



## **ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020**

**Presented at the Annual General Meeting**

**Monday 14 September 2020**

**10am**

**Via Zoom**



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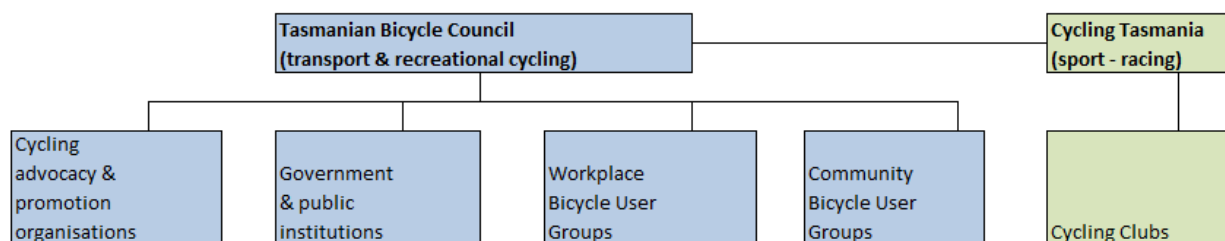
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## ANNUAL REPORT INTRODUCTION

The Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc was formed in 2007 to be the umbrella body for transport and recreational cycling in Tasmania. For the first time, all the various non-competitive cycling groups from around the state had a forum which enabled the sharing of ideas and knowledge, and the ability to address issues of state-wide significance for cycling. Membership is open to representatives from:

- Bicycle User Groups and social riding groups
- Cycling advocacy organisations
- Local government
- Public institutions with an interest in active transport, health and road safety



The organisations and their nominees represented on the Committee in 2019-2020 were:

### **Bicycle Network**

Ms Alison  
Hetherington / Di  
Eliffe

### **UTAS**

Mr Corey  
Peterson

### **DSG BUG**

Mr Graham  
Humphries

### **Tamar BUG**

Mr Malcolm Reid /  
Mr Malcolm Cowan

### **Safer Roads for Cycling**

Mr Keith Price

### **Launceston City Council**

Mr Nigel Coates

### **DPIPWE BUG**

Mr Damien Blackwell

### **Kingborough BUG**

Mr Rob Sheers

### **CyclingSouth Inc.**

Ms Mary McParland

### **Devonport City Council**

Mr Randall Stott

### **DHHS BUG**

Mr Mark Johnson

### **Hobart Bike Kitchen**

Mr Mark Parssey

### **Department of State Growth**

Mr Luke  
Middleton

### **CSIRO BUG**

Mr Jemery Day



## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The strategic objectives of the Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc. (TBC) include:

- Provide input into state government policy regarding cycling as a form of recreation and transport.
- Provide representation for cycling issues on the Road Safety Advisory Council.
- Work with Cycling Tasmania and competitive cycling groups on issues that are relevant to both parties.
- Coordinate statewide programs and activities including but not limited to:
  - Promotion and coordination of statewide events such as State Bike Week and National Ride to Work Day
  - Development of road safety and awareness campaigns around cycling (in conjunction with Road Safety Advisory Committee and other relevant bodies)
  - Facilitate opportunities for road designers and engineers to advance their professional development, such as organising bicycle facility design workshops or other forums.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTES & AGENDA

As required under the Rules of the Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc:

- The date and agenda of the Annual General Meeting was duly notified to members at least 14 days prior to the meeting date.
- Reports on the transactions of the Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc in the last preceding financial year are presented in this document for presentation to the Annual General Meeting.
- The following agenda shall apply for the Annual General Meeting on 23 September 2019

### AGENDA

1. Attendance and Apologies
2. Confirmation of minutes of preceding Annual General Meeting on 23 September 2019
3. Reports on the transactions of Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc during the last preceding financial year
  - 3.1. Chair report
  - 3.2. Treasurer report
4. Appointment of Management Committee Members in accordance with Rule 21 of the Rules of TBC Inc.
5. Election of Officers in accordance with Rule 21 of the Rules of TBC Inc.
  - 5.1. Chair (until AGM 2020)
  - 5.2. Deputy Chair (until AGM 2020)
  - 5.3. Secretary (until AGM 2020)
  - 5.4. Treasurer (until AGM 2020)
6. General Business
7. Close



