



# MNZ- ROAD RACE

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# INTRODUCTION

## 2022/2023

Workshop?? No idea what you are looking for so I thought I would ramble on for 90 mins then questions??

- Theme for last two years
  - Consultation and Engagement
  - Communication
  - Understanding
  - Visibility
  - Journey of Discovery!!!

# WHAT DOES THE ROAD RACE COMMISSION ACTUALLY COVER

- Future of the Sport (Sum of the Parts)
  - Sustainability/Evolution
  - Keep the sport at all Genres alive
    - Nationals
    - Clubs
    - Classics
    - Buckets
- Next Generation
  - Juniors our future
  - Not one size fits all
    - All the above contribute to the future

# LAST TWO YEARS 2021/2023

- Visited as many meetings as possible thanks to my long suffering wife!!!
- Track Safety Reviews Started
  - Huge Task here. NZ Perception, Riders perception, Circuit Stakeholders inputs, Engagement.
  - Continue the task
    - Complete the document
    - Engage Tracks to improve awareness of the vulnerability of motorcycle riders.
      - EG Gravel traps surface finish

# LAST TWO YEARS 2021/2023

## Understanding (Opportunity here)

- Absolute Lack of Knowledge in our organization around
  - Process
  - Rules (MOM'S)
  - Supplementary Regulations
  - Application of the Above
- Opportunity here to increase competence

# LAST TWO YEARS 2021/2023

## Conduct

- Disappointment
  - Use of Social Media – Slanderous and Antagonistic commentary in our sport
  - Standards on and off track (Stakeholders)
  - Respect and a lack of (Stakeholders)
  - Accountability or Lack of (Stakeholders)
- We need to lift the bar at all levels
- I take full accountability for the above as the Commissioner and we won't have a repeat
- We set the standard
  - Leave egos at the entrance gate no place in our sport.

# LAST TWO YEARS 2021/2023

## Journey of Discovery

- Brought Drive and Energy
- Leadership and Ownership, Professionalism , well a start
- Long term vision – Long term proposition
- Commitment.
- Frustration
- Stakeholder involvement commitment

# LAST TWO YEARS 2021/2023

## Highlights

- OJC – 3 riders being accepted
- Warm receptions and acknowledgement for the commissions input to the sport.
- 300 Super Sport parity work
- Pukekohe Track Management Plan Approval – Didn't last long???
- Presenting Trophies at the end of the Nationals Eventually !!!
- Stakeholders asking to be part of the Commission and wanting to be involved.



# LAST TWO YEARS 2021/2023

## Low lights

- Reflection on how some of our stakeholders view MNZ and what it represents (misrepresentation but its people's reality)
- Lack of Cohesion in the sport, Team Approach
- Lack of accountability and responsibility of stakeholders
- Effective National Series Co ordinator not being in place earlier
- Budget blow out for Nationals – I call it an investment in the future!!!!
- Yamaha FZR 100- shitting itself at Moto fest!!!

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Journey Next Phase

- Priority – Engagement with Stakeholders
  - Clubs
  - Riders
  - Tracks
  - Promoters
  - Sponsors

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Journey Next Phase

- MNZ Inclusion – What does this look like?
  - Recognising the value of the relationship, Flexible and accommodating to change
    - Riders
    - Tracks
    - Promoters
    - Sponsors
    - Clubs
- Co existing entity, we are MNZ Road Racing.

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Journey Next Phase

- Development and Evolution
  - Sport needs to move on constantly
  - Ideas, Initiatives, Thoughts.
  - Over the remaining time of the presentation some new initiatives will be tabled
- Co existing entity, we are MNZ Road Racing.

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Journey Next Phase

- Development and Evolution
  - Sport needs to be attractive
  - Spectacle
  - Go to Destination
  - Entertaining
- Festivals/ Events - Opportunity

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Nationals

- Terminology – NZSBK?? Review Branding - SJ
  - Why Evolution – Its Not just about Superbikes – Word Association!
  - Pinnacle of the Sport – Does it associate outside of our world?
  - Greater Diversity now around inclusion
    - Suzuki Series
    - Motofest
    - Plus Others??
    - GP'S and TT'S

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## The Nationals

- Classes
  - Superbike A - As is for next 3 years
  - Superbike B – Rebrand and expand parameters – Ducatl, Aprillia, F1 and possible remarket with new brand name – Formula Sport Bears??

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Nationals

- Classes
  - 600 Supersport – Next 3 Years
  - Gen 2 Inclusion but under strict controls
    - Triumph 765, Ducati 955 etc
    - Controlled ECU supplied by Solus Engineering. With compatible dash etc.
    - MNZ will need to purchase technology to support and monitor maps.
    - Ability to change controls by parity process etc.
    - Currently being used in BSB with success. Following this model.



