


2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Hawkes Bay Mountain Bike Club (Inc)



Held at *East Pier, Napier* – Monday 3rd July, 2017

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Agenda

- ❑ Opening welcome by the Chairperson
- ❑ **Attendance/Apologies:** (circulate page, for each person to write in their full name)
- ❑ **Minutes/Reports from previous AGM** - held on Wed 4th July, 2016 @ *East Pier, Napier*
 - ✓ Matters arising from previous AGM ?
- ❑ **Power-point presentation & discussion of all Managers Reports**
- ❑ **General Business**
 - ✓ Discussion of any subject, raised from the floor?
 - ✓ Summary of goals for the next 12 months (Chairperson)
- ❑ **Election of Executive Officers**
 - ✓ *Chairperson - Secretary - Treasurer*
- ❑ **Management Committee**
 - ✓ *Parks, Funding, Youth Development, Marketing, Events, Volunteers, Social*
- ❑ **Awards** - Presentation of the "*Merv Cameron Memorial Trophy*" for Club Participation
- ❑ Closing by Chairperson

Chairperson Report

Kia Ora & welcome to the final report for the 2016-2017 membership year.

I really hope you have had some great rides during the last 12 months & that you intend to join us again for the next 12 months, as it is an exciting time to be a mountain biker in Hawkes Bay.

I have been privileged to have ridden in many locations around the North Island over the last year, as it's always great to explore new areas. However, I have also had many great rides in our local MTB Park & I truly believe we have a phenomenal, world class asset on our back door, which we mustn't take for granted, so I am very thankful to all those very generous folks at Pan Pac, who year on year allow us to access their forest. In particular I would like to thank **Ed Saathof** & **Peter Reid** who have been awesome to deal with!

This has been my forth year as Chairperson of your club (one of the largest MTB clubs in NZ, with **2159** members for the 2016/17 membership year) & I am proud of what has been achieved. Let's have a look in more detail ...



Chairperson Report...

Park Development

This has been a key focus and more good progress has been made with nearly **6km** of new trails built over the last year. Plus we have a lot more planned to be built over the next few years. But, this new development does come with a hefty price tag.

We generate income from the following 4 main sources:

- ❑ **Memberships + Permits:** Fees distributed to approx. 20% **Admin**; 10% **Savings**; 70% **Park Maintenance**
- ❑ **Gaming Trusts:** we have been partially successful with our applications, mostly used for new trail construction.
- ❑ **Trail Sponsorship + Donations:** Trailblazer initiative is working well, with support from members, local families & businesses. I would like to thank those who have donated financially to the club in the last year or so. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.
- ❑ **Events:** downhill, enduro + shuttle days held in our MTB Park, with any surplus funds going back into the park development fund.



Chairperson Report...

The nature of a maturing commercial forest means that a year ago we lost riding access to the renowned **Tait Block**. We also only have approx 6 months left in the **Waipunga Block** before that is closed for harvesting, plus the on-going production thinning programme within the **Mill Block**.

The medium term plan is to get back in & redevelop these areas as & when we are allowed to after harvesting / planting.

So a succession plan is critical for everybody's benefit & we have spent a considerable amount of time/energy planning for when these two blocks are closed.

I regularly get compliments from a variety of visitors & club members about how good the level of riding in our forest is & this is a good indicator that we are evolving in the right direction!

- ✓ The overall popularity of the Mill Block is very apparent, where the carpark was extended for the increase in traffic and especially felt at the moment while it's closed for thinning.
- ✓ Again, as a reality of our partnership with Pan Pac, we need to be mindful of our respective footprint within the forest & respect the needs of their commercial operation at all times.
- ✓ There has been additional challenges with not only the production & waste thinning but also carnage caused by Cyclone Cook earlier this year which has effectively closed the entire Mill Block until later this year, which when it reopens we hope to have not only salvaged all the existing trails but also have some new editions / features to reveal.

Chairperson Report...

