

## Board of Directors Report – February 2011

Report from the Board of Directors meeting held at Motorcycling Australia, 147 Montague Street, South Melbourne on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011.

**PRESENT:** Stephen Foody                      President (Chair)  
Les Thomas                                  Vice President  
Lyal Allen                                      Director  
Ray Jonkers                                  Director  
Beach Thomas                                Director

**In Attendance:** David White                      CEO  
Kipley Firth                                    Administrator  
Ivan Golding                                  Motorcycling SA Representative

**Apologies:** Rhys Griffiths                      Industry Appointed Director

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BR1415	<b>Welcome/Apologies</b>	SF	The President welcomed those present and opened the meeting.	Received.	-	-	-
BR1416	<b>Confirmation of Minutes</b>	SF	Minutes of the meeting held on 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2010 were distributed for reference.	Received.	-	-	-
BR1417	<b>Ratification of Teleconference Minutes</b>	SF	The following Board teleconference minutes were ratified for the following dates: - December 20 <sup>th</sup> 2010 - January 18 <sup>th</sup> 2011 - January 28 <sup>th</sup> 2011	Received.	-	-	-
BR1418	<b>CEO Report</b>	CEO	Written and verbal reports were provided.	Commission Meetings D. White provided an overview of the recent complaints regarding the changes to the annual commission meetings.	-	-	-

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				<p><u>Tailem Bend Project</u> An update on the Tailem Bend Project was provided to the Board for information.</p> <p><u>Speedway – Australian Championships – Leigh Adams</u> D. White provided an overview of a meeting held with Leigh Adams regarding the Speedway Championship. D. White presented numerous ideas arising from this meeting which will improve the championship. The MA Board is interested in progressing his involvement in the Australian Speedway Championship.</p> <p><u>Venue Inspectors Course</u> It was advised that 2 Venue Inspectors Courses have been arranged in the April/May period.</p> <p><u>Venue Standards</u> This document has been finalised.</p> <p><u>Barrabool/McAdam Park</u> An update on the mediation terms with the residents group through their solicitor Phillip Fox.</p> <p><u>Trail Bike Project - Queensland</u> Motorcycling Queensland are seeking a loan from MAIL for \$600000 to assist in the development of a trail bike park.</p>			
BR1419	<b>Staff Report</b>	CEO	A verbal staffing report was provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1420	<b>Report – Manager Finance and Administration</b>	MFA	Written report provided for November.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1421	<b>Report – Manager Riders</b>	MRD	No reported has been provided.	Noted.	-	-	-

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BR1422	Report – Operations Manager	OM	Written report provided for November.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1423	Report – Commissions and Committees Manager	CCM	Written report provided for November.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1424	Report – Manager Risk & Compliance	RCM	Written report provided for November.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1425	Financial Reports	MFA	The following reports were submitted to the Board for review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Profit &amp; Loss with Budget Analysis to January 2010.</li> <li>Profit &amp; Loss with Budget Analysis 2010</li> <li>Balance Sheet as at January 2010.</li> <li>Accounts Payable/Receivables as at January 2010.</li> </ul>	Received.  D. White to check the amount of income for the media services provided by MA to the Australian Motocross Championship.	Information only.	CEO	1/3/11
BR1426	MA Insurance Limited	CEO	The following reports were submitted to the Board for review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cash Statement Mail December 2010.</li> <li>Management Accounts December 2010.</li> </ul>	Received.  D. White commented that for the first time since inception, MAIL has made a loss in the 2010 year.	Information only.	-	-
BR1427	Licence Statistics	OM	Licence Statistics for December 2010 & January 2011 were provided.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1428	Website Statistics	OM	Website statistics for December 2010 & January 2011 were provided.	Received.  The quarterly Sporting Pulse report is to be added to the Council Agenda.	Information only.	PA	1/3/11
BR1429	Strategic Plan	OM	A Strategic Plan update for January	Received.	Information only.	-	-

