

Minutes of Ordinary Monthly Meeting 21st July 2011

1 Time and Location

Meeting opened at 7:30 pm on Thursday 21st July 2011 at the Sustainable Living Tasmania office, 1st floor, 71 Murray Street, Hobart.

2 Present

Jeff Dunn (President)
Andy Semmler (Treasurer)
Ambrose Canning (Secretary)
Patsy Jones
Austin Greenwood
Kathleen Mohr
Liam Correy
Greg Dutkowski

3 Apologies

Andrew Heard

4 Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

Note that the meeting scheduled for 16th June was cancelled due to people being away.

Motion: that the minutes of the previous meeting held 19 May 2011 be accepted as a true record;

Proposed: Kathleen Mohr. Seconded: Jeff Dunn. Carried.

5 Treasurers Report

The Treasurer presented a report for May and for June.

Bank balance at end May \$19,467

Bank balance at end June \$18,758

Expenses: None

Motion: That the treasurer's two reports be accepted and listed expenditure authorised:

Proposed: Ambrose Canning. Seconded: Patsy Jones. Carried.

6 Membership

As at 15 July 2011

- Total memberships = 245
- Total members = 477

It was noted that Tasmanian BV members due for renewal are not being told or invited to renew with BT instead. Liam and Jeff have been negotiating with BV about this.

Action: Liam and Jeff to progress the issue of Tasmanian BV membership renewals with BV.

7 Business Arising (from May meeting)

7.1 May Action: Austin Greenwood offered to progress how BT can get feedback from members or non-members about what are the barriers to cycling, and to BT membership.

- Closely related to new website and so will progress with that.

- Discussion around getting a professionally developed web site. The cost could be of the order of \$3000. Alternatively, BT can continue to progress with Austin's BT website redevelopment (<http://www.bv.com.au/general/join-in/92734/>)

Action: Austin to continue to progress his work on the redeveloped BT website with assistance from other BT members.

- There was discussion about BT emails and the existing @biketas.org.au addresses. Value was seen in being able to maintain these addresses.

Action: Austin with input from others to investigate possibilities for new BT email system and potential to maintain and the existing @biketas.org.au addresses.

7.2 May Action: Jeff Dunn to progress a Managerial Liability Insurance policy

- At August insurance renewal our insurer will provide a proposal package of insurance including this option.

Action: Jeff to continue to monitor correspondence from the BT insurer for this new insurance package proposal.

7.3 May Action: Austin Greenwood to investigate grant application to possibly cover cost of first aid kits.

- Austin has put in a grant application for Federal grant funds. He will hear the results later in the year.
- The grant application covered 3 or 4 first aid kits, an Eski, a computer.

No further action.

7.4 May Action: Jeff Dunn to progress investigation of minimum rider entry age, consent and liability form signing.

- No progress, carry over to next meeting.

Action carried over: Jeff to progress investigation of minimum rider entry age, consent and liability form signing.

7.5 May Action: Andy Semmler will continue to research possibilities for advertising, promotion or fund raising via the State Theatre.

- Andy described investigations to date. There has been no action past that presented to the May meeting.
- Continue to develop potential plans for a decision in September.

Action: Andy to continue to monitor the State theatre for what is the best BT and cycling promotion deal, and when to do it.

7.6 May Action: Ambrose Canning to find original email BT received advertising the event, to respond to the organisers saying it is a service BT usually charges for, but we can offer to provide it at no cost if they provide the bike racks.

- The future of the Sustainable Living Expo (SLE) is unclear as the hire costs for the present location have increased dramatically.

Action: Patsy to ask the Sustainable Living Expo organisers what their plans are for the next Expo.

7.7 May Action: Ambrose Canning to dig out Canberra information and circulate it.

- No progress, carry over to next meeting.

Action carried over: Ambrose to dig out Canberra information and circulate it.

7.8 ACTION: Austin Greenwood to develop his proposal further for a cycling safety register.

- Done. Integrated into Austin's draft new website.

No further action.

7.9 ACTION: Jeff Dunn to follow up Bike Kitchen request with BT's insurer.

- Bike Kitchen is moving into a building owned by the Wilderness Society.
- It was not possible for BT to provide public liability insurance cover for them.
- Bike Kitchen have made other insurance arrangements.

No further action.

7.10 Bicycling Achievement Awards Nomination

Many press releases from CPF re Aust Cycling Awards. We did not win our section, after mysterious nomination.

No further action.

8 General Business

8.1 New BT Web Pages and How to increase membership

- Membership is intertwined with new BT website, using Facebook, etc.
- Refer to actions 7.1 and 7.8 above.
- Austin, Liam, Jeff, with input from John Dawson, have progressed the proposed new website.
- BT has given up trying to embed new BT webpages into the BV site. Agree that BT should stand alone.
- Austin has produced a new trial website via Google.
- Kathleen proposed that BT start a Facebook page for sharing news, photos, etc. Generally considered a good idea.

Action: Refer to item 7.1 above for actions.

Action: Liam to set up BT as a group on Facebook.

8.2 Draft Greater Launceston Bicycle Network Plan

- A copy of the draft Greater Launceston Bicycle Network Plan was sent to BT for our review and comment by 10 June (last week).
- Liam has prepared and submitted a submission.

No further action.

8.3 The Draft Hobart Rivulet Park Strategic Master Plan

- The Hobart City Council Draft Hobart Rivulet Park Strategic Master Plan is available for public comment
- The consultation period closes for comment closes 5pm, Friday 29 July 2011.
- http://www.hobartcity.com.au/Council/Community_Consultations/The_Draft_Hobart_Rivulet_Park_Strategic_Master_Plan
- Liam has prepared and submitted a submission.

No further action.

8.4 Northern Tasmanian Cyclists Attendance at AGM

- It was proposed that it would be a good idea to invite cycling representatives down from northern Tasmania to BT's August AGM.
- It was proposed that BT could cover fuel costs.
- There was discussion about what services BT can offer them as members. What benefits of BT membership.

Motion: That we invite select northern cyclists to attend the August BT AGM and offer to pay reasonable costs such as fuel, and to provide a free meal at the AGM.

Proposed: Jeff Dunn.

Seconded: Austin Greenwood.

Carried.

8.5 Ride to Work Day

- At this stage only 50% of last year's Tasmanian total entry numbers have enrolled so far.
- Austin asked what BT could do to increase this entry number.
- Liam and others are planning a "Why Ride" promotion about 1¹/₂ months prior that will include promotion of the Ride to Work.

No further action.

Meeting Finished

At: (time not recorded)

Next Meeting

The next meeting will immediately follow the Annual General Meeting which will start at 7.30pm in the Chapel Room, 1st floor New Sydney Hotel, Bathurst Street, Hobart on Thursday 18th August 2011.