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# Bang Went the BRA AGM



Hello and welcome to the BRA's first eNews, the result of a change of committee position, from News Letter Editor to the now Communications Officer, at the 2009 BRA, AGM.

Not withstanding the great efforts put in by the members that volunteered to publish the news letters of the past, it has been generally felt that it was time to move into the electronic age and make use of the internet, webby thing and save the club some bucks.

Most of you would know me as "Flapper", so as Jeff Brown, and I hopefully will be able to supply members and interested parties with up-to-date news and info on BRA activities on a much more regular bases than could be achieved with the old printed medium.



The BRA eNews will still need to have content, apart from my own, it's not my blog, and anything that you want to report on or share with members can be emailed to me at motoJB@bigpond.com

Anything from items for sale, to your opinion on what direction the BRA should be taking in relation to our classes of racing. Or just to make things interesting your

contribution to the eNews as requested by me..... yes I will at random ask one of our members to contribute an article on some aspect of BUCKET RACING. It need not be serious, or technical, but just to make it easy for those unsuspecting contributors,



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I'll name the next victim in the proceeding eNews and provide them with a subject on which to comment. The Phantom, Gary Briggs would be a good place to start, and as he's right on the money for performance, I'll ask him about his ideas on tire pressures and the dreaded tire warmers.

Now this could be as boring as the house of reps, but as Buckets are the cheapest and easiest way to start Road Racing these simple explanations or suggestions can be of great help for the novice competitor and as this is all about promoting Bucket Racing, expect to see your name in a following issue.

## **BRA AGM**

A brief run down on the proceeding and outcomes from the 2009 AGM.

Most things that are good are so for a good reason and in the case of the BRA it's stability,

both in the Committee and in the rules for the classes. Forget the argy-bargy and factions, the BRA AGM was a love-in, filled with reasonable debate and high expectation for better things to come. Well it was pretty good anyway.

The committee remains almost the same, with a change in the secretary's position as Lindsay McKay stood aside, and the Editors position changed to Communications Officer for which I volunteered. Committee for 2009 - 2010 is as follows:

President. Ken Lindsay
Vice President. Trevor Lusby
Secretary. Lyal Bennett
Treasurer. Greg Gould

Machine examiner. Andrew de Jersey

Motolite Rep. Gary Briggs





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Superlite Rep. Tim Smith

Good news about the BRA Constitution as it was presented for discussion and reaffirmed with some minor wording changes. Hopefully available for members to view shortly on the BRA website

PROPOSALS to rule changes.

Most of the proposals were for clarification purposes as against rule changes, one being for no changes to the rules. Yes the class rules are pretty good and are working well, and the tidy ups are as follows:

### **MOTOLITE**

Capacity Classes.

Air Cooled Motors:

111cc 2 strokes

200cc 2 valve 4 strokes

175cc 3, 4 or 5 valves 4 strokes

Water-cooled motors:

85cc 2 stroke, power valves permitted

185cc 2 valve 4 strokes

159cc 3, 4 or 5 valve 4strokes

All of the above are maximum size and include a 2% tolerance.

ENGINES. The choice is now open, with the No Hand Built or Road Race rule rescinded.

## SUPERLITES.

Fork rule: Change from 33mm diameter to 35 mm diameter.

New Rule: No up-side-own forks permitted.

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One of the most interesting items to come out of this meeting was a discussion on the possibility of holding the "Bucket Nationals" outside of the BRA's traditional environs, with



the north coast a suggestion, like Coffs Harbour or Lismore.

There was also discussion on running some independent meetings within the Sydney area on the available kart tracks, the like of Picton, Wollongong, that is already approved for bikes, Eastern Creek etc. Time will tell, and as the committee gets to grips with the

PCRA race program for 2010, and some investigation is done, it will be forwarded to you right here on an eNews.

### **RACE REPORTS**

Well this won't be much of one, I'm usually to busy putting things back on my bike to watch the races and the one's I'm in, are the one's where things fall off. Here's a brief bit from the last ever historic Road Race meeting at OPGP.

Spooky, Paul Borg, clinched the Motolite Championship, Greg Burns lost it after a last lap high side ended his points earning, I believe he lost by 1 point. And unfortunately ended up with a very sore ankle. Michael C continued his run of engine problems with gasket trouble. I did 2 barrels in 2 days plus broke Dave's CB 125.

Neil C tried to race without tightening the spark plug, and Andrew Jones decided to blow his motor up in the pit rather than do it on the track and highside himself. So there no much content here so any contributions in the future will be greatly appreciated.

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## **PRESO NITE 2009**

All the results of the BRA season and winners in all classes will be announced at the Annual PCRA/BRA Presentation Night, to be held again at Mt Victoria in December. Full details will be announced via the PCRA but if last year was anything to go by......

The cost is \$30.00 a head for a 3 course meal, plus I'll be there to make a idiot of myself whether I win the LEO WANKER again or not.

Other greats such as the Superman award and Crasher of the year are also up for grabs, get in early as seats are of a limited number. Contact Ken Lindsay on for your booking, and get your name down for the "Bucket Bash" road ride, out and about with Ken on his preferred roads on the Saturday.

Don't Forget: Wakefield Park - BRA 1 hour entries close this Friday

# For Sale

Suzuki RM 125, New Era race bike. Motard /Road race build. With spares and Tire warmers. Many New Parts, great bike to ride. \$2,200 O.N.O

SORRY - SOLD!