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			2011 was provided.	It was noted that Item '7.2 – Insurance to become Self-Funding through investments' may need to be readdressed.			
BR1430	<b>Item for Decision: Minimoto Rule Changes</b>	OM	Draft rules (attached as an appendix to these minutes) were circulated for the Board to approve.	It was decided that the current rules are to be suspended, these draft rules are only apply to the Minimoto round at Phillip Island in 3 weeks. This decision is subject to the Road Race Commission's approval of the rules.  The rules are to be suspended from Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2011 – 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2011 on the proviso that a report on the meeting is provided at the March Board Meeting.	The Board's rationale is to get feedback on the rule.	CCM	ASAP
BR1431	<b>Item for Decision: Quad Rule Changes</b>	OM	Draft rules (attached as an appendix to these minutes) were circulated for the Board to approve.	The Board agreed that the Quad rules documented in the 2011 MoMs will be suspended until 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2011. The draft rules presented to the Board are to be in place until 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2011.  B. French to arrange for the implementation of these rules to be communicated effectively.	-	BF/CO	ASAP
BR1432	<b>Item for Decision: MA Budget</b>	MFA	The 2011 Budget was circulated for approval.	The Board approved the 2011 budget as presented.	-	-	-
BR1433	<b>Item for Decision: Smoking Signs</b>	RCM	C. Lawrence recommended additional smoking signs at venues.	The Board have approved this recommendation.	-	-	-
BR1434	<b>Item for Discussion: ACCA Records</b>	LA	Discussion was held regarding the extensive records held by AR Wallis pertaining to ACCA.	The Board agreed that L. Allen is to commence discussions with A. Wallis in securing these files.	-	LA	24/3/11
BR1435	<b>Item for Discussion: Commissioner Selection Process</b>	RJ	Discussion was held regarding the process in which MA Commissioners are selected.	The Board decided that the following needs to occur: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application forms to be more comprehensive.</li> <li>• Applicants may be interviewed by</li> </ul>	-	OM	ASAP

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				<p>telephone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nominees are to be sent to the respective SCBs for their comment/recommendations.</li> </ul>			
BR1436	<b>Item for Discussion: Commission Selection Process for 2012</b>	OM	B. French presented an overview of the Commissions process for the finalisation of the 2012 GCRS.	The Board noted this process.	-	OM	ASAP
BR1437	<b>Item for Information: National Officials Committee Minutes</b>	CCM	The minutes from the National Officials Committee meeting from 24 <sup>th</sup> January were presented for information.	Information only.	-	-	-
BR1438	<b>Item for Information: MNSW Board Meeting Report</b>	CEO	A report from the meeting held between MA and the MNSW Board was presented for information.	The Board supports the proposed actions as outlined in the report on Junior Coaching, Commission/Committees applications, Dirt Track Clerk of Course, Rule Change Implementation, Venue Standards, Venue Inspection Courses, Calendar of events, and the Medical Review.	-	-	-
BR1439	<b>Item for Information: VCAT Report</b>	CEO	A report from the VCAT Hearing held on 31 <sup>st</sup> January and 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2011 was presented for information.	Information only.	-	-	-
BR1440	<b>Item for Information: Coorong Property Group</b>	SF	S. Foody circulated documentation pertaining to the Taillem Bend project.	<p>Information only.</p> <p>The Board endorsed for an expression of interest letter to be drafted, subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subject to Business Plan</li> <li>Financial Projections</li> <li>Agreement between Coorong Council and Coorong Properties Group</li> <li>Financials</li> <li>Contract Purchase Documents</li> </ul>	-	CEO	17/2/11
BR1441	<b>Williams Event Management</b>	WEM	K. Williams attended the meeting and provided an update on the status of	Information only.	-	-	-

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			the Australian Motocross series for 2011.				
BR1442	<b>Board Correspondence: Amateur Series</b>	WEM	K. Williams provided an overview of the proposal for the Australian Amateur Motocross Grand Prix. This will allow for amateurs to obtain exposure at a national level.	The Board approved the proposal for the Australian Amateur Motocross Grand Prix.	-	CEO	ASAP
BR1443	<b>Board Correspondence: A4DE</b>	JH	Correspondence from J. Hand requesting sponsorship was considered by the Board.	The Board is not in a position to support the financial assistance for the A4DE.	-	-	-
BR1444	<b>Business Arising: MNSW Meeting (EX5357)</b>	BA	S. Foody is to contact C. Tickner in reference to her letter and propose a joint MNSW/MA Board meeting in January 2011.	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-
BR1445	<b>Business Arising: Sporting Pulse Report (EX5361)</b>	BA	Sporting Pulse report is to be added to the Council Agenda for information.	This item has been noted.	-	-	-
BR1446	<b>Business Arising: National Officials Committee Minutes (EX5375)</b>	BA	The NOC will be asked to recommend appropriate stewards (2 options for each event) for coming events to be confirmed by the Board. Promoters for Australian Championship will be required to submit recommendations (2) for the position of Clerk of Course. The Board requested that all people who are eligible for a job is given an opportunity to contribute.	Noted.	-	-	-
BR1447	<b>Business Arising: Working with Children (EX5166)</b>	BA	This item has been referred to the Operations Manager to arrange an appropriate time for staff training. B. French to provide an update at the next meeting.	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-
BR1448	<b>Business Arising: Critical Dates Listing</b>	BA	<u>Critical Dates Listing</u> The following amendments are to be	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-

