

## 2024 TAMWORTH MOUNTAIN BIKERS AGM (12 month period)



**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**Venue:** Tamworth Mountain Bike Park, Forest Road Tamworth

**Attended:** Elsie McKenzie, Sharon Sipple, Pete Thistle, James McDonald, Shannon Sipple, Angela Phillips, Elesa Crowley, Terry Balla, Ben Marsh, James Phillips, Mark Gardiner

Item	Description	Committee member
1. Welcome and introductions	Meeting Open: 7.25pm Welcome to the 2024 AGM.	
2. Apologies	Ross Aylwin, Mel Siddons	Elsie McKenzie
3. Acceptance of minutes of previous annual general meeting (AGM)	Moved by: Sharon Sipple Seconded by: Pete Thistle	
4. President annual report	Please see attached	President – Ross Aylwin
Acceptance of Presidents report	Acceptance of the president's report by Ross Aylwin Seconded by: Elsie McKenzie	
5. Treasurer's Report	Please see attached	Treasurer – Angela Phillips
Acceptance of Treasurer's statements	Acceptance of the Treasurer's report by Angela Phillips Seconded by: Pete Thistle	
6. Election	<p>Current committee positions                      President – Ross Aylwin                      Vice President – Peter Thistle                      Treasurer – Angela Phillips                      Secretary – Elsie McKenzie                      Committee Member 1 – Mel Siddons                      Committee Member 2 – Sharon Sipple                      Committee Member 3 – James McDonald</p> <p>As per the constitution, the following positions are declared vacant -                      President                      Member 1</p> <p>Call for nominations for committee members</p> <p>Shannon Sipple                      Nominated by: Pete Thistle                      Seconded: Angela Phillips                      Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Mel Siddons                      Nominated by: Pete Thistle                      Seconded: Terry Balla                      Accepted: Yes</p>	President – Elsie McKenzie on behalf of Ross Aylwin

	<p>The following were nominated for the vacant positions:</p> <p>President: James McDonald  Nominated: Pete Thistle  Seconded: Sharon Sipple  Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Committee Member 1:  Nominated: Shannon Sipple  Seconded: Angela Phillips  Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Committee Member 3:  Nominated: Mel Siddons  Seconded: Sharon Sipple  Accepted: Yes</p>	
	<p><b>Elected Committee</b>  President – James McDonald - (year 1 of 3)  Vice President – Pete Thistle - (year 3 of 3)  Treasurer – Angela Phillips - (year 2 of 3)  Secretary – Elsie McKenzie - (year 3 of 3)  Committee Member 1 –Shannon Sipple (year 1 of 3)  Committee Member 2 – Sharon Sipple (year 3 of 3)  Committee Member 3 – Mel Siddons (year 2 of 3)</p>	
	<p><b>AGM meeting closed 7:40pm</b></p>	
President Signature	<p>I certify the above minutes of the Annual General Meeting for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 are a true record of the meeting.</p>	

## **Presidents report for 2024 (delivered at AGM 19th February 2025)**

Firstly, I want to acknowledge the great work I see from the members of the committee. I believe we have a strong committee with a bright future, which benefits not only the members of the club, but the whole community.

I've stated this every year, and it continues true, that we are all volunteers. There are hours spent to set up and run races (both on the track as well as administrative behind the scenes), manage finances, communication, and countless hours of park maintenance, and this is done by volunteers.

I take this opportunity to reiterate this park is only possible thanks to you, our volunteers, to continue to maintain as well as further develop this great facility.

This is my final presidents report as I step down after 3 years filling of filling the position and I look forward to making way for new blood to join the committee. Diversity in the committee leads to a broad spectrum of ideas, with new ideas for inter-club championships, continuation of Auscycling rounds, some outstanding social media releases, and the recognition of grant opportunities (and subsequent applications being submitted). This is what I have seen most in the past 12 months, and have all confidence in the new committee as we move forward through 2025 and beyond.

In Tamworth Mountain Bike Park, development has continued and continues to be aligned to the master development plan, which has recently reviewed and updated for the club to continue to use and further develop.

Increased accessibility for those looking to access to the park despite limited mobility, continued tidying up of the façade as well as weed management thanks to volunteers as and also the result of a grant which has allowed a professional to be brought in to continue maintaining the park against noxious vegetation in areas both visible from the trails as well as areas out of sight, to prevent spread.

