



Beechworth Chain Gang Incorporated Committee of Management Minutes

7.00pm Thursday 15 June 2023

Location

Bridge Road Brewery

Present

Rowena Gould, Luc Plowman, Ross Baker, Brendan Griggs, Adrian Rodda, Maria Kraus (Treasurer), Joe Arblaster,

Apologies

Lynn Frerichs (President), Jenny Griffiths (Secretary), Tom Meredith, Paul Fitzgerald and Steve Martin.

Acknowledgement of Country

We respect and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and future. We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' stories, traditions and living cultures on this land and commit to building a brighter future together.

We recognise that sovereignty was never ceded. Always was, always will be Aboriginal land.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Committee members to declare any conflicts of interest. None noted.

Agenda Item	Details
Minutes of the previous meetings	Motion <i>That the minutes from the 18.05.23 meeting be confirmed as a correct record.</i> Moved: Luc Plowman Seconded: Ross Baker <i>NB. Minutes are now being uploaded onto the BCG website, and an invitation is extended to all members for every committee meeting.</i>
Circular Resolutions	None

<p>Correspondence Report</p>	<p>Incoming: Insurance invoice, Camp Quality trailer hire application, Beechworth Correctional Facility Cheques, AusCycling EOI for 2024 events</p> <p>Outgoing: Nil</p> <p>Camp Quality Trailer Hire Application</p> <p>From Chris Novak (BCG member and Camp Quality Events Manager) - In the agreement, it says that only the person who is associated with the club and booked the trailer is allowed to use the trailer. This of course makes sense to me. The only thing is that given it is a moving event with up to 40 cyclists spread across a few kilometres, I am the person who would be required to go back and forth to deal with any issues. The trailer is planned to be towed by the rear vehicle / Tail End Charlie and this won't necessarily be me but rather one of my Camp Quality colleagues.</p> <p>I wanted to know what the club thinks about this, and what options there would be for me/Camp Quality to have two, or even three assigned and approved drivers towing the trailer.</p> <p>Disclaimer - specifies hire by not who it's towed by. Record of drivers licence on form and has to be a member of the club. Person hiring takes responsibility. Check with insurer?? Idemnitiy?? Name on insurance policy? To be followed up by Maria - Will talk to Bendigo bank.</p> <p>AusCycling EOI for 2024 events</p> <p>Does the club want to host any events in 2024?</p> <p>What is required? Do we need to commit if EOI accepted?</p> <p>Potentially - Cyclocross / Epic / MTB Park Mini Enduro / Flame Trees ? SHITS / Host National XCO / Marathon - 2 laps of Epic !!</p> <p>Jenny?? to follow up.</p>
<p>Toilets</p>	<p>LF met with ISC on 6 June 2023 to discuss temporary portaloo options until we get a permanent option. TBC next meeting.</p>
<p>Treasurer's Report</p>	<p>Cash flow:</p> <p>Profit and loss: -\$17000 loss - park expenses etc</p> <p>Bank Statement: here</p> <p>Club now has a square reader.</p> <p>Events / Merch / BBQ etc.</p> <p>Korinne to help Maria set it up.</p>

	<p>Merch \$4250 Income: \$1000 Mainly Junior sizes left.</p> <p>Sell old merch on website? Sally to advertise on socials?</p> <p>Future costs - vegetation offsets for Stanley trails. Epic cost: \$180,000 ? Landcare grants?</p> <p>Motion <i>That the finance report tabled at the 15.06.23 Committee Meeting is confirmed as a correct record.</i> Moved: Brendan Grigg Seconded: Adrian Rodda <i>All in favour</i></p>
New Members	<p>New members: Otis Collins Cobie Flower Ottillie Lewis</p> <p>Motion: <i>That the new members are accepted.</i> Moved: Ross Baker Seconded: Joe Arblaster <i>All in favour</i></p>
Motions of which notice has been given	N/A
Matters arising from the minutes	See Action Items - Appendix 1
Child Safety	<p>Working with Children Check - JRP and Working Bees RG to assist with maintaining a spreadsheet noting expiry dates - JG/RG Start of each Term Brendan to have induction talk with group leaders.</p>
General Business	<p>Five-Year Plan (JG) Rollover to next meeting The 5 year plan has been promoted to members and JG has developed the BCG 2023 Annual Plan.docx Motion: <i>That the 2023 Annual Plan is accepted.</i></p>

