

Terms of Reference

Motorcycling Australia 'Whole of Sport Review' (WoSR)

Background

With the recent appointments of a new President (Braxton Laine) and CEO (Dale Gilson), the Board of MA, in conjunction with the SCBs, decided that it was timely for the stakeholders of motorcycling in Australia to review MA's long term strategic, business and participation models in order to guarantee the sports' long term future.

A Review Panel has been formed to oversee and monitor the direction and output of the review. It will ensure the review considers and makes recommendations on:

- *MA's short and long term strategic and business plans and the flow on effects for SCBs.*
- *The broad objectives and benefits of any future governance reforms at both a state and national level.*
- *The most suitable constitutional and governance arrangements, including the development of a suitable template for SCBs to undertake similar governance reviews.*
- *The development and management of national programs/services and associated staffing arrangements across the country.*
- *Enhancing communication, engagement and interaction between MA and both SCBs and all key stakeholders.*
- *The current risk position and ways MA and the SCBs can minimise any potential financial, social, human and media problems in the immediate future.*
- *Any funding issues, especially those that may impact upon members and membership arrangements.*
- *Any transitional and implementation issues, especially as they might relate to the ongoing operational continuity of the organisation.*

Scope and Terms of Reference

The main priorities of the review are to:

1. Look at all commercial, financial and operational aspects of the sport and the associated interface between MA and the SCBs.
2. Review the current Strategic Plan (last updated November 2010), as a component of the extensive national consultation process and develop a new and challenging 'Motorcycling Australia 2020 Road Map'.
3. Evaluate the current MA Constitution as a component of the governance review and ensure that it is a suitable 'building block' for future growth.
4. Investigate and benchmark MA's corporate governance against other comparable models and particularly, the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) 'Mandatory Sports Governance Principles' dated March 2013.
5. Compare existing staffing arrangements and roles within the MA office with a number of selected National Sporting Organisations (NSOs) to ensure that MA has the required 'firepower' to deliver its updated Strategic Plan (2015-2020) in conjunction with the SCBs.
6. Provide general and specific comment/advice on any risks confronting the MA Board and MA as an organisation.
7. Consult widely with SCBs, Board members, riders, staff (state and national), sponsors, the media, the ASC, track owners, commissions, officials and any other stakeholders identified by the Review Panel. A detailed 'Consultation Plan' to be developed, in conjunction with the 'Review Panel', as the first priority on appointment.
8. Provide a practical, achievable, well-researched report and 'Action Plan' with associated recommendations.

Review Timetable

The Review Panel will hold its first meeting on Thursday 4 December 2014. It will report by 30 June 2015 or earlier, if possible.

Review Panel

The WoSR Review Panel will be chaired by an independent chairperson (Ross Oakley). Ross is the former Chairman/CEO of the VFL/AFL.

The other members of the Review Panel are:

- Braxton Laine, President MA
- Dale Gilson, CEO MA
- Brenton Matters, President Motorcycling SA
- Wayne Holdsworth, CEO Motorcycling Victoria