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Board of Directors Report – February 2009

Report of the Board of Directors meeting held at the MA Head Office on Wednesday 4 February 2009 at 9.00am.

PRESENT: Ron Kivovitch President (Chairman)
Stephen Foody Vice President
Les Thomas Director
Lyal Allen Director
Beach Thomas Director

In Attendance: David White Chief Executive Officer
Kipley Firth Administrator

Partial Attendance:
Dan Rotman Manager – Riders Division

Item No.	Issue	Raised By	Recommended / Proposed Action	Decision	Rationale / Consultation	Lead	Action Date
BR484	Welcome/Apologies	RK	The President welcomed those present and opened the meeting.	-	-	-	-
BR485	Confirmation of Minutes	RK	Minutes of the teleconference held on 21 st January 2009.	The minutes from the teleconference held on 21 st January 2009 were read and received.	-	-	-
BR486	Business Arising: Safety Committee (EX4265)	CEO	D. White provided a verbal update on A.Oberoi's meeting with CAMS in reference to a joint MA/CAMS Committee. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that A.Oberoi is following up with Bruce Keyes in reference to this committee. Several logistical and administrative items are being finalised.	RCM	1/3/09
BR487	Business Arising: Family Recreational Licences (EX3767)	SCBs	D. White provided a verbal update following on from the State Manager's meeting on 16 th December.	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that this item has not been followed-up.	CEO	1/3/09

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			<p>The State Managers determined that this item will be reviewed by the newly elected Licence Review Committee.</p> <p>A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.</p>				
BR488	Business Arising: Safety Vests for Officials (EX3771)	SCBs	<p>D. White provided a verbal update following on from the State Manager's decision on 16th December.</p> <p>It was determined by the State Managers that A.Oberoi is to seek legal advice in regards to this matter.</p> <p>A further update is to be provided at the next Board Meeting.</p>	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that A.Oberoi is liaising with Lander and Rogers on this item.	CEO	1/3/09
BR489	Business Arising: David Parker (EX4274)	CEO	<p><u>David Parker</u> Write to the President of Gillman Club and inform them that a document from David Parker has come to our notice and request the President's and Mr. Parker's attendance at the next Board Meeting to discuss issues.</p> <p>I.Golding to be invited to the next Board Meeting.</p> <p>The Board decided that this item will be deferred to the February Board Meeting. David Parker, the Gillman President and I. Golding will be invited to attend the Board Meeting in February.</p>	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-
BR490	Business Arising: Political Terms of Reference	CEO	<p><u>Political Terms of Reference</u> A draft Terms of Reference for the MA Political Committee was circulated. The following feedback is to be addressed:</p>	D. White advised that no further progress has been made on this item and a further update will be provided at the next meeting.	-	CEO	1/3/09

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A suggested name change of the committee, possibly "The Riders' Rights Committee", which would align with the AMA approach. • It was noted that the committee should be no larger than 5-7 people. This item is to be handled at the discretion of D.White. • With a reduced committee size, the committee should instead be required to consult widely with a specified number of organisations. • The document is not clear as to who or how the committee members are appointed. It was decided that the MA Board are to appoint the members of the Riders Rights Committee. The Chairman of the committee is to coordinate nominations from organisations and referred to the Board for approval. 				
BR491	Business Arising: CEO Report (EX4281)	CEO	<p><u>Visits to States</u> D. White advised that a schedule will be drafted for the President and CEO's attendance to states.</p> <p><u>Attendance at Board Meetings</u> D. White advised that a schedule will be drafted.</p> <p><u>Board Members attending Australian Championships</u></p>	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-

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			D. White advised that a schedule will be drafted and distributed for comment.				
BR492	Business Arising: Critical Dates 2009 DRAFT (EX4297)	PA	A revised Draft was distributed for the Board's comment. This was amended and finalised. K. Firth to distribute.	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-
BR493	Business Arising: Rollout of Electronic One Event Licences (EX4297)	BA	That MQ continues the rollout of Electronic One Event Licences which has been sanctioned by the MA Board and developed by MWA. The Board endorsed the electronic issue of one event licences on a national scale. This item is pending Council endorsement and the formal process circulated by MWA.	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that as of 3 rd February, R. Gill is actioning this item.	Council/ MWA	1/3/09
BR494	Business Arising: Release of Public Liability Insurance Policy Documents (EX4300)	BA	D. White advised that the Insurance Brokers have issues with releasing the document. The Board endorsed for the General and Products Liability Policy and Personal Accident Policy are to be posted on the MA website.	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that this item will be actioned by P. Fink on his return from Annual Leave.	WO	1/3/09
BR495	Business Arising: FIM Sidecar Gold Trophy Classification (EX4301)	BA	It is recommended that David White give the formal letter to the FIM at his earliest convenience stating support of the Sidecar Gold Trophy/World Sidecar Champions but only on Speedway tracks. D. White to write to Darrin Treloar and this item is to be raised at the next FIM meeting in February.	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that a teleconference has been arranged with D. Treloar to discuss this item. The teleconference is scheduled for Thursday 5 th February 2009.	CEO	1/3/09