Yamaha YZ80 motor with 85cc barrel, freshly rebuilt with new crank, bearings and seals. Vee force 3 reeds, 30mm carby, chamber and silencer. \$1,400 O.N.O.

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Chinese Mikuni 28mm flat slide copy with clear bowl and 4 stroke needle - \$70

Yamaha YZ80 Vee force 3 reeds, new in box - \$75

Call Michaelc on 0404 065 715



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#### THE BRA AGM

19 September 2009

Draft Meeting Minutes

## Opening:

The 2009 BRA AGM of the Bucket Racing Association was called to order at 14:55 on 19/09/09 in Dundas Sports Club by Andrew de Jersey.

#### Present:

Paul Borg, Mick Sayer, Greg Gould, Lindsay McKay, Garry Briggs, Andrew deJersey, Jeff Brown, Shane Wilcox, Carlyle Bennett, Jim Murphy, Walter Murphy, Tim Smith, Glen Livingston, Trevor Lusby, Ken Lindsay, Michael Combley.

# A. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were not available.

### B. Business arising from the 2007 minutes.

Deferred due to unavailability.

#### C. Discussion & reaffirm BRA Constitution

Copies of the constitution were circulated. Discussion on amendments.

Moved to adopt the Constitution as submitted – Andrew deJersey

Seconded – Jeff Brown Passed unanimously

#### D. Reports

The following reports were received.

President – Ken Lindsay

Treasurer – Greg Gould

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Secretary – Lindsay McKay

Magazine Editor – Not supplied. Ross Coulson was not available.

Supalite – Trevor Lusby in the absence of Lyall Kormura-Cairns.

Motolite – Andrew deJersey

Moved to accept by Michael Combley, Seconded by Andrew deJersey.

Passed unanimously.

## E. Proposals

1. Proposed by Garry Briggs

"That the capacity classes for Motolites be altered to the following

- a. 111cc Air colled 2 strokes
- b. 85cc water colled 2 strokes
- c. 159cc 3,4 or 5 valve water cooled 4 stroke
- d. 175cc 3,4 or 5 valve water cooled 4 stroke
- e. 185cc 2 valve water cooled 4 stroke
- f. 200cc 2 valve Air cooled 4 stroke

These capacities are maximum sizes. A tolerance of 2% in included within these capacities."

Discussion resulted in Garry amending the proposal by the addition of the following:

"This rule subject to review after 12 months at the next BRA AGM"

Moved the proposal be accepted – Lindsay McKay

Seconded – Shane Wilcox

Passed 13 – 3



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2. Proposed by Garry Briggs

"Engines. Choice of engine is open. Any engine conforming to the capacity & valve constraints under "Classes" section 1." (Motolites) "No reference be made to road race or hand built engines"

Moved the proposal be accepted – Garry Briggs

Seconded – Jeff Brown

Passed 13 - 1

- 3. Proposed by Tim Smith
- "Remove the reference to hand built engines"

Withdrawn due to proposal 2.

4. Proposed by Shane Wilcox

"that the 2008/2009 bucket racing rules be carried forward to 20010. No changes"

Withdrawn due to proposals 1. & 2.

5. Proposed by Jim Murphy

"that the fork rule for Supalites be changed from 33mm to 35mm diameter. (No upside down forks)"

Discussion about the change to include upside down forks.

Moved the proposal be accepted – Jim Murphy

Seconded – Andrew de Jersey

Passed 12 - 1

#### F. Election of new Committee

Position	Nomination	Nominated by	Seconded by
President	Ken Lindsay	Shane Wilcox	Walter Murphy
		Jim Murphy	



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Vice President	Trevor Lusby	Jim Murphy	Walter Murphy
Secretary	Lyle Bennett	Lindsay McKay	Ken Lindsay
Treasurer	Greg Gould	Greg Gould	Tim Smith
Communication s Officer	Jeff Brown	Jeff Brown	Tim Smith
Machine Examiner	Andrew de Jersey	Ken Lindsay	Jeff Brown
Race Secretary	Ken Lindsay	Ken Lindsay	Lindsay McKay
Supalite Reps	Ken Lindsay	Jim Murphy	Walter Murphy
	Tim Smith		
Motolite Reps	Andrew deJersey	Jim Murphy	Walter Murphy
	Garry Briggs	Lindsay McKay	Ken Lindsay

The vote for the above positions were all passed unanimously.

### G. General Business

a. Discussion about a bike ride. Proposed date 6th December. Ken Lindsay to look into.

b. Lindsay McKay proposed the adoption of E85 fuel as the preferred alternative fuel for the BRA and that the BRA President, Ken Lindsay, be authorised to approach the PCRA with this proposal and a suggestion that the PCRA should submit to MNSW that E85 fuel be adopted as the preferred alternative fuel.

Seconded – Lyle Bennet

Passed unanimously



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c. Garry Briggs proposed the BRA look at the homologation of the Honda CBR125 as a Supalite.

**Adjournment**: Meeting was adjourned at 17:11.

Minutes submitted by: Lindsay McKay

Approved by: TBC – These are draft Minutes only

Well that's about it for the first issue of BRA eNews, it's a bit rough and ready but it's in your mail box, doing it's best to keep you updated as to what is going on with the BRA

Please send on a copy to your mates or print it out and hang on the small room wall

And, BTW, if we are meeting to discuss matters or doing a road ride in the off season, we'll email you one of these to keep you up to date

See you at Wakefield or at Mount Victoria

Jeff Brown / Flapper

**BRA Communications Officer!**