



## **Draft MINUTES OF BAMBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 7.00pm Thursday 25 May - 2017**

Location: The Woolshed, Stratton St, Normandale, Lower Hutt

### **Present**

Paul Scoble (Chairman), Matt Clarke, Angus Cotton, Dan Forster, Ron Harfield, Aiden Komarkowski, Karl Laurence, Craig McGinnity, Bruce McHardy, Marco Renall and Barbie and Andrew Tollison.  
Wayne Boness (GWRC).

**Apology;** Jeremy Paterson (GWRC)

### **1. Minutes of last AGM Meeting 29 September 2016**

All present received a copy of the minutes from Bruce. It was moved by Matt and seconded by Karl that the minutes were true and correct. Motion carried

### **2. Annual Financial Report**

The report was presented by Angus Cotton

Bamba paid a total of **\$6,667.26** in expenses during the financial year, with notable ( $\geq$ \$200) expenses as follows:

- \$4,508.00 for Valley Landscapes to complete the Connect Four trail.
- \$402.50 for digger hire which allowed work on Electric Avenue by Paul Lissette.
- \$259.99 for Trail Fund Hilti Hoes.
- \$375.00 Cycling NZ and MTBNZ affiliation fees.
- \$251.03 for Hamburger fundraiser supplies.

Bamba earned a total of **\$4,236.81** in income and interested during the financial year, with notable ( $\geq$ \$100) items as follows:

- \$1500.00 grant from Trail Fund
- \$535.00 from PNP Belmont Round races.
- \$250.00 donation from Maxam Corporation

- \$450.00 donation from Paul Hastings & Company (2 donations)
- \$429.50 donation from Karma Keg Fundraising
- \$184.17 donation from Andre Oliver
- \$840.00 gross income, Hamburger sales at “Sons of Bitches” with Mel Parsons.

Balance at start of financial year 2016/2017		<b>\$5,395.27</b>
plus income	\$4,231.12	
plus interest earned	\$5.69	
less expenses	\$6,667.26	
Balance at end of financial year 2016/2017		<b>\$2,964.82</b>

Note: The club has \$10 credit in Paypal and \$199.52 in Givealittle from donations.

The motion that the accounts were true and fair was carried by the meeting.

### **3. Presidents Report 2016 - 17.**

Paul Scoble’s Report:

I recently took some time whilst completing our promo presentation for an open day to look back over the past 7 years since I joined BAMBA in late 2010 and I thought it would be prudent to remind us all of what has occurred and what BAMBA has achieved over those years gone. I was pleasantly reminded, whilst searching through the photo and video files, of what we have accomplished as a small group since the logging commenced in late 2012 when we all lost 5 great trails in the Danzig Pine block area. The trail names: Last Sun, The Slide, Choppers, Big Weta and of course Danzig are all but distant memories now. Sweeping through those pines is a pastime long gone, however as we are required to adapt and move with the changes it is great to look on what has been achieved since those trails were lost.

We started with “Bull-a-Varde” in 2012 and then officially opened “Bull Run” in Dec 2013. Following on from Bull Run we completed our grade 4 downhill trail from the top of Old Coach Road to Stratton Street and bingo “Borderline” was born and opened in Nov 2014. A gas line trail from View point Pylon was then cleared in 2015 ready for a PNP race and we named that “Naked Flame”.

Late 2015 saw the official opening of the GWRC funded 4 Degrees trail built by Paul O’Hagan and his boys from Valley Landscapes. This 2 way trail gave us all the long awaited uphill replacement for Danzig. This trail is still used as the primary way up from the bottom of Stratton Street to Old Coach Road.

BAMBA created Weta in 2015 and tweaked it again in 2016, then moved forward with “Connect Four” being completed in May 2016 and then of course our greatest and newest downhill only trail “Electric Avenue” was done and dusted and ready to rock in March of this year. And now we wait with baited breath for GWRC to start and complete the long awaited uphill from Hill road, plus Cowboys new grade 5 downhill, – These will be awesome for the park too just like the others now constructed.