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BR496	Business Arising: Licensed Measurers (EX4304)	BA	<p>Further to a previous meeting, the MQ Executive forwarded their comments as to the extent of assessment and qualifications of measurers.</p> <p>The MA Board endorsed for a process to be developed which must include practical testing. This item is to be referred to D. Rumble in liaison with A.Oberoi for development of a national process.</p>	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White advised that A.Oberoi is currently liaising with Derek Rumble in reference to this item.	CEO	1/3/09
BR497	Business Arising: CEO Report (EX4321)	CEO	<p><u>Budget 2009</u> D. White presented the 2009 Budget to the Board. The company will be operating a deficit of between \$200,000 & \$300,000.</p> <p>It was agreed that MA would progress with the current budget and the Board will reassess the situation in 3 months time.</p>	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-
BR498	Business Arising: Strategic Plan (EX4333)	OM	<p>The Board endorsed for the following leads to be changed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1 Events Officer 1.5 State Managers 1.6 National Development Officer 2.1 SCBs 2.2 SCBs 4.1 Communications Officer 7.1 Manager –Finance and Administration 7.3 Website Officer 7.4 Communications Officer <p>The update on the Strategic Plan was received.</p>	This item has been actioned and will be referred to the Council Meeting in March.	-	Council	1/3/09
BR499	Business Arising: Junior Coaching Program (EX4334)	OM	The Board agreed on the following way forward:	Information only. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	A.Weiss is to actioned this item ASAP.	OM	ASAP

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal be referred back to the Motocross and Junior Commissions for comment and response. • The Motocross and Junior Commissions responses are to be forwarded to the Coaching Committee for information and response. • A teleconference is then to be arranged between all the above Commissions and Committee to determine a recommendation to the Board. 				
BR500	Business Arising: World Moto Trials Event (EX4335)	KF	As per the Board Meeting in November, the Board encourages Trials Victoria to further develop a more detailed submission to include items such as funding, budget etc. K. Firth to advise Trials Victoria. In the interim an Expression of Interest will be lodged at the FIM.	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-
BR501	Business Arising: Appointment of Commissions (EX4336)	CCM	<p>The Board endorsed appointment to the Commissions.</p> <p>This item was referred to the Operations Manager to publicise.</p>	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-
BR502	Business Arising: Breach of rule 4.3.1.1 Code of Conduct (EX4336)	LB	<p>It is recommended that the Board review the correspondence and decide how to proceed with her claims of breach of code of conduct.</p> <p>The Board agreed that D. White is to respond to the allegations outlined in the email.</p>	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-

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BR503	Business Arising: Motor Sport Environmental Policy (EX4337)	CAMS	It is recommended that the Motor Sport Environmental policy as presented by CAMS is reviewed and a decision is made whether Motorcycling Australia explore this policy as a joint venture. D. White is to respond to CAMS.	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-
BR504	Business Arising: Officials Committee Terms of Reference (EX4340)	OP	The Board made amendments to the draft document and stated that the amended version is approved providing it is endorsed by the Panel.	The Board determined that another teleconference is to be held ASAP to discuss the following: - The drafting of the the Expression of Interests for new officials committee members. - Possible circulation of EOI's to potential candidates.		OCR P	1/3/09
BR505	Business Arising: General Business (EX4343)		<u>Australian Superbike Championship</u> The Draft Heads of Agreement for the Australian Superbike Championship was distributed for reference. B. Thomas to review and provide comments.	Information only.	This item has been actioned.	-	-
BR506	CEO Report	CEO	A verbal and written report was provided by David White.	Information only. Board meetings are to tart at 10am and finish at 3pm .from April Board Meeting.	<u>Terry O'Neill</u> An overview of a meeting held with Terry O'Neill was provided. <u>Under 16 Championship – Selection of the Field</u> Overview of the meeting held with Keith Anderson, father of the rider. The Board endorsed for a letter to be distributed to all the parents at the race meeting regarding code of conduct. <u>Airfence</u> D. White advised that the airfence has been ordered and the deposit paid.		

