

MRA AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE

- 1) a) Is the Secretariat appointed as per Vic. Proposal of 1982?
b) Chairperson: Dave Hill.
Chairperson of MRA Australia should be an independent person i.e. someone not Committees or related to MRA Administration.
Refer to Point 4 of last Conference Minutes.
- 2) Please explain Hal Caston (ACT) and Phil Maher (TAS), both are from the Administration of MRA Australia and are delegates to the National Conference. Refer original Aust. Proposal (p.28).

AGENDA

- 1) Prepare:
 - a) Glenn & Lewis discussion paper with Hal on MRA Australia.
 - b) Original MRA Australia Proposal.
- 2) All items can be related to other parts of Agenda.
- 3) Same as 2.
- 4) This point most probably will be discussed prior to point 1 of Agenda by Tony & Damien.
 - a) We are registered in all States as MRA Australia and the name can/could be used by other State MRA's???
 - b) MRA Vic never left MRA Aust (Proof needed from other States) in letter from of Vic's resignation (check on wording in Policy Statement & any other letters).
 - c) Copies of Incorporation Certificate.
 - d) We believe all State MRA belong to the MRA Australia body.
 - e) The wording "MRA Victoria is accepted back into MRA Australia" will not be acceptable by Victoria.
 - f) We will accept "MRA Victoria is now working in unison with all other States in building a strong MRA Australia."
 - g) MRA Head Office - see point 34.
 - h) If not accepted: "The meeting is held against the law and this meeting shall dissolve or change its' name from MRA Australia."
 - i) Please note MRA Australia is registered to Victoria in all States and also the use of MRA Australia logo is retained by Victoria.
i.e.
 - j) Infringement of the MRA logos etc. will lead to legal action being undertaken by MRA Victoria against all States using such.

Requirements:

Incorporation Certificate
Registration of Logos Certificate
MRA Australia Proposal

- 5)
 - a) AMC Constitution is totally unacceptable.
 - b) As discussed in Jan '83 Conference.
MRA Australia Secretariat were supposedly preparing a totally MRA Australia Constitution.
 - c) We need to appoint a Sub-Committee to research and formulate a MRA Australia Constitution for the approval of all MRA Australia members.

- 6)
 - a) When MRA Australia Constitution is ready, all other Constitutions shall become void.
 - b) States will require a book of By-Laws or Rules & Regulations pertaining to their State and within State laws.

- 7)
 - a) Refer 4(a), 4(c), 4(i).

- 8)
 - a) Refer MRA Australia Proposal by Victoria (original).
 - b) President
 - oversee the operations of the MRA bodies
 - national press releases
 - national lobbying co-ordination
 - control of MRA Constitution and its' uses and adhesion thereof.
 - c) Secretary
 - correlationb of all incoming data and distribution thereof
 - distribution of all correspondence to all States from MRA & other
 - aid to President
 - control of proper communication between States
 - d) Treasurer
 - to arrange and carry out all financial transactions in reference to the proper administration of MRA Australia funds.

- 9) Remove this point from the Agenda.

- 10)
 - a) Voting for National Secretariat should be held by secret ballot at the National Conference by National Conference delegates (1 of) only. This voting should not go to MRA members.
 - b) Refer point 1(a) & point 2.

- 11)
 - a) This could be arranged or co-ordinated by National President.
 - b) The name "Motorcycle Awareness Month" or "Biketober" is totally unacceptable. The name of this function is a "Driver Awareness Month".
 - c) Please note! In Victoria 3xy runs a "Rocktober" month. We believe the name "Biketober" cheapens the image we are trying to portray.

- 12) Malcom Mc Millan will put his point forward.

- 13)
 - a) Refer Lorraine's proposal.
 - b) The Victorian Committe believes that what is proposedly known as the "National Newsletter" and under the sole control of the National body, is in reality a Victorian newsletter and should be under the control of the Victorian Committee.
 - c) Out of what has been known as the MRA Australia groups (i.e. NSW, QLD, SA, TAS, & ACT) only S.A. has been receiving the newsletter.
 - d) The cost of producing the National Newsletter is borne by Victoria to the tune of \$10,000+ per annum.