Regional Developments:

- ✓ We are lucky to still have plenty of options within Pan Pac Eskdale MTB Park, plus there are numerous other MTB developments currently underway regionally, including - **Te Mata Peak**; in **Central HB** and at **Wairoa**.
- ✓ In particular there is good momentum with some significant MTB development in Havelock North. There are a number of challenges & obstacles still to overcome, so hopefully this is completed within the next year, as this will only enhance what we have to offer in the mighty Hawkes Bay.
- ✓ So as the "**Hawkes Bay**" Mountain Bike Club, we must be open to & support / encourage where we can, new opportunities as they arise. Exciting stuff indeed.



Chairperson Report...

Other Key Developments, during the year include:

- ✓ Youth Development, with dedicated folk helping to mentor younger riders, building skill & confidence in upcoming downhill riders (which HBMTBC has a proven record of producing internationally rated riders)
- ✓ Successful & Profitable events, including:
 - **North Island Downhill Series** (NZDH)
 - **Monthly Family Muster Rides**, encouraging mum, dad & kids to get into the forest (*thanks Kim*)
 - **Social Trips**, like the successful Labour weekend Rotorua Shuttle Day & various other MTB trips away exclusively provided for our club membership. (*thanks Glenno*)
- ✓ Trail Working bees, incorporating literally hundreds of labour hours of hard graft
- ✓ Random weekly membership checks by local security (*thanks Lance*)
- ✓ A Park Maintenance Contractor, keeping our existing trail network in top condition (*thanks Brian*)
- ✓ The Parks crew have been kept very busy. So I would like to personally thank them for an outstanding effort, keep up the great work fellas, you guys & gals rock !

Chairperson Report...

Financially your club is in good shape, with a pleasing finish to our financial year. This once again has been due to prudent fiscal management of our club funds. Operating costs have generally risen & there is significant additional costs of building new tracks, let alone the cost of maintaining what already exists. However the club had previously been focused on saving hard for this as per the strategic plan & moving forward there is a plan to spend some of those reserves in conjunction with continuing the drive for additional funds via other income streams.

The HBMTBC efforts were recognised in the annual **Hawkes Bay Sports Awards**, with 2 out of 4 nominations selected as finalists. Amongst a prestigious group of athletes/administrators/supporters we did not win, however I believe it is important to acknowledge the effort put in & regionally mountain biking was well represented on the award night.



Chairperson Report...

- There is still plenty more ahead to achieve & for us as a club it is going to be important to continue building strong relationships with all the stakeholders involved on a local & national level.
- One of the challenges will be encompassing any new health & safety legislation requirements as they arise.
- Ultimately, I have enjoyed immensely those times in the forest riding with my kids or mates, it is always a privilege to share those moments with others & to tell a tall tale about the ride afterwards is a bonus, I hope you have too!
- Thanks to **ALL** those folks who have contributed towards the continuing success of the HBMTBC during the last year, especially the hard-core group of committee members & associates who just get stuck in & get the job done !

In the meantime ride hard, ride safe. Looking forward to seeing the results of the year ahead. See you out on the trails... *Cheers* Scott Richardson.



Committee

2016-2017 Committee :

CHAIRPERSON

Scott Richardson

TREASURER

Karreen Mathers

SECRETARY

Carl Larsen

PARKS

Ross Mephram (Eskdale Manager),

Scott Richardson (Taradale Dirt Park Manager)

SOCIAL

Glenn Richards (Manager)

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Tui Makea (Manager)

FUNDING

Carl Larsen (Manager)

MARKETING

vacant position

EVENTS

vacant position

VOLUNTEERS

vacant position

Committee members:

Kevin McCarthy, Greg Taylor, Hilton Taylor, Russell Florens, Robert Paterson, Dave Gordon, Damian Sweetapple, Richard Stone, Kim Anstey, Rowan Haines & Maree Nilsen.

Financial Summary

Income	<u>To 31 March, 2017</u>	<u>To 31 March, 2016</u>
Grants & Donations	36,110	83,852
Event Proceeds	22,704	20,266
Other Income	1,503	1,379
Trail Sponsorships	4,870	16,550
Memberships	45,374	44,090
Visitor Permits	14,739	13,874
Interest Received	2,407	3,018
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Total Income (ex GST)	\$ 127,707	\$ 183,029

Financial Summary...

