

## **2011 UCI BMX CONVENTION**

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### **BMX Australia Report**

In this report I hope to cover some of the main points that have been foremost in the sport over the past twelve months and touch on some of the initiatives we are working on for the future. Firstly I would like to thank my fellow board members for the time they have given over the past months also our valuable staff who have worked so hard, sometimes under difficult conditions.

Our National Titles were held in Cairns, Queensland in April. Following the devastating events that had surrounded Queensland earlier in the year the event was a great success financially and event wise and I must not forget to mention the legacy that we left Cairns BMX club being left with a much better facility. Having the Nationals broadcast on National Television is another initiative the board set for its self some two years ago which I feel it is giving our sport fantastic exposure, with the aim to go live in the next few years.

Our 2011 National Sign on Day proved to be another success with the National Television Advertising not only getting bums on seats but has had a two prong affect in that it was a great tool to raise the profile of the sport in the general public's mind. We found this year radio was also an important part of our advertising campaign.

One of BMX Australia's focuses over the last few years has been in the development if improved BMX Facilities all around Australia. This has resulted in more and more states developing their local tracks to include a minimum of a 5 metre Start Hill. This has also been the main driver for the development of Australia's first Supercross facility at the Chandler Complex in Queensland. The track was officially opened in June to a fantastic crowd. This now opens the doors to the opportunity to bring more International events to Australia, providing more opportunity for our riders.

Another initiative that is currently being implemented to develop clubs and facilities is the development of an Eco Management Plan. BMX Australia aims to introduce this plan to all of our events promoting clean and green facilities. With the profile of BMX ever increasing we want to showcase our clubs and provide them with an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to provide a fun and friendly environment, as well as clean and green surroundings to ride BMX in.

Our High Performance Team is currently sitting number one in both the male and female tables, and we must recognize the great work that our National Coach Wade Bootes is doing with these riders. He is now developing a good support network of coaches and personnel to support his goals and to take him and team into the Olympics.

Following last year's conference BMX Australia has taken the next steps to advancing the sport of BMX into the Commonwealth Games. A professional Bid Document has been submitted to the Commonwealth Games Federation in London for consideration. The feedback thus far received is the bid document was well received, and at this stage we are still hoping for a positive outcome. I would like to see all Commonwealth countries to work with us on this as Australia shouldn't be alone on this.

In closing the future looks very positive.

Yours in the sport of BMX

Barry Knight President, BMX Australia



### Japan BMX highlights 2011

#### **JBMXF President**

The President of the Japan BMX Federation (JBMXF) has changed; the new president is Hiroya Yamada. Mr Yamada is supported by Vice presidents Hirotsugu Watanabe, Tadahiko Shimada and Martin Ward.

### **BMX / Keirin**

The Cyclepia Kishiwada BMX course was officially opened in April 2011. The BMX course has been built next to a Keirin track and it is expected the 2 disciplines can mutually benefit from this arrangement. It is likely that more of these partnerships between BMX and Keirin will be made.



### The 6<sup>th</sup> Asian BMX Championships

For the first time ever the Japanese Elite men riders took the top 3 spots on the podium. The Junior riders took  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  and  $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$  place.





### **STRIDER CUP**

A partnership has been forged with STRIDER and a new class has been introduced to Japanese BMX racing. The new class is called the Strider Cup. The Strider cup is for riders from 2 to 6 years of age, it is very popular.

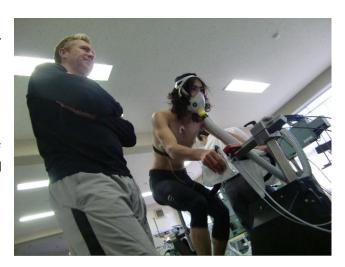




Shuzenji track

The Japanese Olympic Committee (JOC), the Japan Keirin Auto-race (JKA) and the Japan Cycling Federation (JCF) collaborated to build the Cycling Sports Center in April 2002. The Continental Cycling Centre in Shuzenji (CCC Shuzenji) is one of the 8 sub-centres belonging to the World Cycling Center established by the Union Cycliste International (UCI) based in Eigle, Switzerland.

A training camp was held at Shuzenji Continental Cycling Centre in December 2010 as part of the program to prepare Elite riders for the Olympic qualifiers. The riders also went through a series of tests deigned to provide information on their physical technical ability. Pierre Henri from France spent time with all of the riders to analyze their strengths and weaknesses.



