

Minutes of MRA WA (Inc) Annual General Meeting (Part One)
15th July 2009

Venue: Bentley Tavern, Albany Hwy, Bentley

Chaired By: Dave Wright

Minutes By: Karris Evans

Open Meeting: 19:42

Attendance: 14

Apologies: Jono, Gina, Alvis

New Members/Guests: Clive, has been campaigning for better parking in Perth and rides a Triumph 675

Minutes of the Previous AGM of the 28/07/2008 be accepted

Moved: Dave

Seconded: Karris

Passed

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes: None

Reports

Secretary's Report: Karris

A good year, nothing special to report.

President's Report: Dave

Last year we set up the Motorcycle 'Think Tank' that has now become The Motorcycle and Scooter Safety Forum. We have already held forums one and two and so far have been very successful and positive. Forum three, titled 'Action' will focus on prioritising the outcomes with various groups and Government departments. There will also be a follow up forum three months later to see how things are moving along. One of the objectives from the forums has been to see a power to weight ratio system implemented here as W.A is now the only state in Australia not to have this.

We also hope to set up a W.A Motorcycle Council including all groups in Perth. We hope to base this on the N.S.W model that is successfully in place. Each club will have two delegates on the council and will be democratically run. Clubs with issues can ask their delegates to bring these to the meetings and project managers can be selected from the whole group to deal with various issues. We think this is the way of the future in W.A and will take over from the MRA in dealing with safety and political issues.

Annie from Ulysses who had a horrific accident on Greenhill Road will be suing the Main Roads Department for failure to improve the safety conditions on the road. Dave and Mal along with Main roads representatives visited the site 18 months previous to Annie's accident to check the conditions and recommend upgrades after a rider lost his leg and tragically died at the same spot. The safety measures were not put in place and Dave will help Annie with her case by providing the reports from this meeting.

New stickers were produced this year and handed out to bike shops all over Perth. We have put in an application for a Road Wise grant to enable us to purchase more.

Clive, who was petitioning for more parking in the CBD, asked the MRA to help out when the bike parking levy was increased 408% per bay. Dave spoke to Simon O'Brien who through Troy Buswell had the levy scrapped altogether. We will contact the Lord Mayor of Perth to see if they can now put more bike bays in as they won't have to pay a levy for them.

Vice-President's Report: Lyn

A very productive year with the forums and successful parking outcome in Perth. Thanks to all on the committee and to Dave for his tireless efforts throughout the year. Also thank Roger for all his support. The forums have been very positive and hope that the economic crisis will not stop the progress of the many changes needed to be brought in.

- Would like to nominate Dave for life membership of the MRAWA. This will be voted on after the AGM.

Treasurer's Report: Mal

For The period 28/07/08 to 30/06/09

Opening Balance: \$13,467.25

Deposits: \$9,597.13

Payments: \$17,110.53

Closing Balance: 5,953.85

Petty Cash: \$105.90 (included in closing balance)

Membership account (for online renewals)

Opening Balance: \$1,613.93

Deposits: \$1,548.23

Payments: \$112.60

Closing Balance: \$2,049.56

Unfortunately, due to long service leave and travelling plans, unable to stand as treasurer this year.

Editors Report: Kay (Absent)

The next issue will be out next month with the new committee's details in it.

Rides and Events Report: Dave

The chicken run will be held this weekend. 25 have signed up so far.

August 16, mystery breakfast ride leaving Caltex Midvale at 8am.

The new rides committee will get together to organise some more rides.

Membership Report: Jo

At the end of this month we will have 244 paid up members. Half of our membership is paid up until 2010. We had 3 new members last month and 6 renewals. Renewals for the coming year are due now.

Road Wise Report: Karina

Stirling Road Wise are now called a Working Group instead of a council and have been very pro active in helping motorcyclists. They organised a Safety day for cars and bikes with DPI officials to complete safety checks on vehicles for free.

Swan has introduced a Safe Speed Pledge for residents to sign and this has also been taken up by Gosnells and Stirling.

Gosnells are looking at having a day of remembrance for those killed on the roads. They hope to have school children involved as well as local media.

AMC Report: Dave

Not a lot to report. They haven't had much success with the anti biker legislation but are happy over our Perth parking success. The AGM is being held on the Gold Coast in September; Dave will attend and take information from our forum to see if the AMC can help at federal level.

Road Safety/Political Report: Dave

Awareness week will be held 7 – 12 September and Main Roads have agreed to put up bike safety signs along the freeway for the week.

Peter Woods will put safety info in the West Australian and promote the event. The ride will take place on the Saturday going from Hillarys to The Esplanade in Perth. Security guards will watch the bikes whilst the riders are at the Motorcycle and Scooter show. \$2 of every participant's entry fee to the show will go to Camp Quality. The Mad Ride will be held on the Sunday.

We would like to make this an annual event and tie it in with either the Motorcycle and Scooter show or Northam Festival.

CB250/Stock Report: Lyn

Bike has been busier than last year, especially over the last few months. Has been running well since the service and has had many bookings from learner riders. Stock levels will be evaluated after the AGM.

Media Officer's Report: (No Media Officer)

General Business: Dave thanked the committee for their work this year.

Meeting Break, to hand over to Dick Watson for part two of meeting

Minutes of MRA WA (Inc) Annual General Meeting (Part Two)
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Chaired By: Dave Wright

Minutes By: Karris Evans

Open Meeting: 20:45

Dick Watson takes the chair. All positions are now vacant.

Nominations received by 9th July for Committee Positions

President – Dave Wright

Vice-President – Lyn Simpson

Secretary – No nomination

Treasurer – No nomination

Editor – No nomination

Road Safety/Political – Dave Wright

AMC Rep – Dave Wright

Membership – Jo Wells

Stock/CB250 – Lyn Simpson

Rides/Activities – Subcommittee (Dave Wright, Simon Dzelzitis, Nigel Bray)

Road Wise – Karina O'Malley

Web Site Controller – No Nomination

General Committee – Sandra Payne, Marilyn Wright, Noel Sutor, Roger Jutte, Jono Kent

Nominations will be taken from the members for the positions of

Secretary – Lyn Simpson

Treasurer – Joanne Wells

Media Liaison – No Nomination

Web Site Controller – No Nomination

As only one nomination was received for each Committee position, voting will be unnecessary

New Committee

President – Dave Wright

Vice-President – Lyn Simpson

Secretary – Lyn Simpson

Treasurer – Joanne Wells

Editor – Vacant

Road Safety/Political – Dave Wright

AMC Rep – Dave Wright

Membership – Joanne Wells

Stock/CB250 – Lyn Simpson

Media Liaison – Vacant

Rides/Activities – Subcommittee: Dave Wright, Simon Dzelzitis, Nigel Bray, Jeff Mijil.

Road Wise – Karina O'Malley

Web Site Controller – Vacant (Simon will look into doing this)

General Committee – Sandra Payne, Marilyn Wright, Noel Sutor, Roger Jutte, Jono Kent

Dick thanked the outgoing committee from all the members and invited Dave to retake the chair.

Dave thanked Dick for his many years of assistance to the MRA and for auditing the books once again. Thanks to all who nominated for this year's Committee and those who have stood again.

- Dave sent out so a vote could be taken on granting him life membership.
- Proposal – Dave Wright to be made a life member of the MRAWA – Lyn Simpson
Seconded – Mal Sinclair
Vote – Unanimous in favour.
Passed. Dave Wright is now a life member of the MRAWA. Congratulations were given to Dave as we welcomed him back to the meeting.

Meeting Closed: 20:50