- e) A National Newsletter becomes the expense of the National Body and not of one State only.
- 14) a) If Conference is successful, the National President will make press releases to all States.
b) If Conference fails, MRA Victoria does not really care what press releases are made.
 - 15) Please explain.
 - 16) a) Yes - how?
b) First we must have a working National Body.
 - 17) Bernadette to supply.
 - 18) Follow MRA Victoria's Toy Run. This has been successful for 6 years.
 - 19) MRA Victoria has no interest. See Attachment A, Appendix A. Victoria is not involved.
 - 20) a) MRA Victoria does not see eye to eye with the AMC.
b) MRA Victoria believes AMC is redundant as the National Body can do the same work as the AMC.
c) The AMC is made up mainly of MRA delegates.
d) MRA Victoria believes that the name of AMC should be changed to MRA.
 - 21) No. States run enough rallies as it is. Each State has been able to finance its own "Awareness Run" to date. The Run itself should be made self financing.
 - 22) a) See MRA Victoria's Proposal to National Conference and letter to Minister of Transport.
b) AMC should be stopped from dealing in this matter any further with the Minister of Transport.
 - 23) a) The proposal on conspicuity was on a Federal level. In Victoria it has not been accepted.
b) MRA Victoria is totally against the conspicuity proposal and will do its utmost to remove it if it becomes apparent that the Victorian Government is going to accept it.
 - 24) a) MRA Victoria believes the statement "I DIDN'T SEE HIM" should be regarded as an admission of guilt as per Japan.
b) MRA Victoria believes this should be approached with caution and with a lot of research being done on the Japanese scheme.
 - 25) National Body should formulate a Policy Statement on Licencing of Motorcyclists Australia-wide.
 - 26) Refer to Agenda 22.

- 27) a) Please explain.
 b) If this item refers to issues like Bathurst (Vic's involvement), licencing etc., the States at the Canberra Conference made it quite clear that State issues are to be handled by the State and the National Body should not interfere unless requested to do so. Refer point 25.
- 28) A National Body can and will improve communicatins, see point 8(c). What about telexes?
- 29) MRA NSW should be congratulated on the production of the National Directory. MRA Victoria found this item quite important.
- 30) MRA Victoria will supply rates at Conference.
- 31) a) MRA Victoria has been looking at setting up a sign at the Tas Ferry Terminal, in conjunction with MRA Tas.
 b) For design, standardizatin of logo. Refer to Constitutiona copyright.
- 32) Open for discussion.
- 33) No. This is an MRA Conference and not open forum. RE: Melbourne Conference, June '83 - Western Underwriters.
- 34) a) MRA begun in Victoria originally, and aided the other States in setting up their own Branches under Victoria's Constitution.
 b) MRA House has full-time staff, with 6 years experience in running the MRA.
 c) MRA House has more facilities than any other State, i.e. computer, printing service, 3 phone lines, etc..
- 35) Victoria believes a 3 year term is more suitable. But this is open to discussion.
- 36) a) Both Victoria and New South Wales have their own computers at this stage, but Victoria believes that when we have 7 computers in 7 States, this exercise will be a waste of time.
 b) MRA Victoria believes that the full membership listing should be held by "Head Office" of MRA Australia.
- 37) Refer to original MRA Australia Proposal (Vic), page 31.
- 38) a) When the National Body takes over the AMC, MRA Victoria will have a closer liason with Bikers' Ltd.
 b) MRA Victoria is already working closely with Bikers' Ltd.
- 39) a) Stationery can be supplied at a lower cost. See point 30.
 b) Stock can only work when point 37 becomes valid.
 c) See point 12 January Conference notes (page 6) and failure of States to comply.
 d) MRA Victoria's stock purchases over a 12 month period is in the vicinity of \$20,000, and holds stock to the value of approx. \$4,000.
 e) Supply delegates with stock listing (computerised).

40) Bernadette can discuss this point.

- 41) a) MRA logo in Bike Australia being wrong type and format.
b) Stock being produced by MRA Victoria, re: stock list.
c) "Let those who ride decide" is the MRA motto, not any other as used by QLD.
d) Change of Presidency and Committee in Victoria.
e) The use of the title "Chairperson" instead of President.
f) Patrons, Life Memberships and Appreciation medallions.
g) Family memberships.
h) Club affiliations, re: Victorian Constitution.