### **Charity clinic**

In April 2011 Joey Bradford from California USA held a charity training clinic for BMX riders at the newly made Chichibu track in Takizawa Cyde Park. All the proceeds from the event were donated to the relief efforts for the survivors of the Tsunami in Fukushima. The Chichibu riders were very pleased to be able to spend time with Joey Bradford, the Mayor of Chichibu attended and the media was very interested in the event.







### Immediate concerns

- Japan does not yet have an established Commissaire System
- Asian BMX courses are not very technologically advanced
- There are no Supercross tracks in Asia



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### Report for the UCI BMX Convention- Copenhagen, 24 July 2010

The year since the 2010 UCI BMX World Championships has been another positive year for New Zealand BMX. Significantly, rider participation numbers continue to grow steadily to just under 2,000. A lot of this growth can be attributed to the highest level of media interest BMX racing has ever had. We have had three new BMX clubs established in the past year, and, a large number of BMX tracks have been upgraded to a high standard.

The New Zealand public is very aware of elite BMX racing, largely through the profile the sport established in 2008 at the time of the Olympic Games. High level success of New Zealand elite athletes is also well known within the general New Zealand public. Growth in the sport can also be attributed to people returning to the sport, or joining BMX from other cycle sports (especially mountain biking) so they can compete in the Auckland UCI BMX World Championships in 2013. All too often these new people are adults and their children are starting to race as well as their parents.

Preparation for the Auckland world championships in two years is under way and we look forward to telling BMX people about what we're doing at this year's event in Copenhagen. The 2013 event will be held in central Auckland, close to accommodation and transport links. What will be special about the Auckland world championships will be the indoor venue - the Vector Arena stadium, which promises to deliver a stadium type event with a great atmosphere.

One of the major successes in the last year has been developing coaching and training programmes for early to mid teens. We have well developed entry level training programmes, and the elite sport is catered for by the BikeNZ High Performance Programme. Some years ago BMX New Zealand introduced a junior development programme. That programme has been re-launched, with significant changes in focus, and encouraging the development of coaches with skills to train young people.

One important strategic focus for New Zealand BMX is the necessity of building an enduring business relationship with BikeNZ, the national cycling federation. BikeNZ is developing well, as one of New Zealand's leading national sports organisations. On the one hand, BikeNZ has a world standard high performance programme, but the real challenge has been to build an organization of similar capability to properly cater for the needs of disparate cycling codes. BMX New Zealand continues to work closely with BikeNZ to build a business relationship that means our sport will be well looked after in years to come.



It's really significant that BikeNZ is playing a pivotal and leading role in delivery of the 2013 BMX World Championships.

New Zealand BMX events continue to be well hosted and attended - at least at a major championship level. This year New Zealand hosted the UCI Oceania Region Continental Championships, in the town of Pukekohe just south of Auckland. USA Cycling sent a team of four elite riders, to compete in the event. These athletes, together with a strong team from Australia made for one of the strongest elite fields we have had in this country.

On a sadder note, the city of Christchurch in southern New Zealand had been badly affected by two large earthquakes, in September last year and February this year. The 2011 earthquake was the more serious, with much damage and lives lost. One of the four BMX tracks in the area was completely destroyed last September. A second may have been damaged beyond repair in the February 2011 earthquake. Unfortunately the 2012 BMX national championships were to be held there, but have had to be shifted elsewhere.

The New Zealand BMX community contributed a considerable sum of money to the Christchurch sport, at a fund raising auction at the Oceania Continental Championships. We hope that this along with other efforts will enable the two affected BMX clubs to re-build their tracks as soon as possible.

The generosity of overseas athletes and their support staff to the fundraising effort was extraordinary - they contributed clothing, helmets and bike frames, which contributed greatly to the funds raised to assist BMX re-build in Christchurch.

On the officiating side of the sport, we were delighted that two New Zealand commissaires (Norm McCann and Tony Tumai)gained UCI accreditation. This takes the number of New Zealand UCI BMX commissaries to four, and greatly expands the pool of experience within the sport.

Finally, New Zealand BMX wishes good luck to all competitors in the world championships this year. We know our Danish hosts will be providing us with a wonderful event; congratulations to you, and thanks for all the effort.