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	(EX5391)		<p>made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove January Board Meeting.</li> <li>Kevin Williams to attend the meeting in February.</li> <li>Commissions Meetings are to begin ASAP to discuss rule changes. Note: There is not going to be meeting of all commissions.</li> <li>D. White will be absent for the Board meeting in June.</li> </ul>				
BR1449	<b>Business Arising: Event Attendance (EX5391)</b>	BA	<p><u>Event Attendance</u> Draft Calendars for event attendance were circulated to the Board. The following amendments are to be made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>January 8 – Ray Jonkers</li> <li>January 22 – Lyal Allen</li> <li>Replace S. Foody – 22 January</li> </ul>	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-

Meeting was adjourned at 5.10pm.

The meeting reconvened via teleconference on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011, at 7.30pm EST.

BR1450	<b>Board Correspondence: Speedway</b>	MS	Correspondence from M. Sterry regarding Speedway was considered by the Board.	The Board have reviewed the letter and endorsed the following action: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The letter be forwarded to the parties as outlined in the letter.</li> <li>• D.White to send a letter of acknowledgement and invite M. Sterry to apply for a position on the Board, Council or Commissions.</li> </ul>	-	CEO	2/3/11
BR1451	<b>Business Arising: Eastern Creek (EX5357)</b>	BA	The issues concerning Eastern Creek and the ASBK were discussed at length.	This item has been deferred to the next Board Meeting.	-	Board	23/3/11
BR1452	<b>Business Arising: MNSW Meeting (EX5357)</b>	BA	S. Foody is to contact C. Tickner in reference to her letter and propose a joint MNSW/MA Board meeting in January 2011.	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-
BR1453	<b>Business Arising: MNSW Meeting (EX5357)</b>	BA	D. White stated that there is proposal to run a Mini Moto Championship at Phillip Island in March 2011. D. White stated that an opportunity to relaunch the discipline has been presented but the following is required: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Championship Status</li> <li>2. 5 each both for seniors and juniors (10 classes in total)</li> <li>3. One Event National Licence at \$66 as a one off.</li> <li>4. Participants and Organisers take steps to organise a national committee.</li> </ol> <p>The Board have endorsed this item to be referred to the Executive Committee. A teleconference of the Executive Committee is to be arranged to discuss this matter.</p>	This has been actioned.	-	-	-
BR1454	<b>Business Arising:</b>	BA	The Board endorse this	This item has been actioned.	-	-	-



	<b>Licensing for Support Classes at WMX (EX5369)</b>		recommendation in principle and have referred this matter to the Executive Committee for approval.				
BR1455	<b>Business Arising: Rule Interpretation (EX5371)</b>	BA	The Board have rejected this recommendation. D. White to respond to R. Gill.	D. White will provide a further update at the next meeting.	-	CEO	23/3/11
BR1456	<b>Business Arising: Gillman Sponsorship (EX5372)</b>	BA	The Board have not endorsed this recommendation. D. White to respond.	D. White will provide a further update at the next meeting.	-	CEO	23/3/11
BR1457	<b>Business Arising: Quad Committee Minutes (EX5373)</b>	BA	This item will be put on the agenda for next year.	This item has been addressed as a separate item on the agenda.	-	-	-
BR1458	<b>Business Arising: MA Budget 2011 (EX5374)</b>	BA	The MA Budget for 2011 was circulated for consideration. To be approved at February Meeting.	This item has been addressed as a separate item on the agenda.	-	-	-
BR1459	<b>Business Arising: Champions Ride Days (EX5318)</b>	BA	D. White to review the documentation pertaining to the Champions Ride Days debt.	A further update is to be provided at the next meeting.	-	CEO/ MFA	23/3/11
BR1460	<b>Business Arising: National Promotions (EX5331)</b>	BA	This item is to be referred to the State Managers Meeting in 2011. A further update to be provided following this meeting.	This item is to be referred to the State Managers Meeting in April.	-	SCBs	April 2011
BR1461	<b>Business Arising: Appeal Fees (EX5333)</b>	BA	It was recommended that rule 12.3 be changed to read:  Protest Fee: \$70.00 Appeal fee (to SCB) \$750 Appeal fee (to MA) \$2000  The Board have deferred this item for consideration with the rule changes for 2012.	This item has been deferred to the August Board Meeting.	-	Board	August 2011
BR1462	<b>Business Arising: Freestyle Motocross (EX5333)</b>	BA	The Board have endorsed this recommendation and requested P. Jamieson supply CVs for other potential committee members.	At this stage no information has been provided and this item will be removed from the agenda.	-	-	-

