonable excess from this Year's Nationals. Executive has planned meeting for next year. Executive at present lack the support of sitting around the table. Having a surplus will give executive ability to do this.

Received: Marie Laycock/Seconded by Peter Boreham

In favour: Unanimous

# **Reports re Events**

**North Island Championship** – Racheal Cottam spoke of Sandra Carters behalf with Regards to North Island Championships – Numbers were up and the new venue was very well received. Cambridge High was a great venue with a lot of additional parking. The venue was well supported with food outlets and coffee.

**South Island Championships** – Riders numbers were up (280 riders)

Mt Wellington Individual Schools Cycling Championships – ran Smoothly. Very prompt with results – A and B grades - executing race capabilities.

**Marlborough 2 day tour** – pretty successful events. Numbers have increased in participation, well run event.

**Deep South – South Island Road Championships –** Wayne Evans spoke on. Had Inaugural road championships. Base from which to work from. Some stepping stones to come from south island.

**Year 7 and 8 – North Island Championships – Taupo** – Discussion around being to many clashes. Look at overall picture of streamlining. What are appropriate numbers of events and where do they all fit in. 180 competitors – Year 7 and 8 - growth to 25 teams. There is a benefit to young riders in this event and provides best outcome for them.

# NOMINATIONS OF EXECUTIVE

**Grant Powell** – Needs to be a Greater Transparency Finding our Executive. Had received two applications from the Waikato, Decided to leave nominations open for a further week after the school holidays and then close.

2<sup>ND</sup> nomination was from Waikato Diocesan – Kristina Spaans. Protocols have been met for other regions.

Advertising positions wasn't sent out appropriately. Time Frame Available.

No nomination received from Tasman

All others had received nomination. Chris Ginders gave a speech regarding the growth and development of events. Involved first four years, bike nz set up – and has seen continued development from 15-150 teams.

### **REMITS**

### FROM SCARED HEART AUCKLAND

- 1. A) The Year 7 and 8 grade will be replaced with age group categories for all NZSCA/Bike NZ Schools Individual Races.
- 2. The Introduction of an under 13 grade for all relevant NZSCA/Bike NZ schools individual races.
- 3. The rollout for all under 17 age group schools races to be 6.61mt
- 4. That the Year 7 and 8 grade for team time trials be replaced with an under 14 grade for all NZSCA/Bike NZ schools races.

### **RATIONALE**

- 1. Bike NZ Rules use the age group categories as does the South Island Championships. The younger year 7 rider are much less developed that the year 8 riders and there are often very large ranges of ability across the fields. The traditionally smaller Under 14 grade would then be able to help smooth out the year 7 and 8 numbers, with the under 13 grade becoming smaller and safer for the inexperienced riders.
- 2. The 6m rollout is confusing for the parents, schools and rides who may have different rollouts for different races. The 6.61m gearing is used in the Auckland Waterfront team time trials for Year 7 and 8 riders with no apparent issues.
- 3. The grades would be more consistent across the country.

## Discussion -

- 1. Discussion with regard to changing year 7 and 8 grade to that of under 14 grade. Support with regards to Age groups. Remit was presented and voted that Year 7 and 8 grades would be changed to Age Group categories at North Island and National Championships. Voted 9 in Favour and 7 Against.
- 2. Rollout Rollout was put to the vote 12 in Favour of changing the gearing to 6.61 and 5 against. Resolved that gearing will be 6.61.
- 3. That Year 7 and 8 Team Time Trials be replaced with an Under 14 grade. Discussion that bigger schools need to do the numbers and report back to the committee. Need Feedback with regards to this.

## From St Peters Cambridge -

1. That NZSCA age groups and gear restrictions be brought into line with BikeNZ and BRT and apply to all school cycling events.

## **Guiding Principles**

- This change will create more effective linkage between school and club cycling with everyone using the same age/gear restrictions.
- Ensure that the junior rider (of any age group) will compete with one age appropriate gearing for an entire season.
- Encourages better development and performance
- Eliminates any confusion over gearing as rider's transition between schools and clubs.

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Discussion – This was voted 5 schools voted for and 11 against. Motion denied.

- 2. North Island and NZ Schools Team Time Trial age groups to be realigned as follows.
- a) Year 7 and Year 7 Girls
- b) Year 8 Boys and Year 8 Girls
- c) Junior (Under 15) boys and junior (under 15 girls)
- d) Intermediate (Under 17) boys and Intermediate (Under 17)
- e) Senior (U20)boys and senior (U20) girls

# **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- Numbers have grown within these age groups to a stage where a meaningful completion can be held in 3 age groups.
- Historical reasons for keeping 2 age groups no longer apply as participation has grown significantly.
- Aligns with current BikeNZz gear restrictions for these age categories allowing age appropriate racing and competition.
- 3. Distances for North Island Island and NZ School Road Races shall be age appriopriate and approved by the NZSCA Committee or Executive prior to publication of the event.

Moved to the idea that was a voting matter – Feeling of its membership – Felt cleaned up in the constitution. Executive Committee – Technical Panels.

# **Guiding Principles**

• There must be logical progression between the age groups and the distances that they rider wherever possible.

- For the North Island Championships the distances should be no less than 80% of the NZ schools championship distances.
- A Similar percentage relationship must be applied between school championships and NZ club road championship distances.
- Where A and B fields are run in one age groups, distance may be further restricted to cater for the lesser ability of the B field.

Moved to Idea needed to be referred back to technical and events panel

### **General Business**

Discussion re Dates for Nationals 2012 - Dates are to be September 29<sup>th</sup>,30<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012.

No further General Business was tabled.

Meeting closed.