



Cycling New Zealand Road & Track Council

24th September 2020 - Video meeting

Meeting started 7.35pm

MINUTES

1. Present

Mike Sim (MS), Erin Criglington (EC), Garry Bell (GB), Mark Ireland (MI), Andy McKay (AMc), Brad Tilby (BT), Olivia Spaans (OS) and Steve Hurring (SH)

CNZ Guests – Tony Mitchell, Jacques Landry

Apologies - Kim Hurst (KH),

2. Cycling New Zealand update

Tony Mitchell ran the meeting through the “health check” that CNZ had recently undertaken on its purpose. Discussion with Tony & Jacques on aspects of this

- Focus on 10 years ahead, rather than BAU delivery
- Significant shift in the environment the sport is operating in
- Purpose defined as “Unlocking People Potential” – key elements of that are Performing, Providing, Supporting and Partnering
- Developing new strategic plan, that will be shared with Member Organisations, so that they can align and support that direction

Tony left the meeting at 8.10pm

3. Minutes of Last meeting (23 July 2020)

“That the minutes are a true and correct record”

GB/EC CARRIED

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Combined Track Championships – draft programme from Technical Panel tabled

- The three options to be costed and then presented to the country for feedback
- 1. Full combined event
- 2. 6/7 day combined event, that requires some pre-qualifying at regional champs
- 3. Status Quo – Two separate champs (this could be three if the Madison & Omnium Champs is held separately as per this year)
- Hold workshops at the upcoming track events, to provide more opportunity to discuss with a wider audience

- Final decision to be made at the AGM in May 2021

4.2 Inclusion of non-CNZ certified events on CNZ website – response received from CNZ and passed onto WBOP. This confirmed the policy of only including Sanctioned events on the CNZ website

5. Confirmation of any Interim Decisions

- Support for development of new junior tour in Tasman region (inclusion in NPS)
- Separate U19 event @ Criterium Championships
- Contingency location for Crit Champs, if for some reason the event is unable to be held in Nov in ChCH (e.g. Covid Levels going up)
- Rotorua confirmed as location for 2021 AGRN

Noted that Dynamo Events has demonstrated that it is possible to still hold major events under Covid restrictions, with the appropriate measures being put in place.

“That the interim decisions be confirmed”

SH/BT CARRIED

6. Correspondence received – letter from Athletes Voice Committee supporting consideration of a combined national track championships.

A reply was sent, confirming that the matter was being looked at and outlining the process that was being followed.

7. Panel Reports –

7.1 Athlete Development & Hubs

- JL gave the meeting an update on the current plans for Hubs, across all codes.

7.2 Emerging Platforms

E-Racing

- 2 x Zwift races added to Junior NRS (excellent work) with emphasis on participation (less tech heavy requirements than ProAm Invitational Events to enable racing - this will almost certainly need to be reviewed as this discipline evolves but is fit for purpose for 2020).
- UCI have released Athlete Selection Criteria for first E-World Champs to be held on Zwift platform in Dec 2020.
- No interest from Zwift in supporting National Champ events prior to this, sounds like they are trying to establish the ground rules first so we could review this in 2021. This does open up the opportunity for other platforms in this space in the interim, but Zwift certainly has highest adoption in NZ
- Opportunities to monetise the interest in E -Racing for CNZ. Being looked at, but some difficulty in that at present.

Cyclocross

- Hosts for NI & SI Schools CX Champs (July 2021) have been appointed. Announcement to come early October.

- Rules & regs for Schools CX events have been updated by Cath Cheatley and KH (with emphasis on encouraging participation as well as maintaining an event representative of the discipline plus consistency in delivery).
- Aotearoa CrossFest incl NZ CX National Champs (Aug 2021) will be hosted by Huttcross in lieu of COVID-impacted 2020 event.
- Need to clarify position on Centre fees for CX clubs under R&T (will need further discussion from R&T/CNZ and KH recommends we aim for decision early 2021 as CX club events start up again in May so clubs will want to re-affiliate or newly affiliate prior).

7.3 Events

- All event organisation is running to plan for the coming season, team at CNZ been very busy working around those events impacted by Covid restrictions.

7.4 Technical

- Appointments for National level events made, just Jorge Sandovals UCI 2.2 Tour and the UCI 1.2 Gravel & Tar still to do.
- Pre-planning for the 2021 Elite Road Champs

7.5 Women in Cycling

- Nothing to report

7.6 Sport Management & Governance

- A Centre had been struck off the Incorporated Societies register for not furnishing annual returns – this is being addressed
- Cycling Waitaki which geographically sits on the boundary has decided to affiliate to Otago Centre, rather than Mid-South Canterbury

8. General Business

8.1 CNZ membership fee for 2021

- Fees have been kept the same, but there is a processing fee through the new system
- Noted that the 2020 Road & Track AGM and Council had tasked CNZ with reviewing the membership structure, membership numbers and fee structure
- Declining membership numbers are affecting all sports, not just cycling, but we need to investigate why former members don't re-join
- Now that CNZ has redefined its purpose (refer Item 2), it can start looking into the issues around membership as discussed at the 2020 AGM

8.2 Cycling Australia / AusCycling

- Noted that Cycling Australia members have voted to join the AusCycling structure, this is a multi-code organisation that has some similarities to the CNZ model

8.3 Agreed to send letters of support to NZ riders that are competing in the World Champs

Meeting Closed : 9.25pm

Next Meeting – 3rd December via Zoom