

**Nanaimo Motocross Association
General Meeting
March 4, 2009**

Attendance: Don Sutherland, Harold Youland, Mike Cardinal, Dave Barnes, Andy Barry, Jaye Pugh, Donna Meyland, Renee Cardinal, Linda Sutherland, Dan Smith, Dan Nikirk, Kim Brunelle, Darren Titus, Matt Meunzler

Called to order 7:07 pm

Minutes from Previous Meeting-Motion by Dan S to accept minutes as distributed.

Presidents Report – Andy Barry

Sponsors -Talked to Andy White from Yamaha about a PW 50 program and some money for the BC's. They received our sponsor package and they will let us know what level they will sponsor us at. Andy read part of a letter from them. Kawi may sponsor us for Provincials too. He will stay on it.

Budget- He reviewed Jaye's draft budget this month and has been corresponding with her about it.

Track Concessions- He has spoken to Teresa Nikirk about running a concession at our track. This led into a discussion about whether or not we could man it. Most are in favour of a concession if we have enough people to successfully man it during our events. Dan will ask Teresa to research it more for next meeting. She can take the Food Safe Certificate this weekend if she needs it. We feel she should take it since we need someone there in charge who has it.

MX schools- Andy spoke to Kyle Beaton regarding running some MX Schools. He is \$75/hr. The club could charge a higher fee in order to have some revenue. Darcy Lange hasn't called him back yet. Donna explained that Darcy Lange and Colton Mclean are offering courses this year at \$100/rider, with no funds going to the clubs.

Misc- Andy wants to build a new aluminum start gate shack at no cost to the club. All in favour.

Andy will also donate some new signs to the track for free. (Andy please tell which ones you are referring to as I missed it. Was it the ones where you come in?)

Andy talked about the island series poster. He can have his art department put one together and forward it to us to look at. Everyone thought it was a good idea and to have Andy go ahead and get a draft out to us.

Treasurers Report – Jaye Pugh

Jaye presented the Financial Statements to Feb 28, 2009. Still has not received the revised banquet invoice from last year from Port Alberni yet, although the Treasurer understands the invoice is not correct. PayPal account is opened now for the website. Andy and Dave have to go to the bank to sign papers for signing authority.

Motion to accept statements as approved by Daren Titus. Carried.

Spending Limits- Last year NMA had a \$300 spending limit, meaning no director could incur over \$300 worth of expenses at one time. Any item over \$300 required a discussion and agreement.

Motion to keep our \$300 spending limit for Directors to be reimbursed by Linda Sutherland, carried.

Budget Forecast- Jaye distributed the draft proposed budget. It was reviewed previously by Andy, Dave, and Donna. We discussed the idea of the Beer Gardens. We have decided not to run a beer gardens. We also discussed the Open House.

Mike Cardinal motions to have a fun day mid season at the track. Carried. Next meeting we will pick a date for it and discuss how to promote it.

Other notes regarding the budget that Jaye wanted to point out. Nothing has been budgeted for any rider tax money coming in as VIMX has only just been formed. No one knows what the amounts will be. We also usually get our wristbands for free from CMRC. We don't know if we will have to pay for them this year.

Motion by Donna to accept the proposed forecast budget, 2nd by Mike C. carried

Vice Presidents report – Dave Barnes

Website demo was done with Dave, Donna, Jim Muir, and Jaye. We all chose the same option for a new website. He is targeting the new website by March 11th. Dave wants to offer something to those purchasing memberships on the website as an incentive. For example if you buy on line you can have your choice of a free day pass or \$10 off first race entry. We decided this is a great idea and Dave will add that to the site.

Secretary's Report – Donna Meyland

Sponsor package- Spent several hours on the sponsor package replacing photos that we did not have permission to use, viewing the proof from the printers with Jen etc. Jen did a fantastic job and the final product looks great.

Budget- Spent a few hours going over the draft budget with Jaye.

VIMX Meeting – Attended the VIMX meeting in place of Dave. Copies of the minutes were available, but basically everything from their prior meeting was reviewed again. In the end the only two major changes were that the GP Beginner class has been deleted, and the prices for race entry has gone back to last years rates due to the economy. The Executive was voted in and Mark Mclean from Campbell River is the new President of VIMX.

Misc- Many emails and phone calls this month from people wanting to know if the track is open, where to get memberships, and how to get into racing. Donna is also going to write a letter for Linda to take to the schools. Last year we had a two for one ticket that we used. Basically it entitled a child to get in for free with an adult. They were marked as to what school they were sent to. We didn't send out to many last year but Linda is willing to take on the task. Can we do this free ticket again?

Motion by Mike C to make 2 for 1 tickets to use for promotional use, carried.

Mike Cardinal- Site Manager. We will do the items that were originally set up for the work party that was cancelled. Next work party is March 21 & 22nd. We need to deal with the erosion coming down the gate and across the road. We have been shut down in the past because of the run off. We need new hay bales. Jaye explained that the old ones are usually put in the pond which acts as a filter for the irrigation system.

Dan Smith – Track Manager. As far as any changes to the track it needs to be voted on. He does suggest changing the finish line and top section. Make it safe. Dave Stocker Excavating will give us any equipment we want if the other sponsors don't. We would have to pay for fuel and delivery.

Dan Nikirk – Irrigation. Not much to do here yet. We will try to lay concrete pads for the toilets. Donna will order toilets as they have been calling to book.

Renee Cardinal – nothing to report

Linda Sutherland – We have sold a few memberships. Sponsor packages were just printed. She gave one to Mile Zero. She will go to the schools after Donna has prepared a letter.

Harold Youland-

Sponsor Packages – Harold handed out several newly printed packages. We wish to thank his wife Jen for all her hard work. They look great.

Trophies- Harold passed around an example. Each plate would be \$12 total. Participation plates would be \$8. They would have a hole in it to hang on the wall. It was decided to go with the trophy plates. All premier sponsors will have their logos on them. He is also looking for a trophy sponsor.

He has found a sign printing sponsor who will do the signs for free if we buy the 4x8 sheets of board. We had a small discussion about having the higher level sponsors not to have to pay for their signs.

Motion by Mike C to have NMA pay for signage for sponsors willing to pay \$1000 or more, carried.

Kim Brunelle- Two Ambulance attendants are lined up at \$1000 for the weekend. They just need to know the hours. 8am – approx 6 pm at the latest. They can bring a vehicle. Matt from Mile Zero has some quads we can use for first aid attendants.

New Business

Fill on the Site- We had a large discussion about the fill that was delivered to Wastelands. This was not communicated to or approved by the Board. Most feel that this more a conflict between Lowell and Andy, and although virtually all the Directors felt both Andy and Lowell acted inappropriately we have decided that the club will issue an apology to Lowell.

The Wall- Lowell will finish the wall when the weather is better.

Sign up for Executive- **Mike C. Motions to have Directors families race for free. 2nd by Donna. 2** opposed. Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting date ??????????????????