



MINUTES OF THE **ROCK & RUT MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB AGM** HELD ON 31 OCTOBER 2017 AT KAJAK CLUB HOUSE

1. Welcome

Michael Lowe welcomed everyone and confirmed that a quorum was not established. 65 members were present in person or in proxy of a total of 260 members. A quorum was formed by default after 20 minutes into the meeting. (section 6.5.1.1 of the constitution)

2. Adoption of agenda

The Agenda as presented was adopted.

3. Approval of minutes of the 2016 AGM

The minutes of the 2016 AGM were approved by the meeting with no amendments. Axel Theissen and Johan Vorster approved latter by show of hands.

4. Chairman's overview of the year and ongoing initiatives

Michael Lowe read the chairman's report of Ekkehard Friedrich, who could not be present at the meeting due to obligations out of town. Report is attached hereto.

5. Development report

Michael Lowe presented his report on the development initiatives the club held throughout the year. The report is attached hereto.

6. Treasurer's overview of the finances

Titus Koen presented the treasurer's report which showed that the club was in a healthy financial position. A surplus of N\$ 82 139 was achieved for the year 2017. The financial report was approved by show of hands by Axel Theissen and Leander Borg.

An increase in the membership fees of about that 6% was accepted by the present Members.

The report is attached.

7. Election of new committee

The following committee members were not available for re-election

- a) Titus Koen
- b) Johanita de Waal
- c) Hans du Toit

The following new committee members were nominated and elected to the committee

- a) Marcel Suren
- b) Andre Steinfurth
- c) Marion Schoneke

8. Questions and Suggestions from present Members

Rolf Adrian, who represents the Namibian Cycling Federation (NCF), thanked the committee for its work for the year. He is satisfied with the work towards developing young riders, that was accomplished in the year 2017.

He then wanted to know what the percentage is, that the day riders make up at the cross country cycling races. He furthermore wanted to know how the number of riders participating at the cross country series compares to 2016 figures.

Johanita de Waal explained that day riders make up less than 10% of riders competing in the series. It was agreed that the number of participants did decline compared to 2016, but no exact statistic was available at the meeting.

Johanita de Waal reiterated the point made in the chairman's report regarding the level of difficulty of the tracks for the xc series. Too many riders do not participate in the xc series as there is a general understanding / acceptance that the tracks are too difficult. It was therefore decided by the committee, that in the 2018 series the focus will be shifted to a more welcoming track for all levels of riders. This will broaden the scope of mountain biking under the Rock n Rut club.

A point raised by Leander Borg regarding development, was that the Windhoek Pedal Power club, donated an amount of N\$ 150 000.00 to the NCF. This then gave the NCF the choice of sending able riders for training camps or to events internationally, without the clubs having

to make these choices. The NCF as governing body appears more objective. He suggested that the Rock n Rut club could follow suit.

Latter point was noted by the committee.

9. Closing of meeting