

2013 MDR AGM

Jan 13 2013

Super 8 Motel

Brandon, MB

Meeting was attended by existing board Brent McDonald, Jon Thompson, John Rooney, Travis Ferguson, Cory Halbert and Ron Routledge as well as 9 members.

Old Business:

Minutes of 2012 AGM were accepted as read with a motion by Brent McDonald seconded by Adam Crookes

Brent McDonald presented an annual report of the 2012 season. It was accepted as read with a motion by John Rooney seconded by Travis Ferguson.

Cory Halbert presented a report on the finances of MDR. It was accepted as read with a motion by Adam Crookes seconded by Travis Ferguson.

A motion to appoint an auditor was proposed. Brent McDonald volunteered to audit the 2012 financials. The motion was approved by a motion from Adam Crookes seconded by Jon Thompson.

Jon Thompson made a presentation regarding MDR's activities in keeping land public land access available to off road vehicles. MDR has had representation whenever possible at meetings but unfortunately the Manitoba government is moving forward with restriction or closure of some areas.

New Business:

There were several motions put forward by club members for discussion at this year's AGM.

Whereas generator usage has become significant at races and whereas sleep is an integral part in race performance, be it resolved that generator quiet hours will be 21:00 to 0800 nightly. This will provide adequate rest periods for everyone. Motion proposed Pat Wickett. Motion was voted on and defeated.

Whereas generator usage has become significant at races and whereas sleep is an integral part in race performance, be it resolved that quiet hours will be 22:00 to 07:00 nightly. No generators or music will be allowed during this period. No running of motorcycles or ATV's will be allowed from 22:00 to 08:00 with the exception of equipment authorized by the MDR board for track preparation. This should provide adequate rest periods for everyone while allowing adequate time to prepare for the 9:00 AM race. Motion proposed by John Rooney. Motion was voted on and approved.

Whereas race rates are posted on the Manitoba Dirt Riders website, and whereas race fees can be adjusted by the board to ensure fiscal sustainability, be it resolved that the rates be removed from the

constitution to allow changes as the board sees fit. Motion was proposed by Brent MacDonald. Motion was voted on and approved.

Whereas 50cc racers are a significant safety concern, and whereas 50cc racers need to have ability to race without sustained risk from older racers, be it resolved that all Manitoba Dirt Riders Inc. functions will have a dedicated track for 50cc riders only. Motion was proposed by Brent MacDonald. Motion was voted on and approved.

Whereas the Junior A class states that engine displacement is limited to 85cc / 230cc, and whereas riders aged 12 – 16 years old may require a larger bike, be it resolved that the Junior A class change to allow 105cc / 230cc engine displacement. Motion was proposed by Brent MacDonald. Motion was voted on and approved.

Whereas the jump from one hour to two hour races can be a significant challenge, and whereas club members who are overqualified for “C” class races but are not willing to race in a two hour race, be it resolved that Manitoba Dirt Riders Inc. create a one hour “Outlaw” class to be structured at the board discretion. Motion was proposed by Jon Thompson. Motion was voted on and approved.

Elections

There were several changes in the board this year due to resignations and end of terms. The following changes came into effect at the meeting.

President Travis Ferguson was nominated by Ron Routledge with Brent McDonald seconding. As there were no further nominations Travis was appointed President by acclamation.

Vice President Jon Thompson was nominated by Ron Routledge with Brent McDonald seconding. As there were no further nominations Jon was appointed Vice President by acclamation.

Secretary Ron Routledge was nominated by Brent McDonald with John Rooney seconding. As there were no further nominations Ron was appointed Secretary by acclamation.

Officers Rep Gilles Corbeil was nominated by Jon Thompson with Cory Halbert seconding. As there were no further nominations Gilles was appointed Officers Rep by acclamation.

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Riders Rep Stacy Jones was nominated by Marshall Askew with Rick Blancher seconding. As there were no further nominations Stacy was appointed Riders Rep by acclamation.

For 2013 the following people were proposed as officers. Brent McDonald as landowner liason, Pat Wickett as political liason and Rick Blancher as general officer.

2013 Schedule

The board will meet to determine the 2013 race schedule. John Rooney has suggested that the board organize a non competitive ride weekend if possible.

Fundraising

Last year's sponsorship program was a great success and will be returning for 2013. We will also work toward organizing a 50/50 draw program.

Capital Expenditures

The following capital expenditures are proposed for 2013. Some of these will need to be done early in the year and some can happen over the year as finances allow. Purchase of a generator for the race trailer, fencing equipment, a PA system, 2 way radios, an ATV and perpetual championship trophies.

Open Discussion

Rick Blancher stated that the jump from the Sportsman loop to the C loop in Miniota is too steep. The board will try to address this concern, but the topography of the land may make this difficult to change.

Reg Weibe would like to see 2 race events in Morden this year. The board will consider this while creating the race schedule. If we are only having one race in Morden it would be best if it could be the weekend of the Corn and Apple festival.

It was suggested that we try to create more defined spectator areas and walkways. The ones created at Miniota were very popular.

Closing

A motion to close the meeting was put forth by Brian Kuffner and seconded by Travis Ferguson.