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					<p><u>Australian Superbike Championship</u> An update on the progression of the Australian Superbike Championship was provided.</p> <p><u>Barry Jones/Unofficial Practice</u> D. White provided an overview of the mediation conducted by Morton Rolfe on Friday 30th January. The report from the mediation was provided to the Board for reference.</p> <p><u>MA Budget</u> A status of the MA Budget was provided and possible solutions to reduction in expenditure were provided.</p> <p><u>Champion Ride Days</u> D. White provided an overview of the status of the Champion Ride Days Agreement.</p> <p>In reference to the issues with MNSW on this item, the Board request the ride days continue at Oran Park until this issue is discussed with the MNSW Board in March.</p> <p>R. Kivovitch to follow-up confirmation with Christine Tickner.</p> <p><u>Honda Broadford Bike Bonanza</u> D. White advised that the arrangements for this event are progressing.</p> <p><u>Board Meeting NSW</u> D. White advised that a Board Meeting with the MNSW Board is being planned to coincide with the March Board Meeting.</p> <p><u>David Parker</u> D. White provided an overview of his meeting with David Parker on 3rd February.</p>		

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					<p>The Board endorsed for a meeting of all Australia Speedway promoters and promoting clubs:</p> <p>a) Nationalised calendar b) Junior speedway development</p> <p><u>Overseas</u> D. White advised that he will be overseas from 10th February to 27th February.</p>		
BR507	Report – Manager Finance and Administration	MFA	Written report provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR508	Report – Manager Riders Division	MRD	Written report provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR509	Report – Operations Manager	OM	Written report provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR510	Report – Commissions and Committees Manager	CCM	Written reports provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR511	Report – Manager Risk & Compliance	MRC	Written report provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR512	Staff Report	CEO	CEO provided a verbal report on current staffing.	Received.	Information only.	-	-

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BR513	Financial Reports	MFA	<p>The following reports were submitted to the Board for review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Profit & Loss with Budget Analysis to 21st January 2009. Profit & Loss with Budget Analysis 2008 Balance Sheet as at 21st January 2009. Accounts Payable/Receivables as at 21st January 2009. 2009 Budget 	<p>The financial reports were considered by the Board and accepted.</p> <p>The Board requested that the CEO produce a plan with the aim of significantly reducing the deficit and the document be presented at the next Board Meeting.</p>	Information only.	CEO	1/3/09
BR514	MA Insurance Limited	CEO	<p>The following reports were submitted to the Board for review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Profit & Loss Account Solvency Margin Placement of Funds MAIL Cash on Deposit 	<p>Information only.</p> <p>Due to the scheduling of the MA Board Meeting, the Cash Statement for January had not yet arrived.</p> <p>K. Firth to distribute to the Board on receipt of the Cash Statement.</p>	-	PA	ASAP
BR515	Licence Statistics	OM	Licence figures for January were presented to the Board.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR516	Website Statistics	OM	Website statistics provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR517	Strategic Plan	OM	Briefing notes were provided to advise current progress on the Strategic Plan.	Received.	Information only.	-	-

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BR518	Item for Decision: Addition to rule 15.2.3.4	CCM	<p>The Commission recommends and asks the MA Board to approve the following addition to the rule.</p> <p>All lateral covers/engine cases containing oil and which could be in contact with the ground during a crash, must be protected by a second cover made from composite materials, type carbon or Kevlar, or be fitted with heavy duty crash resistant end cases made from solid metal.</p> <p>Plates and/or bars from aluminium or steel are also permitted. All these devices must be designed to be resistant against sudden shocks and must be fixed properly and securely. Bonding alone is not a suitable method of mounting.</p>	This item has been approved.	Received.	-	-
BR519	Item for Decision: Alteration to rule 17.12.3.7	CCM	<p>The MX Commission recommends that this rule be altered to read:</p> <p>“All competitors eligible for the U19 Championship in their first year of senior national competition must compete in the U19 years Championship.</p> <p>Exception may be granted by the MX Commission where a rider has been senior at State level for a period of time and can demonstrate his or her ability at State open events, or where exceptional circumstance (ie rider size) is more suited to the Open class.</p> <p>On having moved to Pro-Lite or Pro-Open events except as a wildcard entry then a competitor will no longer be eligible for the U19 years Championship series. This rule will be effective from January 1, 2009”.</p>	This item has been approved.	Received.	-	-

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BR520	Item for Decision: Strategic Plan	OM	It is recommended that leads on items 6.1 and 6.2 of the Strategic Plan be changed from MA CEO to MA CEO and MA RD Manager.	This item has been denied by the Board.	Received.	-	-
BR521	Item for Decision: Uniforms	DW	The Board are to discuss a supplier for the MA Uniforms.	This item has been held over until the next meeting. Sian to provide a comparative quote based on the samples Dan has obtained.	-	ITO	1/3/09
BR522	CEO Review	All	The MA CEO Review was conducted by the Board.	Information only.	-	-	-
BR523	General Business	All	General Business items were discussed.	B. Gledhill Speedway Sidecar invite extended to Board Members.	-	-	-
	Next Meeting	All	The next meeting will be held on 25 th March 2009.	Information only.	Received.	-	-

Meeting closed at 5.00pm.

