

2023 TAMWORTH MOUNTAIN BIKERS AGM (12 month period)




Date: 21st February 2024

Venue: Tamworth Mountain Bike Park, Forest Road Tamworth

Attended: Elsie McKenzie, Jeff Benson, Sharon Sipple, Shannon Sipple, Pete Thistle, Mel Siddons, Martin Siddons, Grahame MacPherson, James McDonald, Cameron McDonald, Steph Balla, Angela Phillips, Alyssa Rogan, Derani Barwick, Elesa Crowley, Elsie Gretton, Laurie Willis

Item	Description	Committee member
1. Welcome and introductions	Meeting Open: 7.30pm Welcome to the 2023 AGM.	
2. Apologies	Ross Aylwin, Ben Marsh	Elsie McKenzie
3. Acceptance of minutes of previous annual general meeting (AGM)	Moved by: Jeff Benson Seconded by: Sharon Sipple	
4. President annual report	Please see attached	President – Elsie McKenzie on behalf of Ross Aylwin
Acceptance of Presidents report	Acceptance of the president's report by Ross Aylwin Seconded by: Mel Siddons	
5. Treasurer's Report	Please see attached	Treasurer – Jeff Benson
Acceptance of Treasurer's statements	Acceptance of the Treasurer's report by Jeff Benson Seconded by: Elsie McKenzie	
6. Election	<p>Current committee positions President – Ross Aylwin Vice President – Michael Crummy Treasurer – Jeff Benson Secretary – Elsie McKenzie Committee Member 1 – Ben Marsh Committee Member 2 – Sharon Sipple Committee Member 3 – Glen Bramley</p> <p>As per the constitution, the following positions are declared vacant - Treasurer Member 3</p> <p>Michael Crummy has vacated his position of Vice President Ben Marsh has vacated his position of Member 1</p> <p>Call for nominations for committee members</p> <p>Pete Thistle Nominated by: Elsie McKenzie Seconded: Mel Siddons Accepted: Yes</p>	President – Elsie McKenzie on behalf of Ross Aylwin

	<p>Mel Siddons Nominated by: Elsie McKenzie Seconded: Sharon Sipple Accepted: Yes</p> <p>James McDonald Nominated by: Peter Thistle Seconded: Martin Siddons Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Angela Phillips Nominated by: Self nominated Seconded: Pete Thistle Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Alyssa Rogan Nominated by: Elsie McKenzie Seconded: Derani Barwick Accepted: No</p> <p>Grahame MacPherson Nominated by: James McDonald Seconded: Martin Siddons Accepted: No</p> <p>The following were nominated for the vacant positions:</p> <p>Vice President: Nominated: Pete Thistle Seconded: Alyssa Rogan Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Treasurer: Nominated: Angela Phillips Seconded: Pete Thistle Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Committee Member 1: Nominated: Mel Siddons Seconded: Sharron Sipple Accepted: Yes</p> <p>Committee Member 3: Nominated: James McDonald Seconded: Sharron Sipple Accepted: Yes</p>	
	<p>Elected Committee President – Ross Aylwin - (year 3 of 3) Vice President – Pete Thistle - (year 2 of 3) Treasurer – Angela Phillips - (year 1 of 3) Secretary – Elsie McKenzie - (year 2 of 3) Committee Member 1 – Mel Siddons (year 3 of 3) Committee Member 2 – Sharon Sipple (year 2 of 3) Committee Member 3 – James McDonald (year 1 of 3)</p>	

	AGM meeting closed 7:55pm	
President Signature	I certify the above minutes of the Annual General Meeting for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 are a true record of the meeting.	
Ross Aylwin		20/2/24

Presidents report for 2023 (delivered at AGM 21st February 2024)

Throughout 2023, Tamworth Mountain Bikers continued service the community through not only the management of Tamworth Mountain Bike Park, but also by hosting events open to the local and wider community, with focus on the sport of Mountain Biking as well other leisure and recreation activities.

While 2023 started wet as we came off the back of indulgent rains from the year prior resulting in the need continued management of trail layout and maintenance, the weather settled to allow a great start with all 10 scheduled Term 1 twilight rounds being held.

As the year continued to the second twilight season which was also held for almost all rounds in term 4, the club succeeded in keeping the calendar stocked with other events which included our usual cooler month's inter-club series NIXC (Northern Inland Cross Country), as well as spot events such as Dust-'Til-Dark, Winter Solstice and Welcome to Summer. Added to the calendar were the events coordinated with other clubs which included the away rounds of NIXC, as well as the One Contract Partner and All-Schools events, as well as a couple of social events.

All in all - Around 30 events were held or heavily supported by the generous efforts and countless hours put in by volunteers of the club and it's supporting community members.

For these, I give thanks.

In addition to organised racing, 2023 also saw the park being utilised by various community groups including Scouts NSW, NIAS and several schools which use the grounds for sport activities, as well as the numerous families hosting birthday events on top of the countless walkers and riders who get their recreation fix throughout the various areas of Tamworth Mountain Bike Park.

This is testimony to what the park has to offer, not just due to its constructed and maintained facilities but the leisure received by our visitors who experience glorious views from the hill tops, education on aboriginal history and artifacts as well as exposure to the flora and fauna which resides throughout the park.

As a club, Tamworth Mountain Bikers have remained busy throughout 2023 and have continued to support other clubs also with our facilities, equipment and members knowledge and time to assist with events held by other clubs (both locally and other club locations).

Additionally, several working bees have been coordinated at Tamworth Mountain Bike Park. Some have been conducted simply for trail maintenance such as tending to surface quality and vegetation control, and we also had a trail build weekend which saw the beginning of the next-level set of drops and continuing trail features – a project which has had a great start and is planned to be completed in the near future.

As I look to the future, our club is committed to continuing to offer value for money and are working towards bulking out the 2024 calendar with events suitable for all participants, and will include many familiar races and social events as well as something with some new and exciting formats, with plans also for an Auscycling State round to be held locally also.

This AGM will include several changes in the committee members. Several positions are up for scheduled re-election, and some others are moving on to new and exciting challenges in their personal lives.

You, we, are volunteers. Our commitments extend beyond Tamworth Mountain Bikers, but we find time to be involved in this great community of people and support the sport and recreation of mountain biking and all the park has to offer.

With many thanks to the club, volunteers of the park and their families, **Thank You!**

Financial Report 2023 – 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:

SCCF Grant

Weed Mgt Grant amounting to \$23,650 Steve Geddes (Managed through TRC). Round 2 in process.

General Accounts

Income

MTBA/Auscycling – Membership \$1,001; Twilight \$5108; RAB Community Partnership \$1630, All Schools 2632, NIXCS Etc \$1,613.

Expenditure

Web Hosting \$665; Mtce/ Signs \$661; Affiliation/Day license's \$390; TRC Rates \$155; All Schools \$2142; Races NIXCS Etc \$434.

Grants:

Grant Submission has been lodged under the Crown Lands Improvement Fund for the Entrance Auto Gates.

History as Treasurer

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

Jeff Benson Treasurer