



## Surf Coast Mountain Bike Club Annual General Meeting Minutes

### Virtual Meeting

7.30pm Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020

#### **Attendance:**

Tony Smales, Tara Findlay, Matt Jones, Luke Farrar, Brett Coleman, Karen Donaldson, Shane O'Brien, Richard South, Angelo Krizmanic, Chiara Hill, Kylhn Heath, Damien Elsworth, Tina Smith, Paul Ferris, Andrew Gooday, Phil Avery, Vincent Lauwerier, Elizabeth Doyle, Eric Riegler, Kevin De Leenheer, Mat Donaldson, Tim Shakespeare, Chris Prothero, Jessica Davis, Craig Favaloro, Kyle Vos

23 members entitled to vote present (of 178 members entitled to vote)

#### **Tony Smales - Welcome & Open**

Thanks to all Surf Coast MTB members for their support of the club over the past 2 years and thanks to those who've been involved on committee, local bike shops, and design partners. Our Annual General Meeting had been planned to be held within 18 months of the Club's incorporation, however, covid delayed that and an extension had been granted by Consumer Affairs Victoria.

#### **Luke Farrar - Trail Advocacy**

Slides outlining purpose of trail advocacy, overview of Anglesea Futures Plan, trails concept planning area linking Hurst Rd area to Currawong area (project facilitated by Surf Coast Shire, photographic examples of trail sustainability improvements in 2019/2020: Letterbox, Grasstrees, Baby Heads, Ring Road.

#### **Kylhn Heath – Working Bees**

Aiming for monthly working bees, last Sunday of the month. They can include working on urgent drainage in winter, vegetation management, sometimes new features, while maintaining the natural look and feel of Hurst Road trails. Hope for more members to volunteer once we're able to maintain regular events beyond Covid. Text responses help us plan numbers. Working bee this Sunday.

#### **Chiara Hill – Social Rides and Skills Clinics**

Have held kids and teens, women only, and adult rides and working towards beginner and intermediate rides. Teamed up with GMBC for recent women's ride and intend to do that ongoing. Aim is to get more people riding and introducing them to others. Looking for more people interested in leading rides.

#### **Richard South – Events and Merchandise**

Hoodies, t-shirts, jerseys, hats and beanies available at a number of local bike shops. Intent is to get our name out there rather than making much profit on them.

Held a club launch party and Xmas party at Anglesea Bike Park last year, as well as a women's film night fundraiser. All were very successful. Challenging year for events this year with Covid. We'd intended to hold a round of Shifty Fifty during winter which had to be cancelled. Plan for Shifty Fifty next year on June 12. Happy to work with members on ideas for events.

#### **Brett Coleman – Marketing and Communications**

Big thanks to all of the businesses and individuals who have financially supported the club since its inception. Grass Trees Bypass has been our big funding push. Sponsorship policy developed to guide us in future.

Trying to be mindful that not everyone's on social media and communicate via email as well.

Tony adding that trail kitty fund has been set up that we plan to launch next year to go directly into trails.

Aiming to have survey, hopefully in next 6 months, for feedback on what people would like.

### **Angelo Krizmanic - Grants**

Grant highlights have included: Bendigo Bank \$5000 towards trailer, \$2000 SCS for coaching, \$3000 for planning event (2021 Shifty Fifty), Vic Health grant for 3 mountain bikes, first aid kits, backpacks and supplies for ride leaders. \$11000 raised from crowd funding for Grass Trees bypass.

Covid has changed availability of some grants: some typical grants cancelled and diverted towards covid related grants. If anyone aware of available grants let us know.

### **Tony – Philanthropy**

Around \$3000 donated that we're using for philanthropy.

Masaka Cycling Club in Uganda, donating almost \$500 per year

Pass on your pushie project – 3 bikes coming from local bike stores, when there's availability, for local kids who need them. Intent to work with schools to identify where bikes are needed and see if we can find donors with appropriately sized bikes to pass on.

Support projects around young riders who are members.

First Aid – thanks to Karen Donaldson ensuring our first aid training is relevant and up to date, keeping kits up to speed, facilitating first aid courses.

Environmental team – thanks for providing expertise about trail related environmental issues and assisting with advice on a number of grant applications.

Membership – Matt Jones taking up this role for next year. Will be a bit tricky with Aus Cycling and MTBA crossover.

Child Safety Officer – currently Tony but would be great if someone else is interested in taking this on.

### **Finance – Shane O'Brien**

Thanks to Jade McGraw and Kat Shearsby who were instrumental in getting us started. Paul McNamara helped us set up Quickbooks which will make reporting easy in future.

Currently low in funds but lots invested in merchandise so those funds will return to us as they are sold.

Annual Report and Financial report presented to members ahead of the meeting for the period Sep 2018 (incorporation of the club) to June 30, 2020.

Thanks from Tony to the committee for their commitment in last 18 months.

### **Committee Nominations**

President - Tony Smales

Vice President – Brett Coleman

Secretary – Tara Findlay

Treasurer – Shane O'Brien

General Committee:

Karen Donaldson, Chiara Hill, Kylhn Heath, Luke Farrar, Angelo Krizmanic, Richard South

New people nominated for committee:

Phil Avery, second Brett Coleman

Andrew Gooday, second Richard South

Marlene Gojanovic, second Angelo Krizmanic

Looking for someone interested in organising gravity events for the club.

Thanks for joining!

Meeting closed 8.25pm.