Cheers,

Michael Batterton Chairman New Zealand B M X Association Inc.



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# INFORME DE TRABAJO DE LA COMISIÓN PANAMERICANA DE BMX

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Alta Gracia, Córdoba Argentina, 03 de Junio de 2011

Asunto: Informe de la Comisión Panamericana de BMX período 2010 /2011

### Generalidades:

Debido a problemas de índole económico que afectaron a la mayoría de las instituciones del continente y en otras que también se sumaron problemas en este período nos vimos imposibilitados de lograr definir un calendario de competencias clase 3, 4, 5 y 6 en el continente de manera concreta y definitiva, por lo que su desarrollo significó un gran esfuerzo de parte de las instituciones que tenían fechas asignadas y también de esta Comisión Continental. También estos problemas influyeron de manera decisiva en la definición del Calendario para el ciclo 2011/2012 el que recién pudo ser acordado definitivamente en el pasado mes de febrero en la reunión que realizamos en Córdoba-Argentina, ya que según manifestaban los organizadores no podían confirmar la posibilidad de realizar los eventos. Esta demora en la definición y cierre del calendario afectó directamente en los plazos dispuestos por UCI obligando a su comité de aprobación de los calendarios a diferir su trabajo de manera de dar tiempo a que enviemos la información del continente. Hoy a pesar de los esfuerzos y recomendaciones dadas a las distintas Federaciones Nacionales, por problemas climáticos nos vimos obligados a modificar nuevamente la fecha asignada a Colombia

También en el Congreso anual de COPACI, realizado en Medellín – Colombia en Mayo último, se hizo una insistente recomendación para que los responsables de las federaciones asignadas enviaran los formularios correspondientes con las fechas acordadas. Señalando que este procedimiento y documentación lo exige UCI y ella misma ha instruido a las federaciones nacionales para que completen estos formularios y los envíen. También se realizo un fuerte llamado de atención a las federaciones nacionales y a sus dirigentes para que den a los temas de BMX la importancia que requieren y presten el necesario apoyo a sus comisiones y dirigentes. Además se señaló que de continuar los problemas que se están presentando de orden institucional e incumplimientos deberán comprender que para el futuro no nos quedará otro camino que trabajar solo con las federaciones que cumplan con todos los requisitos y se ajusten a las normas establecidas para asegurar la continuidad del Ranking Sudamericano de UCI/BMX y el desarrollo de la especialidad en el continente.-

Un párrafo especial es el referido a la aparición de nuevos dirigentes en varias federaciones nacionales del continente , pero lamentablemente vemos que el nivel de interés y preparación sobre temas de BMX que estos tienen es muy pobre y no colabora al objetivo de fortalecer las instituciones y el desarrollo del BMX solicitando entonces a todos los responsables de las instituciones nacionales que procuren apoyar a sus dirigentes en la formación de los mismos como así también facilitarles



los caminos para la obtención de la documentación e información necesaria, poniendo a la COPABI a disposición de todos para colaborar con esa tarea.-.

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### **Reuniones y Congresos**

Se llevó a cabo el Congreso de la Comisión en Quito - Ecuador donde se acordaron y asignaron las fechas y sedes según disposiciones vigentes de la UCI para el calendario 2011/2012. Lamentablemente, como hemos dicho, este calendario a pesar de haber sido enviado inmediatamente a la Comisión UCI no se pudo aplicar ya que mas tarde las federaciones manifestaron su imposibilidad de realizar las competencias en las fechas acordadas y recién en la reunión que realizamos en febrero último en Córdoba — Argentina se definió un nuevo calendario que adjuntamos al presente informe.

También se asistió a la Convención UCl/BMX realizada en Pietermaritzburg – Sudáfrica donde además mantuvimos contacto con las autoridades de la Comisión UCl/BMX referidas a la marcha y desarrollo de la especialidad en el continente.

En mayo último realizamos el congreso anual de la COPABI en Bello- Colombia, en la misma ciudad donde se realizó el Campeonato Panamericano de BMX 2011.

En el mismo se propuso se analice la posibilidad de establecer una guía para la determinación de fechas para los futuros calendarios tratando de asegurar una distribución de las competencias en todas las regiones del Continente y teniendo en cuenta los ciclos de preparación de los pilotos de manera que puedan asistir sin inconveniente a todas las fechas que se fijen. También se acordó la apertura de un Block en una red social de Internet a fin de facilitar y aumentar la comunicación entre todas las instituciones, dirigentes y pilotos del continente.

