

Minutes **Special Committee Meeting**
DATE **Thursday 26 November 2015**
TIME **6:00 pm**
LOCATION **Riverton Library**

Meeting Opened at 6.00 pm

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Committee

Geoff Moor	President
Neville Horner	Secretary
Georgie Bennett	Treasurer

Members Fred Belford, Paul Blank, Glen Hodder, John Mclean

1.2 Apologies Sue Churn, Kelvin Ferris, Barry Ebedes, Gary Thirwell, Esther Robertson, Peter Boreham

1.3 Code 404 David Reid, Peter Taylor

2. SPECIAL BUSINESS

Previous Minutes from Meeting on 19th November – accepted

Code 404 Delegates

- John McLean advised that although he would like to stand down from as a Code 404 delegate, he still will remain as the Technical Committee Chairman
- David Reid was proposed as John's replacement as a Code 404 delegate. **Moved** by Geoff Moor that David Reid is elected as a Code 404 delegate. **Seconded** by Glen Hodder. **Passed.**
- Code 404 delegates are now David Reid and Peter Taylor.

Procedural

- Paul Blank raised concerns arising from his Confidential email of 23rd November, 2015.
- It was clarified that the Code 404 delegates do not come under the Technical Committee. They are separate and report directly to the main Committee.
- It was generally agreed that we need a more open approach. Code 404 delegates keep the Committee informed of any planned meetings with the Dept of Transport and to provide feedback on the outcomes of these meetings.

ACTION – Code 404 delegates

- Confidential correspondence needs to be kept as such. Apology accepted.
- Replacement for John McLean needs to be elected. Refer previous discussion.

Seatbelt Exemptions and Dept of Transport

Peter Taylor provided a summary of the current situation with the Dept of Transport:

- The DoT policy group requested the Code 404 delegates attend a meeting on the 23rd November. Seat belt exemptions were discussed at this meeting.
- DoT is concerned with the lack of legality (and subsequent risk of litigation) if an exemption is granted and an accident occurs.
- Under the Traffic Code the Director General can grant an exemption. The Director General is now known as the CEO with the DoT. The DoT policy group advised that the person authorised by the CEO to make exemptions will not grant exemptions.
- Clubs can still directly approach the CEO but the DoT policy group advised that he is highly unlikely to grant an exemption as any such requests are forwarded to the authorised person for review.

Code 404 delegates agreed to issue an outline of the discussions that occurred during this meeting.

ACTION – Peter Taylor by 29/11/2015

General Discussion

- Noted that this only impacts on children aged from 4 to less than 7 years old and questioned whether this was a battle that the CMC should take on.
- Accepted that risk of accidents is higher than it was in previous years when exemptions were granted. Generally agreed that the CMC should not be promoting a scheme which would put lives at risk.
- Concerns raised that a Ministerial approach will damage the good working relationship that the Code 404 delegates have with the DoT policy group.
- The Code 404 delegates have been working with the policy group for some 4 years to help develop the DoT business rules and the CMC code 404 Handbook for historic vehicle concessional licensing.
- Issues under discussion include AIS examiners, logbooks, annual checks, radius for vehicle testing and status of financial members with concessionally licensed vehicles.
- The CMC Committee requested that the Code 404 Delegates ask the DoT to change proposed documentation that puts onus on clubs for ensuring concessionally licensed vehicles are not modified, back to solely owner onus
- Final consensus was that CMC should not push for changes to the latest seat belt exemption ruling and focus its efforts on the Code 404 rules.

Further Action

- Draft email to clubs to be circulated for review together with Code 404 delegates report

ACTION – Neville Horner by 1st December

ACTION – Committee to review and return any comments within 2 days

- Incorporate any review comments and issue email outlining background and proposed approach to be issued to all member clubs with request for advice on how this impacts their club

ACTION – Neville Horner by 3rd December

- Approach on this issue to be discussed at the next Committee meeting on 21st December.

3. NEXT MEETING

Meeting closed at 7:10 pm.

Next regular Committee meeting on Monday **21 December 2015** at 7:00 pm, at the Bassendean Community Hall, Lesser Hall.