# **Australian Time Trials Association**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Champions Room, Challenge Stadium, Mt Claremont on Saturday July 26, 2008

**Members present:** Greg Aldridge; Mark Anastasas; Andrew Mackie; Bob Barnes; Mark Burke; Fred Cottier; Phil Deisel; Byron Geneve; Jesse Graham; Phil Gyford; Roger Hales; Owen Jones; John Innes; Rudy Lunel; Neil McRae; Derek Mayall; Peter Meyer; Susie Munro; Rod Randall; Julie Roberts; Mark Roberts; Natalie and Chris Roberts; Lorraine Schutz; Margaret Watroba.

#### Breakfast.

## 08:30 Presentation of Trophies, Hilly Shirts & BAR Medals:

Hilly Trophy: Micheal Buytels & Lorraine Schutz
 BAR Trophy: Owen Jones & Lorraine Schutz

#### 08:37 Meeting opened:

Chairman: Peter Meyer

Minutes: prepared from notes made by Neil McRae and PM

**Apologies:** Jessica Allen; Peter Allen; Nicky Armstrong; Mick Brammer; Stuey Estcourt; Peter Fallon; Don Griffin; Michael Guerin; Steve McKiernan; Greg Perry; Frank Stoffers; Greg Swensen.

All relevant documents had been available on the website since June; copies were available at the meeting;

Previous Minutes: - Minutes accepted on voices (Moved/Seconded: BB; MR).

Matter Arising: Race numbers and Tri- Belts had been purchased; meetings had continued on the basis proposed in the minutes.

The assumption was made that that all members present had read the various report documents published on the website

#### President's Report:

A verbal summary was given: rider numbers in WA & NSW; the demise of ATTA-Vic; Associations and Incorporations Act and the future of the NSW affiliation; Champion Lakes development; Traffic Management at events; 'Chip' timing introduction; website (12 years on) and report on hosting downtimes; acknowledgements. The following points were made in addition:

- The committee had considered the possible implications for us of CA TT Licences (Ride-It) The feeling was that we don't need to change our approach; we shouldn't. We need to retain our own insurance to be able to accept non-CA riders so, whatever advantage Ride-It licences may offer, we could not insist on universal licensing. This view might be reviewed if CA and TA organised some sort of reciprocity and there was a similar arrangement with the AVCC; and perhaps WAMBA! We do, however recognize the utility of the licences.
  Little progress has been made in the integration of AVCC & C-WA.
- Our affiliation with C-WA still involves a good working relationship but continues to have a number of anomalies (eg
  the licensing question; event sanctioning; possibly rider sanctioning) We remain mindful of the conditions C-WA
  imposes on clubs in the event sanctioning process particularly in terms of our duty-of-care. Several of us recently
  became CA-accredited Level 1 Commissaires and we have had a number of accredited Level 1 coaches for some
  time.
- Timing. We need to develop a policy about casual riders and that at some point, after a number of rides with us, we should expect a commitment to the purchase of a transponder and possibly full membership (we have noted an increase in membership in the past year)

Sponsorship and donations: where are our corporate 'friends'?

Considerable gratitude is already due to a number of members who have made donations to the transponder fund. Recognition will be made in an 'honour roll' on the website at least.

There is a difficulty in the application of the conventional wisdom of the *user pays* approach to the introduction of our new timing system. There is a real risk that we will see *users* disappear but, that aside, we see this development as fundamental to ATTA's operation. An important part of the ATTA philosophy is that our races are open to everyone and that this involves not placing barriers like hefty entry fees in the way. It was felt we are justified in hoping that existing members will see an opportunity to make a contribution - as some obviously have. We have been and still are pursuing donations and possible grants.

Moved/ Seconded (RR/NR): President's report be accepted; accepted on voices

## Treasurer's Report:

A verbal summary was given.

We were mostly close to budget in 2007-08 but items like the ChipX system had not been budgeted for and has been paid for from reserves and an interest-free loan; the cost of online registrations and Traffic Management had been fairly major out-goings. There was also an increase in bank fees.

The budget for 2008\_09 forecasts a deficit of about \$6k but most of that is represented by the \$5k loan.

The use of *Register Now* has proved to be justified for its convenience but we will continue to encourage the use of EFT as our preference for payments of memberships and, in particular, transponder purchases.

Moved/ Seconded (RR/CR): Treasurer's report be accepted; accepted on voices

## Election of Office Bearers: 09:30

President: Peter Meyer Moved/ Seconded (BB/SM):

Vice-Presidents: Mark Roberts; Natalie Roberts Moved/ Seconded (LS/SM; CR/OJ):

Treasurer: Lorraine Schutz Moved/ Seconded (BB/OJ):

- Permits Co-ordinator: Stuey Estcourt to be assisted by Andrew Mackie

- Moved/ Seconded (SM/LS): Moved/ Seconded (PM/NMcR): Marshal Co-ordinator: Susie Munro

The nominees were elected unopposed.

Committee. Appointed: Nicky Armstrong; Bob Barnes; Byron Geneve; Roger Hales; John Innes; Owen Jones; Rudy Lunel; Andrew Mackie; Neil McRae; Greg Perry; Rod Randall.

### General Business 09:45:

Membership Fees: Increases to \$25 (std); \$40 (Family); \$15 (>60 & <16).

Race fees: No change except for <16s (increasing to \$2); registration and prepayment for Championships will continue through Register Now together with the Earlybirds.

The Early-Bird series was in danger of being severely curtailed or lost due to the policy of the Kings Park authorities in respect to the course available for cycle events in the Park. After some discussion it was decided to attempt to lobby the KP authorities and others to reconsider the policy. Roger Hales offered to co-ordinate the lobbying.

A call was made to seek sponsors for the purchase of further timing equipment, primarily transponders.

The next AGM was scheduled for the last week in July 2009 (probably the 25th, depending on bookings available)

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10:06.