Expenses	<u>To 31 March, 2017</u>	<u>To 31 March, 2016</u>
Donations Paid	800	-
MTBNZ Affiliation	1,738	500
Bank Charges	5	48
Depreciation	4,280	4,104
Website/Online Fees	4,043	3,334
Administration – General Expenses	2,990	2,729
ID Tags	1,715	4,058
Insurance	741	1,609
Permit Checks (Forest Security)	1,665	1,440
Stationary & Printing	927	1,809
Events	17,120	12,786
Parks & Track Building	63,038	122,163
Sponsorship & Coaching	3,528	750
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Total Expenses (ex GST)	\$ 102,587	\$ 155,330
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Net Income Profit / Loss	25,120	27,699

Financial Summary...

	<u>To 31 March, 2017</u>	<u>To 31 March, 2016</u>
Accumulated Funds	144,062	116,364
Net Income/ Loss	25,120	27,698
	169,182	144,062
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Westpac Acc. Balance	88,672	60,068
3x Term Deposits (total)	63,791	61,548
Accounts Receivable	2,059	994
GST Account	-	3,695
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	155,413	126,305
Non-Current Assets	17,646	18,776
Accounts Payable	327	1,020
Income in Advance	987	-
GST	2564	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,878	1,020
NET ASSETS	\$ 169,182	\$ 144,062

Funding

Purpose: *The HBMTCB administration and funding strategy enables successful / professional events and other club initiatives that require justified spending. The funding arm should be able to make informed applications to charitable trusts, request sponsorship and seek alternative avenues of funding to secure items on the wish list.*

Funding received during Financial year

(April 2016 – March 2017):

- ✓ Memberships = \$ **45,374** (ex GST)
- ✓ Visitor Permits = \$ **14,739** (ex GST)
- ✓ TrailBlazer Donations = \$ **4,100**
- ✓ Trail Sponsorships = \$ **4,000** (ex GST)
- ✓ Funding Grants = \$ **32,010** →

- NZ Community Trust (*Minefield track*) = \$ **17,000**
- First Light Foundation (*DH Container*) = \$ **3,000**
- First Light Foundation (*DHCoNZ*) = \$ **1,010**
- Infinity Foundation (*Minefield track*) = \$ **4,000**
- Infinity Foundation (*NZDH 2016*) = \$ **1,000**
- Infinity Foundation (*DW Enduro*) = \$ **1,000**
- Pub Charity (*Rolly track*) = \$ **5,000**



Events

Purpose: *To organize, manage & facilitate MTB events from club level thru to national level.*

Events held over the last 12 months include:

- ❑ **Mill Block Shuttle Days**
 - *Generally held on Last Sundays each month*
- ❑ **North Island Downhill Series (NZDH)**
 - Round #2 – *Saturday 29th October, 2016*
- ❑ **Doug Wisor Enduro**
 - *Sunday 30th October, 2016*
- ❑ **Family Muster Rides**
 - *1st Sunday each month*
- ❑ **2017 DHCoNZ National DH Series**
 - Round #2 – *Saturday 14th January, 2017*



Parks

Pan Pac Eskdale MTB Park Status:

TAIT BLOCK

- This block was **CLOSED** in June 2016 for harvesting.
- Trail development maybe allowed once they have completed logging
- No riding access allowed until Waipunga Block is all harvested

WAIPUNGA BLOCK

- This block has had the western side of Magog Road reinstated, due to the Mill Block temporary closure, with most trails now re-opened.
- Most trails have been regularly maintained with blower & spraying.
- Magog Road & Burden Road (between the tank & Tait Blk) will be upgraded during July-August 2017 in prep for logging, which will be **CLOSED** to bikes during this time, therefore designated crossing points will be setup with signage.
- This block is scheduled to be CLOSED for logging in early 2018.