Moved:

Seconded:

All in favour

Committee roles (based on CLUBMAP recommendations) (LF/JA)

Review club structure and assign roles to vacant positions from current CoM.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1EQ1ihBNvC7w-mbpmMMPRDVCHTIXR2Jfb>

Epic Trail (LF/LP)

- see trails

JRP (BG)

- Last session for Term 2. Feedback is positive.
- Focus for Term 3 - skills groups
- Social rides with other junior clubs
- Development skills courses for instructors - Level 1? Numbers?
- Footage of Lia - post on JRP whatsapp group
- KOBOS joint ride with JRP?

Trails (LP)

- Another successful trail care day at the mtb park this month, creekside bridges made safer, berms improved on snakes and ladders, more leaf blowing and drain clearing - excellent digging conditions. MTB park looking and riding a lot better, thanks to all who have helped in recent trail care days at the park. Next working bee 2nd July most probably at mtb park TBC
- Mark Turner (ISC epic trail manager) is reviewing with council how they can fix the puddles / mud on pipeline (vehicle track component), hoping council can fix this for us
- Area of epic trail from silver ck caravan park to Maugers rd needs work, putting together a plan for this at the moment to improve safety, improvement to drainage also needed in area that recently received road base (insufficient), possibly August trail care day
- with the wet weather there have been more fallen trees recently, reporting processes working well, trails working group have been active in clearing trees
- Flame Trees - potential to use Epic spray contractor to spray FT in Spring?

Grants update (LF)

- See grants summary page [here](#)
- \$1000 from Charles Sturt for Granite Girls 2.0 confirmed.

Granite Guys (TM)

- XX

Granite Girls 2.0

- Working group is formed to deliver the next phase.
- EOI's to be sent out in next couple of weeks

Bike Park Trail Sanctioning (LF)

- No new update.

Australian Sports Foundation (SM)

- The supporter platform is live and Sally has been asked to promote this fundraising venture.
<https://asf.org.au/donate/the-beechworth-chain-gang>

20 Year Anniversary of Beechworth MTB Park (PF)

- Deferred until October Club Day
- ?21st Bday May 2024?

Club Merchandise

- Work in progress.

Trailhead Master Plan

- Work in progress

Calendar of events (SM drafted)

- Please update this as you see/hear events popping up. Can someone please chat to Sally about putting an events panel on the website (or similar)?
- RG to ask sally to follow up.
- [BCG 2023 Calendar of events](#)

Dirt bikes on sanctioned trails

- Council is working on comm's that we can share, discussion not to begin at the club level. It will likely be similar to Cnr Goldsworthy's email: Please encourage anyone who observes motorbike riders on designated mountain bike trails, like the MTB Park and Epic, to take any footage of the offenders they can and to concurrently contact police on 000. A description of the motorbike, the riders, the location, their direction of travel etc is all good information. If the problem persists it will help to build a profile of the offenders

Helen Haines visit: 20 July 2023

- We hope everyone can join us, welcoming Helen Haines to the opening of our new skills park.

