

Ramblers Cycling Club AGM

17th April 2019

Havelock North Function Centre, Havelock North

Present: Karreen Mathers, Kirsty McCallum, Don Kennedy, William Green, Marg Porter, Gavin Bush, Dave Leary, Ben Earnshaw, Strat Ellingham, Darryl Strachan, Warren Foulds, Carole Atkins, Ivan Aplin, Jason Kelly, Hilary Green, Steve Drake, Brian Kelly, Steve Watson, Dave McCallum, Carol McCallum, Kerry Harford, Josh Page, Chris York, Steve Nicholls, David Lay, Michelle Hutchins

Apologies

Roxanne Kelly, Peter Weskett, Andy Horne, Kent Hutchins, Nicolas Monroy, Ray Brown

Moved: Ben Earnshaw

Seconded: Gavin Bush

Carried

Previous Minutes

From the 2018 AGM Minutes the following matters were addressed:

- Jason Kelly asked the chairman weather the survey that was agreed to be done was completed to members, this was done 18 months ago but not within the past 12 months.
 - Don Kennedy replied that the information we received from the previous survey wasn't clear and there were no clear patterns in the answers.

Moved: Don Kennedy

Seconded: Gavin Bush

Carried

Chairs Report

Don Kennedy read his report, comments to follow his report were:

- Ivan Aplin re-iterated Jason's point about the survey. If the survey had been done, we could have found a few answers to why racing was on the decline.
- Brian Kelly thanked Don Kennedy for his time as chairman and takes his hat off to him for his hard work.

Moved: Don Kennedy

Seconded: Kirsty McCallum

Carried

Treasurers Report:

Karreen Mathers went through the important points of the report, please see attached full report.

- Jason Kelly questioned why the interest was double last years value, Karreen confirmed that the interest from last year was incorrect and has been amended.

- HBT Annual Sponsorship was not clearly labeled and Karreen agreed to change the title for this.
- Ivan Aplin questioned what the value HBT was sponsoring the club
- Ivan Aplin asked when the “loss” was first identified? Reply discussions included:
 - Club racing is definitely losing money, due to increased costs and decreasing numbers.
 - Special events throughout the year that were expected to bring in a profit didn’t (Tour of the Bay)
 - Yes, the loss is going to continue unless something is actioned.
 - Jason Kelly mentioned that visiting riders or rides who are not financial members are not prepared to pay \$20 to race.
- Karreen mentioned the CHB – RCC associated membership was a good idea, but only 4 members took advantage of this. Someone suggested we could look at offering this to the MTB club also.
- Marg Porter expressed her concerns that she wasn’t aware that we paid SVS \$850 per race and now understands why we are losing money, could we possibly change to every fortnight/alternative weekend instead of racing every weekend.
- Gavin Bush questioned how many ‘individual people’ we have attracted over the year, Kirsty McCallum replied that over 200 individual people have raced over the past year, but not regularly.
- Ben Earnshaw mentioned how if we raced fortnightly there would be more of an urge for people to attend the races, and thinks that if we stop racing over winter/6 months of the year that people will loose interest in racing and may just turn to social rides.
- Kerry Harford reminded the AGM that there is a minimum number attending races that we can then negotiate with SVS their contract.
- Warren Foulds told everyone that we are not alone, that other clubs are struggling also. An example the Sailing Club are having similar issues.
- Don Kennedy mentioned there are more and more ‘big’ events out of town and we are competing with them.

Karreen’s report was moved that it be a true and accurate record of Ramblers Cycling Clubs financial position.

Moved: Karreen Mathers

Seconded: Ben Earnshaw

Carried

Notices

There were no notices to present

Upcoming Events

Age Group Nationals, best of luck from the Chairman to all riders.

Elections

The following people were nominated and approved for their positions:

Kirsty McCallum is to continue to be the Club Administrator for 2019/2020

Chairman		
Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
Yet to be confirmed		
Club Captain		
Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
Yet to be confirmed		
Club Treasurer		
Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
Karreen Mathers	Kirsty McCallum	Don Kennedy
Committee		
Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
Ben Earnshaw	Kirsty McCallum	Karreen Mathers
Dave Leary	Kirsty McCallum	Karreen Mathers
Hilary Green	Kirsty McCallum	Karreen Mathers
Steve Drake	Kirsty McCallum	Karreen Mathers
Darryl Strachan	Ben Earnshaw	Warren Foulds
Carole Bone	Michelle Hutchins	Ivan Aplin

The Club Patron was approved to be Rob Oliver again for 2019/2020

The Club Reviewer was discussed and agreed that we need to approach Caroline Thomson again and determine whether she is interested or not.

All nominations were approved and agreed.

Moved: Don Kennedy

Seconded: All

Carried

General Business

Discussions were held around:

- Major events that we hold, we need to be much more proactive with our advertising with the events. The reason Gentle Annie did so well was because there was 12 months preparation and advertising, compared to Easter Tour which may suffer due to the limited promotion time.
- Forward planning of the race calendar, where we know there is a big race happening out of town which could potentially take away riders from Saturday races that we look at not holding a race that weekend.

- We need to make an announcement to the members as to the current situation of the club, where we are at. Reality is that not all members come to the AGM and there are a large amount in the club who could benefit from knowing what's happening.
- The age of our riders in the club are getting older, and with getting older comes losing the drive to race hard every weekend and may be some are turning into more social riders to enjoy themselves.
- The club is failing to engage with members and interact with them as to what they really want, they are our customers and we are running a business.

There was no further business, Don Kennedy thanked all members for attending the AGM and the meeting ended at 8.15pm