## **MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday 23 September 2019  
4pm**

**Hobart - State Growth office, 4 Salamanca Place  
Launceston – Town Hall**

Meeting opened 4.10pm

### **1. Attendance and apologies**

#### **Attendees**

Hobart      Alison Hetherington – Bicycle Network Tasmania  
                 Mark Parssey – Hobart Bike Kitchen  
                 Luke Middleton – State Growth  
                 Mary McParland – Cycling South  
                 Damian Blackwell – DPIPWE  
                 Corey Peterson - UTAS

Launceston      Malcolm Reid - TBUG  
                 Nigel Coates – Launceston City Council

#### **Apologies**

Malcolm Cowan – TBUG  
Keith Price – Safer Roads for Cycling  
Jemery Day – CSIRO BUG  
Les Gardner - Kingborough

### **2. Confirmation of Minutes of preceding Annual General Meeting on 2 October 2018**

Malcolm Reid was an apology which was not noted on the minutes.

*Moved: Mark Parssey      Seconded: Luke Middleton      Carried*

### **3. Reports on the transactions of the Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc during the last preceding financial year.**

#### Chairs Report

The Chair's report was accepted.

*Moved: Malcolm Reid      Seconded: Mark Parssey      Carried*

#### Treasurers Report

As the TBC meets the exemption requirements for an audit since revenue is less than \$40,000 per annum the unaudited copy of the financial records were accepted.

*Moved: Malcolm Reid*

*Seconded: Mark Parssey*

*Carried*

#### 4. Appointment of Management Committee Members

Organisation	Representative	Proxy
Bicycle Network Tasmania	Alison Hetherington	Di Eliffe
CSIRO BUG	Jemery Day	
Cycling South	Mary McParland	
Cycling Tasmania		
DPIPWE BUG	Damien Blackwell	Ben Clark
DSG BUG	Graham Humphries	
Kingborough BUG	Rob Sheers	Richard Langman
Hobart Bike Kitchen	Mark Parssey	Lance House
City of Launceston	Nigel Coates	
NW Recreational Cyclists	Richard Muir Wilson	
Safer Roads for Cycling-Burnie	Keith Price	
Tamar BUG	Malcolm Reid	Malcolm Cowan
UTAS	Corey Peterson	

#### 5. Appointment of Office Bearers

##### Chair

Nomination received from Alison Hetherington.

Duly elected.

##### Deputy Chair

Nomination received from Mark Parssey

Duly elected

##### Secretary/Public Officer

Nomination from Mary McParland

Duly elected

##### Treasurer

No nomination received. Les Gardener will continue to be a signatory on the bank account until a replacement can be found.

*The office bearer positions be accepted.*

*MOVED: Mark Parssey    SECONDED: Corey Peterson*

*CARRIED*

#### 6. General Business

##### North

### TBUG

Ian Howard, ex-Meander Valley councillor who lives near Deloraine, is new president. Malcolm Reid was president for 4 years prior and may continue to be the TBC representative.

### Launceston City Council

LCC is preparing a Transport Vision and hope to have a strategy done over the next year.

UTAS relocation aims to be as active travel friendly as possible. The Launceston City Deal is partly about transport.

Tomorrow Together – engaging community. Access and mobility is included and considering a car-free day as part of it.

A pedestrian and bike count will be done tomorrow (24 September)

### Bike Week – 1-8 March 2020

TBUG will be offering the same program as 2019. They have a grant application in with City of Launceston and sponsorship from St Lukes Health.

## **South**

### Tasman Bridge Safety improvements

Cassy O'Connor questioned the Minister in response to the Coroner's report. Around \$14M is allocated in budget to improve walking and cycling access. Challenges include dealing with services. It's a big project that will take some time to deliver.

### Parking Day

BN will create a parklet area on Elizabeth St mid-town on Friday 27 September.

## **Statewide**

### UTAS Travel results forum

2019 data travel behaviour survey. Bike riding has plateaued except gone up in Hobart CBD and students at Inveresk. Anna Lyth is doing Active Transport Study.