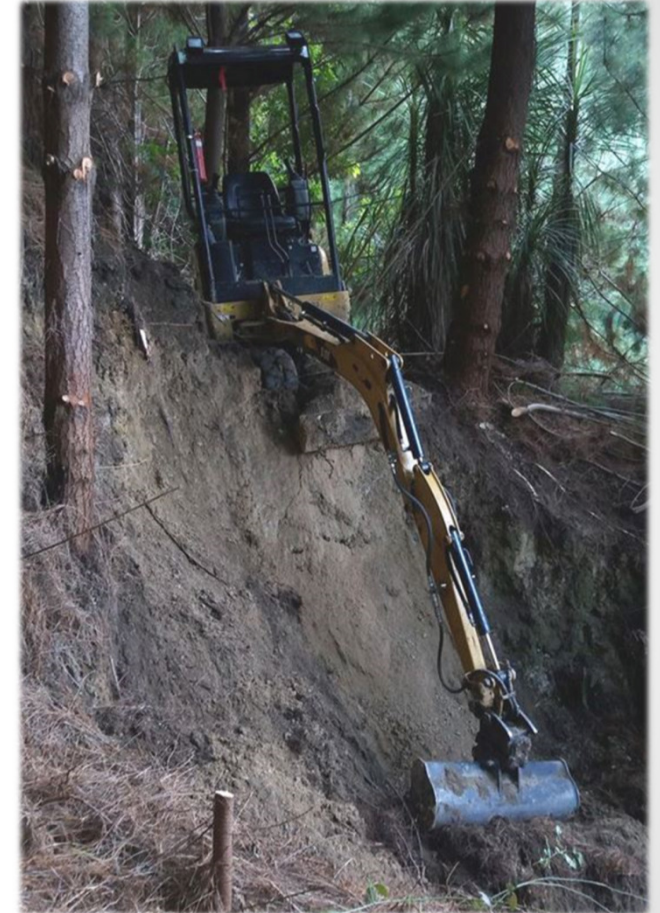
Parks cont...

PAKURATAHI VALLEY

- Gravitahi DH track has had some remodelling over the last year.
- Trail map recently updated with all the old motorbike trails included.
- This block will be **CLOSED** during July 2017, while they build new skid sites & roading in the top corner, north of Road B6.
- This block is scheduled to be **CLOSED** Feb-April 2018 while they harvest the area north of Road B6.

REPLANTED BLOCK

- Two new trails "Minefield" (2km) and "Rollie" (0.5km), built in 2016.
- Skyline, Blowhole + Rollie currently **CLOSED** due to thinning operations.
- During the Waipunga Block harvesting, it's expected that Mill Valley Road & Pylon Rd and therefore "Sweeper", will be closed from 2018-2020.
- "Rollie" was built anticipating this, to allow an exit from "Cannonbal" & "Minefield" thru to "Blowhole".



Parks cont...

MILL BLOCK

- “Northface” (2.7km) was completed in late 2016, “Dun-n-Dusted” (0.9km) and “Snoopy” (1km) were built in 2016.
- Lots of disruptions over the last 12 months, with closures of Tinker Road for logging trucks and then production & waste Thinning to the back half of the block and then Cyclone Cook destroying some areas.
- Ken Ross Reserve is currently being harvested. Will replant in Native. Scheduled to be available to us for track rebuilding in early August.
- Waste thinning operations expected to go thru until mid-August.
- This block remains **CLOSED** until all thinning/logging operations are completed and once ALL the trails have been re-opened.
- Tinker Road will be **CLOSED** again for the harvesting of the Pakuratahi Valley back blocks, therefore we’ll have our two MTB Crossing points reinstated.



Parks cont...

