

MINUTES OF THE MRA BOARD MEETING
19 June 1999
MRA OFFICE ELIZABETH ST

OPENING: President, Dean Balding, declared the meeting open at 2.00.

PRESENT: Dean Balding - President,
Kerri Ritchie - Member secretary
Faye Kerridge - Treasurer
Garry Yip - Member

APOLOGIES: Con Tringas

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion that the Minutes be accepted.
Moved: Kerri Seconded: Dean Carried

BUSINESS ARISING:
To be dealt with as reports.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Staff – Shayne Ryan is working on getting staff through TAC placement program. It is anticipated staff would collect mail, answer the phone, and do general duties. There is a need for a paid part time staff member to assist with the counter etc. To employ staff there are certain criteria we would need to meet in regard to work cover etc. To employ through an agency would be expensive. Faye is to investigate what award this would be under and the costs of an employee working 20 hours per week over 4 days.

Shop – Do we need to sub lease? Due to costs it is necessary for us to do this, it must be to a business that supports the aims of the MRA. The shop needs to be more appealing to passing traffic. There is a need to assess the stock and ensure that it is relevant and in demand to MRA members and others. There is also a need for stringent stock control. It was decided that we would not take up John's offer of leaving some stock on consignment. Letter to go to John requesting the office be taken down as part of the lease agreement and that all stock be removed.

Kosovo – Dean is going and will be at McDonalds at 8.00 on July 4. Other members are encouraged to attend.

Ministry of Roads and Ports. – The Ministry of Roads and Ports have provided a grant of \$25,000 to be used to cover costs. We must report on the use of these funds over the next six months. Need to prepare an article and press release to publicly acknowledge this grant.

Cranbourne – Dean will be speaking to the Cranbourne Rotary group at their request. Dean will also be meeting with members of Cranbourne council. This is in relation to the 1999 G.P run which will again commence at Cranbourne.

Other Matters – We need to develop strategies to promote and further the aims of the MRA as well as attracting new members. Need to consider the impact of fee increases and also look at increased benefits for members. Investigate Garry's idea of targeting learners with a pack sponsored by industry or Government. Encourage safe riding through ride days and promote these events to industry and to individuals.

Dean and Garry to discuss the implementation of learner packages and report back.

REPORTS.

Toy Run – At this point in time we do not have a final destination for the 1999 Toy Run. We need to find an alternate site to the proposed Albert Park area which we have not been able to confirm. Due to other commitments Faye is not able to continue working on the Toy Run organisation. Need to investigate other options, particularly students.

The Motorcyclist – Concern has been raised with MV regarding free advertising space which has been given for the first and second issues, there is an understanding that this will not continue. The need for the magazine to be on time has also been raised. The Management Committee seems to be going O.K. at this time with a number of concerns being addressed. Faye needs to have guidelines for the editorial committee particularly in regard to responsibilities. Faye as editor will be the only person dealing with editorial content. Damien's input as a writer and photographer is essential.

Treasurer – This cannot be finalised until NMC accounts are available as at this stage all credit card payments are channelled through this account.

MRA Representation on Committees – We need to receive reports from all MRA reps on committees and we need to ensure that we are focused on MRA issues.

NEXT MEETING 8 May 11.00am

The meeting was declared closed at 3.25pm.

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TO: Faye Kerridge at POPMELB1
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FAYE,

JUST FOR YOUR INFO AND THE OTHERS.

MRA MEMBERSHIP HAS PICKED UP FROM 1586 IN FEB AND IS CURRENTLY SITTING AT
1697 IN JUNE A RISE OF 111 PEOPLE. I SUSPECT THAT NOT ALL OF THESE PEOPLE ARE
FINANCIAL.

GARRY