Looking back, it sure is pleasing to see how far we have come since 2012.

Our relationship with GWRC is stronger than ever.

We have in place a good MoU and we have been able to work well with both the Park Ranger (Jeremy) and the Principle Ranger (Wayne Boness).

We are also lucky enough to have on board people such as Paul O'Hagan and his staff plus others like Paul Lissette from "Dirt Mechanics who freely give up their time and expertise to assist us when they can.

Naturally I must also make mention of the two key organisations who have also helped the club over past and also in recent times. Both Trail Fund NZ and Ground Effect have helped us immensely and without their invaluable funding things sure would have been a lot tougher for us and the riders who benefit too.

So a huge high-five and cheers to all the above for your massive support!

This year and the last have been busy for me as President however I can happily say that I have enjoyed most of the challenges I have had to face. In the past as Secretary or in the role as President it has been a very rewarding time. Yes, there is no doubt that at times it has been taxing but I guess if it was always easy then perhaps it would have become boring.

This year however I have decided to take a good step back and remove myself from the committee altogether. For me I feel it is time for a good break away from all the arranging and other related tasks I have had to carry out.

Now is as good a time as any to allow others to step up and give what they have to offer. I will of course still be around and more than happy to show up for a dig here and there, however my plan is to get out and enjoy those trails a lot more than I have been able to do.

I would therefore like to take this opportunity to personally thank a few people before I stand down!

To Wayne Boness (GWRC Principal Ranger) – It is great that you and I have worked closely together when required and that we have always had good clear communications with each other. It is appreciated that BAMBA has had that important clear and transparent relationship with you and GWRC as a whole. What's more I have appreciated your help and assistance over the years. Cheers and huge thanks to you.

To Jeremy Patterson (GWRC Ranger) – I can't say enough about your invaluable time and assistance over these past few years when we have worked closely together more than ever. I have enjoyed working with you and I will truly miss those times. Again it has been great that we could have frank and open discussions, we can both call a spade a spade, yet still get on with the job and help each other out where required and still always have a laugh together no matter what. A massive thank you for the recent effort you also put into making Electric Avenue what it is today, only you and I will ever know how much time we spent on that trail, (ok maybe our wives too), but I must say that if it was not for your huge effort and assistance we would still be up there digging.

To Paul O'Hagan (Valley Landscapes) – Thank you to you and your guy's efforts – especially on Electric Avenue recently. Your advice and time given to assist is also invaluable. I only hope BAMBA can continue this partnership well into the future.

Thanks to Amanda Cox from GWRC plus Peter Matcham from FoBRP for the on-going relationships, they are appreciated.

So this brings me to the end of my spiel so to speak. I stated last year that I truly hoped the trail Electric Avenue would see more numbers of riders and potential budding trail builders grow. And I am seeing this already which is pleasing.

Thanks to the committee members and especially to those who have stepped up and offered assistance without having to be prompted or asked.

Thank you to Dan who stepped up as Vice President in 2016 and has already made a difference in many ways (although it is noted that I have missed your baking lately).

Lastly to those who are not present, but who do show up to build trails etc.; I thank you for giving up your own personal time –

Cheers and look forward to seeing you all out there on the trails.

Paul Scoble  
President.

#### **4. Election of Officers**

**President:** Paul Scoble has resigned as President. Dan Forster the current vice President was elected President unopposed.

**Vice President:** Aiden Komarkowski was the sole nominee for Vice President and was elected unopposed.

**Treasurer:** Angus Cotton was willing to continue in office and was elected unopposed.

**Secretary:** Bruce McHardy was willing to continue in office and was elected unopposed.

#### **Committee**

All the current committee members advised they wished to stand again and were elected unopposed:

They are:

Matt Clarke.

Ron Harfield.

Karl Laurence.

Marco Renall.

#### **5. General Business**

There was no general business. Refer to the minutes of May GM for current business.

Bruce McHardy, Secretary, BAMBA