En este Congreso se comunicó oficialmente el nombramiento del Sr. Juan Fernando Castrillón Benjumea como Secretario de la COPABI, entregándose a los presentes un cuadernillo con los antecedentes y curriculum vitae del señor Castrillón Benjumea.

El Señor Juan Fernando Castrillón es miembro de la Federación Nacional de Colombia y uno de los mas experimentados dirigentes que trabajaron para instalar, hace ya muchos años, la práctica del BMX en su país. Hoy se desempeña como Gerente del más importante canal de televisión de la Provincia de Antioquia.-

### **Aspectos Deportivos**

Se llevaron a cabo el Sudamericano y el Panamericano de BMX en Quito – Ecuador. Aquí debemos resaltar la actitud y esfuerzo de esa Federación Nacional logrando un evento del mas alto nivel y es de destacar que fue la primera vez en Latinoamérica que las competencias se transmitieron íntegramente por internet.



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Respecto al calendario del ciclo que culmina debemos destacar que a pesar de las dificultades mencionadas anteriormente finalmente se pudieron llevar a cabo todas las competencias del calendario SUA previstas. Y es de destacar aquí también el trabajo de la

Federación de Colombia a para la transmisión en directo a través de "Teleantioquia" y con señal internacional y además por señal de Internet a todo el mundo.

No podemos dejar de mencionar la participación del BMX en los Juegos del Caribe y en los ODESUR, y en los Centro Americanos donde el BMX tuvo una destacada participación sumando su presencia a las competencias comprendidas en el calendario Ciclo Olímpico

### **Consideraciones finales:**

A pesar de los muchos inconvenientes se ha podido llevar adelante, aunque en parte, lo planificado y propuesto para este ciclo. Debemos destacar el esfuerzo y trabajo de muchos colaboradores y dirigentes en muchos casos anónimos que contribuyeron a que todo siga en marcha.

Gerardo Diaz Presidente COPABI



## NATIONAL BMX ASSOCIATION OF ZIMBABWE PRESIDENTS REPORT – 2010

The National Series was held successfully over three weekends through the year and No 1 National plates were awarded to 12 Riders out of the 44 who completed the series. Rider loads at National level were consistent with 66 in Bulawayo, 54 in Gweru and 56 in Harare.

At Regional Level we continued to compete and use South Africa as our training grounds in the first half of the year in preparation for World Championships in July.

Our most notable success in 2010 was undoubtedly at the World Championships in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa where we entered a total of 38 Zimbabwe riders and returned with 11 Word Plates. Congratulations must go to Tyla-Shae Donaldson and Tayne Turnock who BOTH achieved World No 1 Plates. These two riders excelled further by both being awarded trophies at the Zimbabwe Government Sports Awards. Tyla — Shae Donaldson being awarded Junior Sportswoman of the Year. Taffy Machingaidze also being recognized for returning with two World Plates.

Despite not qualifying for the Youth Olympic Games, Zimbabwe was awarded a "Wild Card" for Cycling and we were able to send a team of 4 Cyclists to this prestigious event. Jonathan Thackray represented Zimbabwe in BMX. Although Zimbabwe did not feature in these Games it was a fantastic experience for the Team and privilege for Zimbabwe to attend. Sincere thanks MUST go to the UCI for their input with the Olympic Solidarity Movement and Zimbabwe being awarded a Wild Card.

After the success in South Africa, Harare BMX Club excelled and rebuilt their track to a standard never seen yet in Zimbabwe and this commendable action must be acknowledged. The Track was used for the first time to host the AFRICA CHALLENGE event which had 48 riders competing in. A purse of USD4000 was shared amongst the top 4 riders in the Elite category and Sofiso Nhlapo from South Africa getting No 1.

Congratulations must go to Busters BMX Club for hanging in there through 2010 and welcome to their new Committee.

I wish to advise and confirm that I am now standing down from the position of President of Zimbabwe BMX Association having been involved for some 15 years. I have recently been elected as President of Cycling Zimbabwe and am therefore not totally leaving BMX but managing it from a different perspective. Wishing BMX Worldwide a bright future.

Monty Thackray
President Zimbabwe National BMX Association
June 2011