

2014 MDR Annual General Meeting

February 22, 2014

Motel 6 Headingly Manitoba

The meeting was attended by the current board as well as approximately 25 club members and was called to order by President Travis Ferguson at 2:12 PM.

Old Business

Travis presented a short review on the 2013 race season and reviewed the minutes from the 2013 AGM. A concern was brought up about the addition of the Outlaw class, specifically that they were starting on the same line as the Masters. It was noted that this had been dealt with in the final race of 2013 by starting these classes at different times. Travis Ferguson made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read. This motion was seconded by Pat Wickett.

Treasurer Cory Halbert presented a report on the finances of MDR. It was accepted as read with a motion by Greg Heinrichs seconded by John Rooney.

Elections

Vice President- Gilles Corbeil was nominated for the position of Vice President by Travis Ferguson. Pat Wickett seconded this motion. As there were no other nominations Gilles was appointed by acclamation.

Secretary- Ron Routledge was nominated for the position of Secretary by Travis Ferguson. Pat Wickett seconded this motion. As there were no other nominations Ron was appointed by acclamation.

Treasurer- Cory Halbert was nominated for the position of Treasurer by Travis Ferguson. John Rooney seconded this motion. As there were no other nominations Cory was appointed by acclamation.

Officer Rep- Josh Wuirch was nominated for the position of Officer Rep by Adam Crookes. Dan Huberdeau seconded this motion. As there were no other nominations Josh was appointed by acclamation.

New Business

A question was raised regarding club officers roles and exactly who the current Officers are. Club Officers are members who have agreed to be available to the board members to help out at race days in whatever way required. The Officers also make up the pool of members that can be elected on to the board. The current officers are Brent Macdonald, Pat Wickett, Rick Blancher, Adam Crookes, Dwayne Froese, Dan Huberdeau, Stuart Ferguson, John Rooney, Jon Thompson, Russ Esau and Keith Lillies.

There was a discussion of how we can improve safety for the 2014 season. Topics included having a dedicated safety officer, a GPS map of the course with waypoints so it's easier to find injured riders, getting a better first aid kit and a better method of training sweepers.

A motion was forwarded by Travis Ferguson and seconded by Pat Wickett to form a safety committee consisting of Rob Paige, Keith Lillies and Jon Thompson who would recommend and implement changes involving rider and spectator safety. The motion was discussed and all in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

A motion was forwarded by Pat Wickett and seconded by Travis Ferguson to use Rob Paige as MDR's official race medic for the 2014 season. The motion was discussed and all in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

A motion was forwarded by Ron Routledge and seconded by John Rooney to add two new classes and edit the class definition of another. The new classes would be Girls 10-14 105cc/230cc and Sportswoman (beginners) unlimited displacement. Novice Women would now become Novice Women 15-18. The motion was discussed and all in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

A motion was forwarded by Pat Wickett and Seconded by Keith Lillies that MDR would not allow any duplicate bike numbers for the 2014 season to avoid complication and confusion in scoring and at the starting line. The board would be responsible to define and implement the exact policy. The motion was discussed and all in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

A motion was forwarded by Reg Wiebe and seconded by Pat Wickett that the bike number 22 be permanently retired in the MDR club in honour of Jonah Crookes. All in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

A motion was forwarded by Travis Ferguson and seconded by Ron Routledge to form a land committee consisting of Jon Thompson, Greg Heinrichs, Adam Crookes and Josh Wuirch. The motion was discussed and all in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

A motion was forwarded by Ron Routledge and seconded by Pat Wickett that we have a defined scoring dispute mechanism. After much discussion the following was proposed and all in attendance voted in favor of this motion.

- All disputes must be brought to the attention of the race marshal in writing within 30 minutes of the results being posted.
- The race marshal will confer with a minimum of one other board member to review the dispute.
- All racers involved in the dispute must be consulted so that a fair decision may be made.
- If a racer has left the race area prior to the dispute being brought forward the board will attempt to contact the racer in the days following the race to review the dispute with them.
- If no compelling evidence or an admission of cheating is brought forward to support the dispute then the race scores will remain posted.
- There will be no appeal process after a decision has been made.

Dan Huberdeau and John Rooney suggested that we need to add more marking to our trails to make them clearer. A discussion ensued and there was a concern that more marking means more teardown and we already have a lack of volunteers to help with this task. Some of the board members have had to stay until 9-10:00 PM after a day of racing to finish teardown. In 2013 some of the teardown was handled by the landowners for a fee. We will continue with this plan where possible. Dan offered to head up teardown at Miniota for 2014.

Jon Thompson gave a report on a new track location for 2014 at Lee River Manitoba. He feels that a course can be ready for September or October and will head up the course preparation.

Dan Huberdeau has a line on a possible race location near Spruce Woods. He will investigate this and report back to the land committee.

A motion was forwarded by Travis Ferguson and seconded by Reg Wiebe to end the meeting. All in attendance voted in favor of this motion.