The park trails have suffered in the past 12 months, with the weather working against us providing with reasonable durations of dry weather followed by heavy rain. This results in powdering of the trail surface which then erodes easily during a downpour. This said, what must be recognised is the various trail improvements and repairs which have been conducted throughout the year. As I ride around the park, I have see repairs which have been completed by people in anonymity – I do not know who you are but I'm sure I'm supported by all riders in saying "thank you". You know who you are, so please also know your work does not go unnoticed.

Further, and it's with great anticipation, Tamworth Mountain Bikers have locked in a working bee which is being very well planned, and we can all look forward to the results as the riding surfaces are further rejuvenated. I take this moment to invite everyone in the community to come and support the work so everyone in the community can reap the benefits.

Beyond Tamworth Mountain Bike Park itself, a number of our athletes have travelled near, far and very far to events providing representation in various disciplines including CX, DH and some of us also stretch to road, with names being highlighted in news media.

Our club continues to be in a position to support other neighbouring clubs and development programmes, assisting them host MTB events in their parks (including bringing a range of participants) as well as hosting their events on our park, assisting with equipment required to run other clubs cycling events and even more. The August 'Triple Event Weekend' which was a successful mix of schools, local, and state level racing at this great facility is just one example.

I finish this report where I started, thanking a great team of people for their enthusiasm. People who are within as well as beyond the committee, who continue to fill a calendar of events, keep the park open to the public, and keep everyone informed through social media as well as website maintenance, and continue to strengthen our great facility through the application and execution of previous grants and seizing various other timely opportunities.

Thanks to you, Tamworth Mountain Bike Park continues to be a great facility managed by community, for the community.

Regards,

Ross

## Financial Report 2024 – Annual General Meeting

The following report to be tabled at our AGM in Feb 24 in conjunction of the finance reports, sets out our major financial incomes and expenditures:

### Front Gates CBP23 – 0534 Grant \$15,735.00

<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
Front gates installed by Tamworth fencing,	\$13,374.00
Works to be completed – signage, road works and welding,	\$ 3,995.00
Roadworks	\$ 3,750.00
Signage	\$ 245.00
<i>Balance of grant money</i>	<i>\$ 1,626.00</i>
<i>Club Funds</i>	<i>\$ 1,634.00</i>

### General Accounts

Closing Balance 31 Dec 2024      \$43,835.85

Income (January – December)      \$29,650.23

Auscycling Membership	\$ 2,604.61
Twilight Racing	\$ 969.80
EntryBoss	\$ 3,348.24
Funding/Grants/Donations	\$ 19,076.31
All Schools	\$ 1,561.90

Funding/Grants Donations      \$ 19,076.31

NIC Grant	\$ 500.00
TRC Triple Weekend marketing grant	\$ 1,500.00
RAB Community Grant	\$ 1,193.25
Front Gate Funding Grant	\$ 15,735.00
Personal donations	\$ 148.06

Expenses (January – December)      \$14,504.92

Branded Double Quikshade	\$ 5,170.00
Triple Event/All Schools	\$ 1,183.02
Barcodes & Race Bibs	\$ 980.10
Twilight Dinner Expenses	\$ 879.02
Ryobi Toolkit	\$ 869.00
Advertising	\$ 840.65
Bike racks	\$ 600.00
Web Hosting	\$ 450.11
Maintenance	\$ 269.74
NIXC	\$ 264.50
Misc	\$ 150.72

Grants:

Weed Control:

Crown Reserves Improvement Fund - Weeds 2024-25 WEED application form - CRIF 2024-25

Application No. 240031W – submitted 20.11.2024

Value: \$11,330

Notification email expected May 2025

Track Upgrade:

Clubgrants Category 3 [Infrastructure Grants: sport and recreation](#) – submitted 25.11.2024

Value: \$145,860

Notification email expected April 2025

History of Account

Period End	General Acct
30/6/16	\$5,216
31/12/16	\$7,903
30/06/17	\$12,783
30/06/18	\$14,804
31/12/19	\$14,672
31/12/20	\$17,074
31/12/21	\$27,315
31/12/23	\$25,289
31/12/23	\$28,690
31/12/24	\$43,835

Angela Phillips, Treasurer