			The Board are awaiting information from Paul Jamieson.				
BR1463	<b>Business Arising: Commission Meetings (EX5391)</b>	BA	The MA Board stated that in future there will not be a meeting of all Commissions. In future the commissions will meet individually in the most economical location.  B. French is to develop the new format for rule changes to be presented to the Board.	This item has been held over to the next Board Meeting.	-	Board	23/3/11
BR1464	<b>Australian Superbike Championship</b>	IEG	A letter from Y. Konsky was circulated for the Board's perusal.	The Board agreed that MA responded as follows <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MA are unable to commit funds at this stage.</li> <li>• Other matters raised in the correspondence will be discussed at the next Board meeting</li> </ul>	There have been numerous suggestions in which to improve the Championship: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting becomes 2 days.</li> <li>• 1 bike per competitor (similar to the British Superbike Championship).</li> </ul> D White stated that Y Konsky is meeting with CEO to maintain contact with industry representatives to continue to develop the Superbike Championship, these discussions would include possibility of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 day meeting</li> <li>• 1 bike per competitor ( similar to British Superbike Championship)</li> <li>• Restrictions on use of electronics</li> </ul> At this stage MA cannot commit funds for 2012	-	-
BR1465	<b>Rule Change Approval: &lt;15 entries to constitute an Australian Championship for ASBK</b>	CEO	D. White recommended that the Board approve for less than 15 entries for a class can constitute an Australian Championship status for ASBK for all rounds of the 2011 championship.	The Board has endorsed this recommendation.	-	-	-
BR1466	<b>Supercross Championship 2011</b>	CEO	The 2011 Supercross Championship was discussed.	Settlement of Zero has been finalised. Fees for 2011 have been set.	Information only.	-	-

	<b>and beyond</b>						
BR1467	<b>Supercross 2010 – Lap-timing/Time-keeping issue</b>	CEO	D. White stated that this is an ongoing issue and provided a verbal update.	Received.	Information only.	-	-
BR1468	<b>General Business</b>	All	General Business Items were discussed.	<p>TV Sponsorship for Sidecar Championship S. Foody advised that Ivan Golding has been following up on a decision for this sponsorship.</p> <p>The Board have rejected this application for sponsorship.</p> <p><u>VCAT Mediation</u> D. White advised that this did not occur. As a result, D. White has been communicating with Paul Morgan in an attempt to conclude the matter. A meeting was scheduled last week, and was cancelled by Paul Morgan. It was agreed that this matter will be resolved through the solicitors.</p> <p>D. White has also met with I. Fullagar regarding the associated legal costs.</p> <p><u>Surf Coast Shire</u> D. White advised that a cheque for half of the funding has been received.</p> <p><u>Farmer</u> D. White advised that he has met with Jim Seager regarding the agreement and associated rent. D. White noted that J. Seager has made considerable improvements to the property &amp; the costs incurred will be adjusted against the rent.</p> <p><u>Staff</u> D. White advised that Board that K. Firth has resigned and will not be replaced. S. Beasley is going to do 1 day extra per week and move upstairs.</p>	-	-	-

				<u>AORC</u> The first round was over the weekend and this occurred with a state round in NSW.  <u>WSBK</u> The three day crowd for the weekend was the similar to same as last years despite the weather.		
	<b>Next Meeting</b>	All	The next meeting is scheduled for March 2011.	Noted.		

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