	<p>Membership info</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LF request to have a short blurb regarding benefits of membership etc in each newsletter. • RG: Any updates on templates in TidyHQ to welcome new members, thank those that have renewed and a reminder to those that have lapsed? Chatting to Sally. Work in progress.
Business without notice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is there a masterplan for the carpark/skills/toilets/pump track area of the MTB Park . Asking to make sure we have left room for future weekend cafe/bar/workshop area - a lot of parks heading this way... - Post Box - who's got the key?
In-camera	TBC
Next meeting	7pm on 20 July 2023 at Bridge Road Brewers.
Closure	There being no further business, the stand-in Chairperson thanks the members for attending and closes the meeting at 8:56pm

Appendix One - Action Items

Item	Details	Who	Update
Provide update to DEWLP on plans for MTB park		LF	BCX Projects is working on a plan now. ISC will need to approve the plan as they will be taking over third-party management of the park. BCG to endorse the plan first. 1/9 AusCycling report has been endorsed by the committee and has been forwarded to ISC - awaiting their response.
Use of prison COM land	Beechworth Prison - contact is Terry Jose	LF, IB & RL	Lyn and Richard met with Bill Love and worked through options. RL taking the lead on this project. 02/12/21 Refer to minutes 10/2/22 On hold until the audit is complete 28/04/22 LF will contact Terry Jose to give an update and maintain contact.
Dingle Block Trails	Work with DEWLP to sanction trails in the Stanley Dingle Block region	LP	02/21/21 Ian has the map for the region. Ian to understand the DEWP approval process by talking with Richard from Yack Tracks before the commencement of the official conversation with DEWLP. 10/02/22 Refer to Committee meeting minutes. Masterplan funding is pending an announcement on 09/22 22/06/22

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			<p>Masterplan funding was unsuccessful. LP is planning to have a discussion with Simon from DEWLP. 1/9/22 DEWLP is willing to engage further on this issue once we have sorted issues around the MTB park, jumps track and Epic trail.</p> <p>April 23: LP discussion with DEECA; request for PDF drawing of relevant trails (in addition to trails they are already aware of: Flowpoke, Water Race etc). First step is GPS file overlapping with special protection zones, cultural overlay, heritage etc. If it gets past that, then an independent consultant does a review. DEECA needs to get through a backlog first. It will be on their radar shortly; it's not a quick process but the ball is moving.</p> <p>June 23: preparing map and GPX files to send to DEECA, hope to send this month</p>
Trail Counter	BCG requires a new trail counter to position on various trails	LP	<p>10/02/22 Refer to Committee Meeting Minutes - purchase approved 22/06/22 Refer to Committee Meeting Minutes - purchased and in position 1/9/22 Luc advised counter numbers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MTB park lowest 25/day in winter, 75-80/day in January - Therapy trail currently 6-10/day - Flowpoke currently 1-2/day <p>January 23 numbers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MTB park 75/day

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Therapy 3/day - only just been cleared of trees and drainage repaired in mid-Jan - Flowpoke 3/day - also only just repaired from water damage & blackberries <p>April 23 numbers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MTB park 35-45/day (reduced due to Epic) - Therapy 3/day - Flowpoke 3-5/day <p>May: 39 riders daily at MTB park, 3-5 on Therapy and Flowpoke June 23: MTB park 25 riders daily, 2-4 on therapy and flowpoke. Numbers similar to last year for June</p>
Club Merch	RL looking into; will try and use drop shipping instead of carrying stock ourselves	RL	<p>27/04/23</p> <p>Looking at several different options for merch - long sleeve shirts, caps, thermals, Windstopper vests, sleeves. It was reported that Champ Systems worked well in the previous run of orders.</p> <p>18/05/23</p> <p>Korinne is looking to kick things off with beanies, caps and socks to start with. Work in progress.</p>
Snake kits	Organise snake kit tins for MTB Park and Flame Trees	JA	23/04/23
Trailhead Plan	Masterplan of the trailhead that includes skills, carpark, toilets etc.	LP	Trails working group, waiting to hear if we are successful in obtaining a grant for the storage shed and toilet
Club day	Heap of events offered for all club members, possibly Oct 2023	AR	Waiting on the park to be sanctioned

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Insurance	Need to increase the club's insurance coverage to include trailer and all tools (\$10K).	LF	Complete
Timing system	Look into buying a system	AR	