SUPERSPORT 600 and Next Generation (incl. SUPERSTOCK 600)					
Motorcycle	Model Code	Homologation Start Date	Homologation End Date	Phase 1*	Phase 2**
Ducati					
Panigale V2	1H	Feb '22	Feb '30	X	X
Kawasaki					
ZX-6R	ZX600-RF	Apr '22	Apr '30	X	X
Honda					
CBR600RR	PC40	Mar '22	Mar '30	X	<b>Pending*</b>
MV Agusta					
F3 800 RR	<b>TBC</b>	Apr '22	Apr '30	X	X
F3 Superveloce	<b>TBC</b>	Apr '22	Apr '30	X	X
Suzuki					
GSX-R600	M2	Apr '22	Apr '30	X	
GSX-R750	M2	Apr '22	Apr '30	X	<b>X</b>
Triumph					
Daytona 675R	<b>TBC</b>	Mar '22	Mar '30	X	X
Street Triple 765 RS	HJ7	Apr '22	Apr '30	X	X
<b>Street Triple 765 Moto2 Edition</b>	<b>HK8</b>	<b>Feb '23</b>	<b>Feb '31</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Yamaha					
YZF-R6	BN6	Jan '17	Jan '25	X	X
Homologation Period		8	years		

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Nationals

- Classes
  - 300 Supersport – Next 3 Years
  - No changes but look at monitoring and random testing on bhp etc
  - Class last years shows parity need to ensure we follow and control
  - Inclusion of the Women's National Cup

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Nationals

- Classes
  - Pro-Twins – Next 3 Years
  - Currently evolving with the inclusion this year of Post 2020 Class
  - Post 2020 class will evolve to be Supertwins
  - Currently consulting with riders on how this looks but will follow generally other countries.
  - Both Classes will co exist as per last year.
  - Announcement on Rule due
  - Class Sponsor BRM Dyno and Motomovers

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Nationals

- Classes
  - 150 Super Sport – Next 3 Years
  - Inclusion to the grid of the GIXXER 150 Class run as a separate Championship Class.
  - Two Titles – 150 Supersport and Gixxer 150
  - Create more momentum around Juniors
  - 30 Bikes available from Suzuki at \$3k for the bike it doesn't have to be branded
  - In excess of 12 bikes turned out at Taupo to inflate the grid, lets take advantage..
  - Both Classes will co exist on the grid.

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Nationals

- Classes
  - Sidecars – Next 3 Years
  - F1 in its current status
  - F2 – Currently the Association are working on the new F2 rules given the impact of 600 availability. Gen2 engines and possibility of long worms inclusion

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## The Venues

- Round 1 and 2 – Suzuki Series – Cemetery Circuit
- Round 3 – Ruapuna – MCI
- Round 4 – Levels – South Canterbury
- Round 5 - ???
- Round 6 – Motofest
- Round 7 - Taupo

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## Agreements- Commercials, Titles

- Expressions of Interest
- Memorandum of Understanding – Needs to be more commercially considerate
- The current ones need to be tightened up to recognise commercial exposure.
- MNZ should have some considerations around financial support and exposure.
- GP' and TT Titles to be rotated around clubs and tracks.

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## Co-ordination

- SJ Cavell – New Appointed National Series Co-ordinator
- Involved in all aspects of the Planning, Execution and Review of the Series.
- Involved in the “At Track” Delivery and Management of the Event as per MOM’s.
- Developing the next years series now.
- Working currently with other stakeholders on generation of sponsorship, promotion , commercial documentation.



# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## Clubs

- Great Clubs
- Visited most over the last couple of years
- Some Great events and some super people committed to support this great portion of motorcycling.
- What do we as a commission do to help, grow , support and assist these great foundations of our sport?.

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## Clubs – Growth Juniors

- Work closer at grass roots
  - Attend more club meetings and understand pinch points
  - Attend Club Committee meetings to again understand
- Assist with medium term class plans that both flow vertically and horizontally into the sport
  - Formula's
  - Carl Cox Cup
  - 250 Production.
  - Pre 95- F2
  - Buckets

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## Clubs - Enagagement

- MNZ to offer more support Work closer at grass roots
  - Title Support
  - Championship naming
  - Inclusion/Entry into sport assistance
  - Infra -stucture Support
    - Marshalls
    - Officials
    - Riders

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## Clubs

- Development
  - All play a part
  - Cohesed approach, doesn't have to be class related
  - All our riders come through the club system.
  - We need to embrace the clubs relationship more
    - Infrastructure
    - Administration
    - Knowledge of the running mtgs
    - Ear to the ground through our members/license holders

# NEXT TWO YEARS 2023/2025

## Major Considerations

- Commercial Reality
- Sponsorship to our sport not just Nationals.
- Entertainment
  - Not Boring Racing
- Cost Management
  - Reduce Costs – wherever possible affordability.
- Engagement/Consultation/Communication

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# Q&A