

Draft Minutes General Meeting

Thursday 28 July 2016

Location: The Woolshed, Stratton St, Normandale, Lower Hutt, 7:00 pm

Present: Matt Clarke, Angus Cotton, Dan Forster, Ron Harfield Bruce McHardy, Marco Renall and Paul Scoble.

Apologies: Wayne Boness and Jeremy Paterson (GWRC)

Minutes last General Meeting 25 May 2016

Minutes have been circulated to the committee. Minutes were approved on a motion from Matt seconded by Ron. Minutes are to be posted on the BAMBA web site.

1. Financial Report

Presented by Angus Last meeting

Bank balance	\$750.86

Expenditure since last meeting

Meeting refreshments \$22.91

Income since last meeting

Trail Funds donation	\$1500.00
Ammando from Andre Oliver@VMWARE	184.17

Balance <u>\$2412.12</u>

2. PURCHASES

Authorisation was granted for:

Matt to buy two locks for tool chest and woolshed store door.

Angus to arrange the purchase two Hilti hoes one is a replacement for missing hoe and an extra hoe will greatly assist with track construction.

2. GWRC Update. (Paul)

2.1. Hill Rd Uphill Connector Trail

The consenting process work on the track is taking longer than expected and the start could be delayed beyond November 2016.

2.2 Weta Trail Stumps

GWRC rangers have used explosives to remove the troublesome tree stumps beside the lower Weta track to allow for improvements to the trail.

2.3 Native Tree Planting Lower Bull Run August.

Date of planting has been set for Sunday 14 August but this date has yet to be confirmed by Jeremy.

3. Trails

3.1. Connect Four

The Trail is still waiting official sign off by GWRC.

It is believed by the committee that Milton Bradley will have no issues in use of the name Connect Four.

The signage required for the track is to be supplied by Fine Signs for free hopefully by mid-August.

GWRC has yet to supply 8 NO HORSE disks for posting at intersections with Bridle track

3.2 Weta

The stumps were removed to allow better alignment of the trail.

The approach to the bridge was realigned and the top section was redone.

Water shedding and run off modifications have been successful.

The work remaining is to tweak the inside corner of the new section and work on two lower sections over the next working bees

3.3. Choppers Replacement

Except for the bottom section the Choppers replacement trail has been marked and tagged by Paul and Craig. The proposed trail is a lot longer than initial expected. This has occurred because of the need to keep the track descending smoothly without any gnarly connecting descents and to be well within the grade 3 specification.

Next tasks are:

- Tag the bottom section
- GPS the trail route.
- Report to GWRC track detail.
- Apply for GWRC approval.
- Decide trail name.

Progress on approval has been stymied by the difficulty of arranging meetings with the ranger Jeremy who is very busy.

The lack of progress in gaining approval of the trail before the BNZ closed day has meant Bamba are unable to use the BNZ voluntary labour.

3.4. Bull Run

The maintenance required is minor tweaking on lower section bend and ruts.

3.5. 4 Degrees

Nettles at edge of trail require spraying.

3.6. Grade 5 Downhill

Not progressed after propose route abandoned.

4. Publicity and Public Relations

The club requires more volunteers as numbers at digs have fallen off compared to previous years. It is thought that more publicity about the club and trails and more involvement with MTB riders will increase the numbers of volunteers.

Suggestions put forward to achieve this objective were:

- Aggressive use of Facebook to publicise digs and events as Facebook is currently the
 most popular personal communication in use today. People tend to visit the Bamba web
 site for information and not day to day news so visits are infrequent. Angus is to action
 Facebook updates.
- Bamba Ride day. Monthly 2 hour ride, say 9.30 to 11.30am, over the Parks intermediate trails lead by Bamba members starting in September.

5. Revenue Raising Projects

5.1. Karma Keg at Queen of Jackson Bar

With the agreement of the meeting Dan Forster is to apply for the opportunity to receive the takings from the Karma keg on a Saturday afternoon. To be successful this will require the active participation of all your drinking friends to imbibe long and pay much for the privilege.

5.2 Woolshed Productions BBQ

Supply food and labour to cook burgers before the show on Sunday 13 November.

5.3 Cycle Science/PNP MTB Race Round 4 Belmont Regional Park

The race date is the 6 November 2016 and club is to provide some officials.

6. Charities Annual Return

Bamba is a registered charity. A new requirement for annual return are the home address and date of birth of the club's officers.

7. Summary of Actions Arising

Working Bee 31 July. Bull run or Weta depending on the weather.

All
Arrange audit of club finances.

Finalise Choppers replacement route and GPS the proposed trail

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Paul Apply to GWRC for approval to build choppers replacement Trail. Trail signs for Connect Four. Chase up printer Fine Signs Matt?? Confirm GWRC sign off on completion of Connect Four. Paul/Wayne 8 "NO HORSE" disks for Connect Four. Wayne Post details of club's fortnightly work parties and club events on Facebook. **Angus** Confirm readiness to accept offer of fun raiser at Woolshed concert by 21/8/16. ΑII Advise addresses and DOB for Charity annual return. Bruce Suggestions of name for Choppers replacement trail. ΑII

6. Next Meeting

Scheduled for 7.00 pm Thursday 25 August at Stratton St Woolshed.

Bruce McHardy, Secretary, BAMBA