

## 2007 MX Association Annual General Meeting Minutes

MX Association 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference  
Perth – Australia, 28 – 30 October 2007  
2007 Annual General Meeting Minutes

### Annual General Meeting 2007 – Agenda

Meeting opened at 10.00am Tuesday 30 October 2007

#### 1. Apologies...

- Apologies have been received from the following delegates
  - Bill Zegveld
  - Mark Westaway
  - Chris Harvey
  - Martin Patfield

#### 2. Minutes from 2006 AGM in Hobart Tasmania 2006

- Minutes to be accepted as a true and accurate record

Moved: Terry Methven  
Seconded: Andrew Chivas  
Motion: Carried

- Secretary/Treasurer Report

The final statement for the 2006 Conference held in Hobart was tabled and accepted as true and correct

Moved: Vince Sinagra  
Seconded: Grahame Young  
Motion: Carried

- Business arising from the minutes

nil

- Correspondence

nil

3. *25th Annual MX Association Conference 2008*

- **Location**            *Adelaide*  
Moved:            David Nicholson  
Seconded:        Jason Cox  
Motion:            Carried

4. *Election of Office Bearers for 2008*

- **President**            *Geoff Hepworth*  
Moved:            John Wilson  
Seconded :        Terry Methven  
Motion:            Carried
  
- **Treasurer / Secretary**            *Natasha Stone*  
Moved:            Geoff Hepworth  
Seconded:        David Nicholson  
Motion:            Carried
  
- **Technical Coordinators**            *Anthony Crotty*  
Moved:            Natasha Stone  
Seconded:        Geoff Hepworth  
Motion:            Carried

5. *General Business*

- 24th Annual MX Association Conference Finance (draft)  
The draft finance was discussed with Steve Hill reporting that Perth has had over 130 delegates, some sponsorship was still outstanding and payment of some registrations were also outstanding. The projected profit is anticipated to be more than \$5,000.
  
- Ray Moloney Award for Innovation  
Congratulations were again given to Andrew Mickan, the worthy recipient of the 2007 Ray Moloney Award.

Laurie Hewson raised the issue of improving the Award nomination and selection process. Currently, there is a volunteer selection committee for the Ray Moloney Award, made up from a representative from each state who nominate and select, by voting, the recipient. The selection committee has had the same members for several years. Some of the selection committee feel that the nomination and selection process is limited only to their own experiences and opinions and should be opened up. General discussion followed.

Jason Cox believes the nomination process should be opened up.

David Nicholson suggested we could have some form of electronic polling based on a committee developed appropriate list of candidates.

Steve Muller suggested that the voting be cast secretly.

Terry Methven commented that the Award should not become a popularity vote.

Tony Bowden suggested there be no restriction on nominations.

Keith Head agreed that the nominations should be opened up but selection not to be based on popularity.

Grahame Young commented that feedback by voting was a good idea.

It was generally agreed that the reasons why the Award is presented should remain the same but the 2008 Conference Committee should look at opening up the nominations and enhancing the process.

- **Life Members**

3 people had been nominated for Life Membership - Jason Cox, David Nicholson and Andrew Mickan (2007 Ray Moloney Award recipient). The committee felt that all were worthy of Life Membership consideration and so put forward to the Association Membership to vote on each individual whilst they were absent from the AGM.

<b>Life Membership:</b>	<b>Jason Cox</b>
Moved:	Steve Muller
Seconded:	Patrick Jongeling
Motion:	Carried.

<b>Life Membership:</b>	<b>David Nicholson</b>
Moved:	Alan Brown
Seconded:	Travis Martin
Motion:	Carried.

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<b>Life Membership:</b>	<b>Andrew Mickan</b>
Moved:	Terry Methven
Seconded:	Eric Findlater
Motion:	Lost.

Jason Cox and David Nicholson were congratulated on becoming Life Members.

General discussion was also had on the Life Member selection and nomination process.

A motion was tabled and passed to include in the constitution and the MX Association Life Membership Criteria, for the next conference, that:

**“The current committee shall put up one nomination only for Life Membership.”**

Moved:	Steve Muller
Seconded:	Grahame Young
Motion:	Carried

The 2007 organising committee referred this to the incoming 2008 Committee for next year.

- **Bentley MX Mini Conference – NZ**

It was brought to the attention of the membership that Bentley has organised a MX Mini Conference in NZ for the week after the Perth Conference and had promoted it using the MX Association name and logo. The MX Association of Australasia has nothing to do with the organisation of that function, especially as the timing has caused some NZ delegates to not make the trip to Perth for the official MX Association Annual Conference. The MX Association committee has requested Bentley to remove any reference to the MX Association from their promotion of their NZ function.

- **MX Conference Convenor**

The committee thanked Sue Christie-Cox for all her efforts in the role of the 2007 MX Conference Convenor and considered the decision to employ a person in this role for the first time as an outstanding success. The Perth Committee highly recommended that the incoming Adelaide Committee utilise Sue’s skills and contacts for next year’s conference.

- **Business Arising from the Floor**

A motion was tabled to include in the constitution and the MX Association Life Membership Criteria, for the next conference, that:

**“Each Association member has only one vote.”**

Moved: Steve Muller

Seconded: Grahame Young:

Motion: Lost

It was agreed that extensive work was required to clarify Life Membership nomination and selection and that it be addressed by the incoming 2008 Committee. It was also recommended that the 2008 Committee look at means of recognising and identifying the MX Association Life Members, including past members perhaps with badges or similar.

Alan Brown thanked the 2007 Committee for organising an enjoyable Perth Conference.

- **25<sup>th</sup> Annual MX Conference – 2008**

Comment was made that because next year's conference is a significant milestone event, the incoming Adelaide Committee may go with something different, to the extent that there maybe certain special requirements, the length and timing of the conference may be different and perhaps a “Reunion” theme. The 2008 Committee will be working on this in the coming months.

Meeting closed at 10.45am Tuesday 30 October 2007