#### **MINUTES**

# Triumph Motorcycle Register of Australia Annual General Meeting

# Saturday 16 September 2023, 4.25pm



## **Welcome by the President**

The President, Peter Gallagher, welcomed members to the rally, noting in particular the sad death during the year of long-time member and webmaster Peter Shoemark.

# **Apologies**

Steve Lord, Dennis Ainsworth, Terry Harvey, Toby Bateman

# **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes from 2022 AGM accepted.

#### **President's Report**

Peter said he was happy to see so many old bikes at the rally, and also expressed his appreciation to those members, and non-members, who provided assistance and bikes for display at the AMCA Bulli Antique Motorcycle Weekend. The TMRA display had two banners (purchased following discussion at 2022 AGM), fliers, nine bikes dating from 1924 to 1973, and a photo display board. No new members had resulted from the display but there were quite a few inquiries.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's audited report showed an end-of-year balance of \$4,006, down from \$5,342 the previous year.

# **Membership Director's Report**

Bernie indicated that TMRA membership currently stands at approximately 70. New members:

- Brian Davis (Windella)
- Jack Stevens (Windella)
- Terry Harvey (Glen Innes)
- Tim Rigg (Connells Point)
- Kim Swinburn (Eldermore Vale)
- Craig Booth (Peakhurst Heights)

ALL MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: Members who have not paid their dues are requested to return a membership renewal form with their membership fees for the period 1 Sept 2023 – 31 Aug 2024. This can be done either by post/cheque or by email with bank transfer as follows: acct of TMRA, Commbank, BSB 062-593, Acc No 10145371, Reference: e.g. first four letters of name. The form is essential to ensure that the TRMA has correct postal address, email address, mobile phone, machine details etc. Please download the form from the TMRA website (tmra.org.au).

TMRA membership cards for renewing financial members not at the AGM will be provided for the 2023-24 year via post.

## **Events Officer's Report**

The meeting agreed with Lorraine's proposal that in future a full-day ride be planned for the annual rally Friday. This follows a suggestion from Jeff Skillen and a successful full-day Friday ride this year. Lorraine informed the meeting that TMRA would hold another Southern Triples Rally, 17-19 March 2024. She also reminded members of the upcoming Hunter Valley weekend, with a ride on Saturday 11 November.

## **Machine Registrar's report**

Lorraine advised that the ACT had now adopted a 60-day concessional registration scheme, one difference being that in the ACT both private and club rides have to be recorded in the (oversized!) logbook.

## **Regional Representatives' reports**

Jeff Skillen reported that his group had a couple of new members, but rides were getting hard to organise. Col McAndrew thanked TMRA for their ongoing support of the Aussie Triples Rally in Evans Head.

## **Election of Office Holders**

Office holders were re-elected as follows:

President – Peter GallagherVice-President – Col McAndrewSecretary-Trevor FowlerTreasurer – Bob RussellEvents Officer – Lorraine LitsterMachine Registrar – Lorraine LitsterMembership Director – Bernie ClarkAssistant TreasurerAttilio Sciannimanica

Committee-appointed positions: Regional Representatives (Toby Bateman, Rick Moss, Bob Russell, Peter Wishart, Jeff Skillen, Brian Weelands, Ian Wood and Col McAndrew); Regalia Officer (Trevor Fowler); Member Mediation Officer (Tim Tapsell).

## **General Business**

# **Annual Rally venue**

TMRA will return to Panorama Motel, Bathurst, for 2024 AGM and rally. Dates booked 13-15 September 2024. It had been suggested that the accommodation cost was too high, but the meeting agreed that overall Panorama appeared to be the best option available.

#### **Donations to charitable causes**

TMRA will continue with \$500 annual contributions both to NeuRA for motorcycle injury research and to the Heart Foundation. Both of these causes are of interest to the TMRA because of the experiences of former members. It was noted that we overlooked making these payments last year, but would resume for 2023-24.

## Membership

The President put to the meeting that membership should be more open, and the meeting agreed that, for example, anyone who attended an old-bike event and who seemed as though they would be acceptable to the club could be offered membership, rather than having to be nominated by a current member or having to initially attend events.

#### **Facebook**

President to contact those on Facebook but not currently viewing TMRA Facebook page.

## **2023 Awards:**

# 10-year members

Don Mallard Phil Bryant

20-year members receive a gold TMRA badge with their 20-year member certificates (no 20-year recipients this year)

10-year members receive an aged-bronze badge with their 10-year member certificates.

**Rob Mottley Trophy:** 2023 recipient is Bernie Clark, who has efficiently carried out his important role as Membership Director for many years and now is heavily involved in the upkeep of our TMRA website.

King of the Rally: Lindsay Goard's beautiful "some sort of green" '69 Trident!

**President's Choice:** Steve Arthur's wonderful '83 TSS.

Meeting closed: 5.50pm Trevor Fowler Secretary 20 October 2023