Upcoming MTB Park Development

- Clean up working bees of all Mill Block trails effected by the thinning & cyclone.
- Rebuild "Gateway" trail – but with much flatter and easier grade.
- New facilities proposed within the flat area of the Reserve, including wooden trials arena, toilet, bike wash and shelter. Approval has been granted and funding has been obtained from NCC.
- Replacement of all trail signage within Mill & Replanted Blocks plus more directional signage & suggested trail loops, with a new look.
- Build remainder of "Lorax" (1.4km) on northern side of Valley Rd to complete full loop.
- Upgrade skidder track the contractors cut between Loop Road & Blowhole, with a new section at Loop Road end (as currently too steep) – for our Quad bike access to the Replanted Block.
- Build new 2-way, grade 2 or 3 MTB track from Norms Road down onto this Quad track.
- Build new grade 2 trail (1km) from top of Snoopy down to bottom of Boars Nest.
- Build new grade 3 climbing trail (2km) from bottom of Oliver's to Loop Rd, near top of Oliver's.
- Complete construction of the new grade 4 trail "Progressive" between the Tsunami area down to Boars Nest, which was 75% completed before the storm damage.
- On-going route clearing & hand-build of grade 3 "Tardis" west of Shags Landing.



Parks cont...

WORKING BEES

- ✓ We have had numerous working bees over the last year that included pruning/clearing new trails, hand-build of new trails, grooming new trails that had been built by digger and trail-clearing after the waste thinning.
- ✓ The working bees to clean up the Mill Block have each had approx **30** volunteers attend, which has been a great moral booster achieving a lot of work in a short space of time, making the job ahead not seem so daunting.
- ✓ The Parks Crew would like to say a BIG **THANK YOU** to all those that have helped out in various jobs undertaken within the MTB Park over the last 12 months, especially to those that keep coming back week after week !
- ✓ Any member that wants to build a new trail are encouraged to come forward and discuss with the Parks Crew about it (to make sure it doesn't clash with future proposals) and to get Pan Pac approval before starting.

Total Volunteer hours recorded for the last 12 months @ Pan Pac Eskdale MTB Park, has been just over **1000 hours**.



Parks cont...

MTB TRAIL FUNDING

We have received Trailblazer, Charity and Council funding over the last 12 months to help fund the following developments:

- ❑ **Rollie** – *Pub Charity*
- ❑ **Minefield** – *Infinity Foundation, NZCT, MyValuer, Bay Espresso, Kiwiesque, Chris Day + proceeds from the Mill Block Shuttle Days*
- ❑ **Snoopy** – *Bay Espresso, Well Within + proceeds from Shuttle days*
- ❑ **Ken Ross Reserve Development** – *Napier City Council*

In addition to this, we have had great support from the following local suppliers and contractors:

Tumu ITM; Jason Juno (Coast&Co), Branded (Signage), Tomoana Transport and Baywide Dingos.



Parks cont...

CONTRACTORS

- ✓ A big thank you to **Brian Hankin**, our part time maintenance contractor, who has been spraying, blowing, chain-sawing and brush-cutting to keep all our trails in top condition thru-out the year – allowing us to concentrate on new trail planning and construction.
- ✓ A big thank you to **Lance Simons**, our part time security contractor, who has been randomly turning up to the MTB carparks, to check on permits/membership from everyone who enters/exits the forest. This has seen a huge improvement on permitted only riders/runners entering the forest.

TRAINING COURSE

- We held a formal chainsaw NZQA certification course for 14 members earlier this year (units 6916 + 6917).
- Along with the 11 members who did this course 2 years ago, we now have 25 trained & certified members to assist in trail development and clean-ups. (Only certified users can work within the forest).
- This has shown it's worth already with the Mill Block working bees, with approx. 10 chainsaws going at each.

Lastly, a massive thank you to **Pan Pac**, **Ed** and **Pete** for their on-going support of the club and access of their land.

Ross Mepham - Parks Manager

Marketing & Communication

Purpose: To promote the club and sport to local, regional, national & tourist markets via all media.

