

Hi TO YOU ALL

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Its been a while since we've had a regular newsletter so I decided taken it on, now we'll all know what's happening in the road racing side of the club. As a lot of you may know, the road race side of SMCC is really in the brown stuff financially, lack of members, volunteers and officials, so after a special meeting called on the 7th of sept we have some new direction.

Active racing members have come forward to fill the gaps by doing the needy facets of running a meeting as well as them racing on the day, some of us are also getting our stewards Qualifications to help the gap left by senior members stepping down or being unavailable.

We need each and every one of you to help ask your mates to come along and volunteer or race, its more fun than having the law chase them down the road and cheaper than a ticket!!! plus SAFER. Flag marshals get the best view in the house! no experience reqd as our experienced members will teach ALL newcomers.

I was astonished to find out that the Bert Monroe made big LOSSES THE last 2 yrs, it seems everyone in southland gained except the club! so it's out there for review if it continues to make a loss guess what could happen.

The John Britten memorial race weekend went the same way, after poor attendances and losses it was canned, it was hosted by the Christchurch club and they are much bigger and far more financial, so the writings on the wall.

Our new treasurer has systems in place to track our every dollar so I will PERSONALLY make it my priority, to submit a full financial report of this meeting before Xmas TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS, so we all know where the money went.

On Tuesday Spet 7<sup>th</sup> 2010 at the club rooms we passed a motion by way of a vote, TO INCREASE THE CLUB RACE FEES TO \$70 AND A LATE FEE OF \$30 if you enter on the day, with all meetings requiring pre entry.

The New pre entry format will be available on the website and will have a **cut off date**, this way if not enough entries are received, we can cancel the meeting and have time to notify the car club, which will then negate the need to pay them for a track hire .

This way we will not run a meeting at a loss all we need to do is BREAK EVEN!, to hold a meeting at present the price is approx \$2400 inc gst so 35 riders at \$70ea is 2450 I'm sure you can see we need riders!. As of Sept 15<sup>th</sup> our race calendar for 2010 is

25 Sept SI cup

None in Oct

24-28 Burt Monroe

12<sup>th</sup> Dec Paul Nixon memorial

As I write this the snow is all around in Te Anau just when we thought spring was near with lambs dropping were reminded of how finicky the climate can be. Hopefully it passes and leads us clear to a warming period for the rest of the year so Berts meeting will be a huge success, like he was. This weather is a good time to do some race prep, so I'm of to fit a tyre, and machine a new sprocket for the 748 see ya at the Racing

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