



Annual General Meeting 14th May 2025 - MINUTES

Welcome

The Chair formally welcomed attendees and members introduced themselves

Attendees

Simon Hemmings - Chair-Perth, Tim Rogers -Dep Chair - Sunshine Coast, Carolyn Lilley - Treasurer, Malcolm Chandler - Secretary-Brisbane West, Ryan Foster - Brisbane Central, Wayne Sticher - Gold Coast, Tim Mcgrath - Perth, Deb Wall - Rockingham, John Kelman - Sydney North, Angela Hird - Kerang, Lorraine Nielsen - Yeppoon, Lisa Kelly - Mandurah, Britt Owens - Nova Care Hunter, Josephine Poirrier, Sue Kite, Tom Twelftree - Adelaide, Peter Guppy - Parkes

Apologies

Warren Edwards - Parkes, Karen Quattrone - Western Sydney, Adrian Boss - Bike East, Cheryl Pope - Orange

Acknowledgement of Country

I am hosting today's webinar from the traditional lands of the Whadjuk Noongar people. I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of all Lands across our continent – I pay my respects to their ancient and continuing cultures, their connections to Land, Water and Community, and to Elders past, present and emerging.

Confirmations

- Declaration of Proxies - No proxies received
- Quorum present - Yes

Adoption of Meeting Minutes 2024

Moved Wayne Sticher

Seconded Karen O'Conner

Resolved

Business arising from minutes

1. CWA Australia webpage - on going challenge with limited capacity on the Management Committee. Chapters encouraged to supply information for inclusion on the site. Address to admin@cyclingswithoutage.org.au Currently Karen O'Connor manages our website.

2. CWA Australia Summit - not progressed due to workload. Has been placed on the agenda for 2026

3. Trio Taxi gearing - Hubs - Derailleurs

Major operational issue. Discussions are continuing with Cargo Cycles and Trio Taxi. Cargo Cycles are holding stocks for swap outs of failed hubs. Situation will be monitored with the Extreme Hubs arriving in the new stock. Some Chapters have undertaken conversion from hubs to derailleurs. Possibly bad batch or heat related factors causing failures. Failures are occurring at early stages of use.

Report any failures to Tony at Cargo Cycles.

Replacement hubs are around \$1100 - hubs are replaced within the wheel.

Annual servicing needs to be completed by an authorised repairer matching the manufacturer's recommendations. Some bicycle shops may not have qualified repairers. This knowledge of service and suppliers needs to be stored and shared through the Maintainers Sub Committee.

Annual Report 2024

An overview provided on what has been achieved on a national level. Chapter input was provided on a State basis. Annual Report(s) are posted on the website. A PDF version will be provided once the financial reports are inserted.

Chairperson's Annual Report

A challenging year to achieve as much as we wanted. Considerable growth has occurred with 6 new chapters commencing. An international summit was held at Copenhagen at which two Australian members of the management committee attended. Chapters operate differently in countries. Australia is well regarded for the quality of our services and the Associations functions.

Recent conversations with CWA International re Affiliation. Agreement reached with CWA International that Affiliation will be between Australia and CWA International and that member Chapters will automatically be affiliated. A national agreement will be prepared. Individuals can still affiliate directly with CWA International. There will no longer be a requirement to maintain an Affiliated member on the Chapter committee.

CWA International is developing a booking, ride and volunteer management system for Chapters. Australia is involved in the development of the specification through John Kelman and Stephen Mercer are our technical representatives.

Treasurer's Annual Report

Financial Statements 2024

Draft version of the Special Purpose Financial report. ACNC is considering which charities require an audit report. We are currently a tier 2 size. Financial reports will be posted into the webpage when available.

These amounts include CWAA and the Chapters

6 new chapters added and 11 Trishaws. Net profit \$274k with cash at bank \$456k

Income

Grants \$214000. Federal grants reduced to \$214k Sponsorship \$26k

Expenditure

Insurance premium jumped from \$52 to \$72k Volunteer expense \$34k

Certificate of Currency and the Guidance Note will be sent out when the premium is paid. Coverage remains even though the date has expired.

Q. When will amounts be presented on CWAA operation be presented to Association members. A. These will be provided at Open Meetings CWAA financial reports are presented monthly to the Management Committee.

Focus this year 2025-26 will be to develop a funding stream.

Q. This is the third year where no audited reports have been available.

A. Volunteers have had work pressures which have prevented timely provision to the auditors.

Q. Will the change of ACNC tier still require an audit report? A. Still awaiting confirmation on this

There needs to be separation of CWAA and the Chapter operation as the combined figures can be misleading by giving the impression that we have considerable finances.

Election of Management Committee Members - Acting Chair Ryan Foster

Declared all positions vacant.

OFFICE HOLDERS - These positions form part of the total Committee Members allowed

- Chairperson - Nomination of Simon Hemmings
- Vice Chairperson - Nomination of Tim Rogers
- Treasurer - Nomination of Steve Shepherd
- Secretary - Nomination of Malcolm Chandler

As only one nomination has been received for each position they are declared as elected to that position - Ryan Foster

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

MOTION

'That the number of Ordinary Committee Members be increased to 14'

Moved: Simon Hemmings Seconded: Karen O'Connor Resolved

Nominees

David Cochran, Dick van den Dool, John Kelman, Sue Kite, Carolyn Lilley, Tim McGrath, Karen O'Connor, Paul Mitchell, Wayne Sticher, Deb Wall

As the number of nominations received is fewer than the number allowed for Ordinary Committee Members, all nominees are declared as elected

Moved - Simon Hemmings Seconded - John Kelman

Confirm the annual subscriptions

'That the annual Chapter membership subscription for 2025 be \$100 plus GST per annum'

Moved: Simon Hemmings Seconded: Carolyn Lilley Resolved

Appointment of Auditor of the CWAA Accounts

'That we appoint the auditors as recommended by the accountants'

The extent of the audit will be dependent upon the tier assignment by ACNC

Other Business

- Affiliation - discussed earlier.
- Submitted and other questions

Peter Guppy - frustrated in finding a sponsor for a Trishaw. The city has a population of 120,000. Perhaps the new Aged Care minister could be approached? Concern that people will not leave their own homes to journey outside.

Aged Care model is shifting to the provision of care for people at home.

Community Carers are encouraged to provide group meetings. Very low response to advertising.

Some US CWA services do a personal pick up service. It can take years to build up consistency in passengers. Locate a care group who can bring people to the start point.

Sophie - How is the Ricky Rickshaw by Tribe bike? Perth has been trialling one and v2 has now been delivered. It is proving to be popular. They are \$9k dollars delivered to Perth. They will be purchasing more. Q Is it preferred by passengers or pilots. *Ryan asked re why it is preferred?* Loading/unloading is easier. The cushioning is softer. The bike is powerful and has a tighter turning circle. The turnaround time for delivery is 4 weeks.

Karen - Acknowledgement to Simon and Tim Rogers for their chairmanship and appreciation to Carolyn and Malcolm for their considerable contributions to the effective running of the association.

Meeting Close

Chair thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 7:32pm