- ❑ **Website:** www.hawkesbaymtb.co.nz - The website is the main portal for all club information and club contacts, with links to forms and online membership / permit registration portals (thru ACTIVE).
- ❑ **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/HawkesBayMTB/ - all club news and events posted online as they happen, (nearly 2000 followers). We also manage www.facebook.com/PanPacEskdaleMTBPark/ - for MTB Park news, and www.facebook.com/HBshuttles/ for the Monthly Mill Block Shuttle Days.
- ❑ **E-News:** The weekly e-news and monthly e-newsletters are loaded with all relevant local and national MTB content, emailed to all current club members, selected local contacts & the monthly e-newsletters are also sent to all MTB club contacts nationwide.
- ❑ **Events:** Promotion/marketing of club events are thru weekly club emails & online via both the club website & club facebook pages.
- ❑ **Brochures:** Printed approx every 2 years, displayed at the Napier I-Site.



Social

Purpose: *To increase the participation of club members at all levels of ability, to ride socially, forming new relationships and exploring other MTB trails anywhere within New Zealand.*

Social Trips held over the last 12 months:

- ❑ **Annual Rotorua Shuttles** – Friday 21 October, 2016
155 registered riders + 5 OTD, with all 4 shuttle buses
- ❑ **Kaimanawa HeliBike** – Saturday 5th November, 2016
4 riders went in wet conditions with snow on the peak
- ❑ **Te Iringa Track** – Sunday 12th February, 2017
17 riders went on this 7 hour EPIC journey --->
- ❑ **Great Lake Trail** – Sunday 2nd April, 2017
8 riders, 39km thru the Waihaha and K2K sections with boat ride



Youth Development

Team: Tui Makea (Manager), Kim Anstey (Family Rides)

Purpose: *To support the young members of the club, by representing them on the committee, voicing any concerns or issues raised from youth members. To also support and develop members for future success at higher level in all disciplines of the sport and to help in the development of new facilities and trails for members.*

Monthly Family Muster Rides

- ✓ Getting families out enjoying mountain biking
- ✓ Well received by new and existing club members.
- ✓ A group of regulars that attend frequently plus often get new families and individual/adult beginners who want to be shown around the tracks.
- ✓ Numbers fluctuate, but average approx 15 each ride.
- ✓ These rides are now on hold until Waipunga Block dries out or once the Mill Block reopens.
- ✓ A group went to Taupo in Sept '16 to compete in a MTB event, with one of the Junior teams placing 3rd



Youth Development...

South Island Youth DH Training Camp

- ✓ 4 Youth riders attended with 3 parents, for a week in late February 2017 to Queenstown for a training camp with the Barrett Bros, ending with the National Champs @ Cardona.
 - ✓ Charile was 5th in U/19 @ Nationals
 - ✓ Taylor was 5th in U/15 @ Nationals
- ✓ Costs were very high (approx \$7500 for 4 riders), making it too expensive to run annually.
- ✓ The kids are keen to pass on their new knowledge to other club members in the 13-18 year age bracket.
- ✓ Charlie is keen to look at running a skills clinic on *Local DH* for fundraising if he makes the worlds team. {He has made this team}



Charlie Makea, George Kerr, Taylor Topp, James Harvey

Oceania MTB Champs 2017

Charlie Makea attended this event in Australia, and finished 5th in U/19 DH.

Volunteers

Purpose: *To provide club run activities with volunteers. Primarily to help run mountain bike events at all levels (club level thru to National level). Also for club working bees for trail building/maintenance.*

THANK YOU to everyone who gave up their time & helped the HBMTBC at any point over the last 12 months, no matter how big or small your role or involvement was, it was much appreciated.

From **club members** to **committee members** to **participants** to **sponsors**.

Without your help, events couldn't be run and trails wouldn't get built.

We appreciate your help!

Merv Cameron Memorial Trophy For Club Participation

Previous Winners:

- 2001 – Carl Larsen
- 2002 – Hilton Taylor
- 2003 - Carl Larsen
- 2004 – Vicky Bloomer
- 2005 – Luke McCarthy
- 2006 – FPG crew
- 2007 – Hamish Macpherson
- 2008 – Andrew Watts
- 2009 – Emma Buttle
- 2010 – Kevin McCarthy
- 2011 – Brendyn White
- 2012 – Hamish Schwass
- 2013 – Don Bricknall
- 2014 - Tui Makea
- 2015 – Robert Patterson
- 2016 – Kim Anstey



2017 Winner is