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ACTION LIST
BOARD MEETING – 4 FEBRUARY 2009

Item No.	Action Item	Description	Responsible Officer	Date Raised	Date Due	Update
EX4346	Business Arising: Safety Committee (EX4265)	D. White provided a verbal update on A.Oberoi's meeting with CAMS in reference to a joint MA/CAMS Committee. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	A.Oberoi	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4347	Business Arising: Family Recreational Licences (EX3767)	D. White provided a verbal update following on from the State Manager's meeting on 16 th December. The State Managers determined that this item will be reviewed by the newly elected Licence Review Committee. A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	D. White	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4348	Business Arising: Safety Vests for Officials (EX3771)	D. White provided a verbal update following on from the State Manager's decision on 16 th December. It was determined by the State Managers that A.Oberoi is to seek legal advice in regards to this matter. A further update is to be provided at the next Board Meeting.	D. White	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4350	Business Arising: Political Terms of Reference	Riders Rights Committee - D. White advised that no further progress has been made on this item and a further update will be provided at the next meeting.	D. White	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4353	Business Arising: Rollout of Electronic One Event Licences (EX4297)	That MQ continues the rollout of Electronic One Event Licences which has been sanctioned by the MA Board and developed by MWA. The Board endorsed the electronic issue of one	Council/MWA	4/2/09	11/3/09	

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		event licences on a national scale. This item is pending Council endorsement and the formal process circulated by MWA.				
EX4354	Business Arising: Release of Public Liability Insurance Policy Documents (EX4300)	<p>D. White advised that the Insurance Brokers have issues with releasing the document.</p> <p>The Board endorsed for the General and Products Liability Policy and Personal Accident Policy are to be posted on the MA website.</p>	P. Fink	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4355	Business Arising: FIM Sidecar Gold Trophy Classification (EX4301)	<p>It is recommended that David White give the formal letter to the FIM at his earliest convenience stating support of the Sidecar Gold Trophy/World Sidecar Champions but only on Speedway tracks.</p> <p>D. White to write to Darrin Treloar and this item is to be raised at the next FIM meeting in February.</p> <p>D. White advised that a teleconference has been arranged with D. Treloar to discuss this item. The teleconference is scheduled for Thursday 5th February 2009.</p>	D. White	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4356	Business Arising: Licensed Measurers (EX4304)	<p>Further to a previous meeting, the MQ Executive forwarded their comments as to the extent of assessment and qualifications of measurers.</p> <p>The MA Board endorsed for a process to be developed which must include practical testing. This item is to be referred to D. Rumble in liaison with A. Oberoi for development of a national process.</p>	D. White	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4358	Business Arising: Strategic Plan (EX4333)	<p>The Board endorsed for the following leads to be changed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1 Events Officer 1.5 State Managers 1.6 National Development Officer 2.1 SCBs 	Council	4/2/09	11/3/09	

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		2.2 SCBs 4.1 Communications Officer 7.1 Manager –Finance and Administration 7.3 Website Officer 7.4 Communications Officer The update on the Strategic Plan was received. This item has been actioned and will be referred to the Council Meeting in March.				
EX4359	Business Arising: Junior Coaching Program (EX4334)	The Board agreed on the following way forward: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal be referred back to the Motocross and Junior Commissions for comment and response. • The Motocross and Junior Commissions responses are to be forwarded to the Coaching Committee for information and response. A teleconference is then to be arranged between all the above Commissions and Committee to determine a recommendation to the Board. A.Weiss is to actioned this item ASAP.	A.Weiss	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4364	Business Arising: Officials Committee Terms of Reference (EX4340)	The Board determined that another teleconference is to be held ASAP to discuss the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The drafting of the the Expression of Interests for new officials committee members. - Possible circulation of EOI's to potential candidates. 	OCRP	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4373	Financial Reports	The financial reports were considered by the Board and accepted. The Board requested that the CEO produce a plan with the aim of significantly reducing the deficit and the document be presented at the next Board Meeting.	D. White	4/2/09	11/3/09	

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EX4374	MA Insurance Limited	<p>Due to the scheduling of the MA Board Meeting, the Cash Statement for January had not yet arrived.</p> <p>K. Firth to distribute to the Board on receipt of the Cash Statement.</p>	K. Firth	4/2/09	11/3/09	
EX4381	Item for Decision: Uniforms	his item has been held over until the next meeting. Sian to provide a comparative quote based on the samples Dan has obtained.	S.Smith	4/2/09	11/3/09	ITO