### Tasmanian Walking and Cycling for Active Transport Strategy

Under review. It won't be significantly different – more of a refresh. More work needs to be done on the Positive Provisioning Policy. Shane Gregory (State Roads Division at State Growth) is interested in defining networks for all forms of transport.

### State Growth cycling infrastructure funding

The program is in progress and despite the long delay, is nearly ready to be handed over to the delivery side.

### National Cycling Participation Survey

Cycling numbers are down 5%

### Bike Futures Workshops

Alison wrote to Departmental Secretary, Kim Evans, for additional funding for future workshops.

### Ride to Work Day – 16 October – Breakfasts are being held at:

- Hobart waterfront (BNT) which includes a commuter challenge from South Hobart.
- UTAS Sandy Bay and Launceston campuses
- Rosny Park (Clarence City Council)
- Launceston Quadrant Mall (TBUG, UTAS & Launceston City Council). Voucher for muffin and coffee will be given away.

### Ride to School Program



Bicycle Network has a 4 year contract under the Road Safety Levy which started late last year.

E-bike Expos

BNT will be running expos at Royal Park Launceston on 27 October and Hobart Regatta Grounds in November. There has been a good response from bike shops.

**7. Meeting closed 4.50pm**



## CHAIR'S REPORT

### **Road Safety Advisory Council (RSAC)**

The rate of serious casualties has plateaued after the past few years, halting the downward trend. This situation has caused RSAC to re-examine all that it does to ensure it's got the best strategic and practical approaches to reduce the road toll. As such, it has spent most of the past year planning for the next five years, reviewing its operations, undertaking a capacity review and determining funding priorities.

It's been relatively good news on recorded serious casualties for bike riders for 2019–20 with no deaths recorded but unfortunately 7 serious injuries requiring 24 hours+ hospitalisation (data for the last quarter of the year is yet to be lodged so this could increase). This is up from 5 serious injuries in 2018–19. These included crashes at the following locations:

- Intersection of Benjafeld Terrace and Gordon Avenue, Mount Stuart, Hobart
- Intersection of Channel Highway and Tarroona Crescent, Tarroona, Kingborough
- Tinderbox Road, Tinderbox, Kingborough
- Channel Highway, Kettering, Kingborough
- Intersection of Cimitiere Street and Friend Street, George Town, George Town
- Bass Highway, Wivenhoe, Burnie
- Intersection of Cecilia Street and Quail Street, St Helens, Break O'Day

The Vulnerable Road Users program funds local councils to build infrastructure to better protect people walking, riding and catching public transport along Safe Systems design principles. It has had its funding doubled to \$1 million giving more scope for projects other than pedestrian refuges and painted bike lanes to be supported. The RSAC staff are reviewing the program to ensure past recommendations are considered in the new funding approach, including more best-practice demonstration projects and trials of infrastructure treatments. This could include concepts used elsewhere in Australia such as protected intersections, protected roundabouts, shared path wombat crossings over side roads to give priority to the path.

As the bulk of serious casualties occur in road crashes involving vehicles caused by speed, fatigue, alcohol and drugs, distraction and lack of seat belts there hasn't been a great deal of attention given to cycling specific considerations other than what I can raise during discussions.

I attended two of the three RSAC meetings scheduled in 2019–20 on behalf of the Tasmanian Bicycle Council – the fourth scheduled meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### **COVID-19 responses**

Seeing what other countries were doing to improve their streets in response to COVID-19 restrictions, I wrote to the Minister for Infrastructure, Tasmanian Transport Commissioner, Chair of the Road Safety Advisory Council, and greater Hobart mayors urging them to implement pop-up cycleways and 30 km/h speed limits to enable people to socially distance. Hobart mayors called on the state government for funding for pop-up infrastructure and Hobart Council proposed a 30 km

speed limit in a small number of city centre streets but the proposal was amended during the meeting to 40 km/h limits.

I also sent a letter to the Premiers Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Committee outlining the need to make it easier to ride for transport during COVID-19 restrictions but also in the post-COVID recovery phase, they have since classified this as a submission on the website under Bicycle Network: [https://www.pesrac.tas.gov.au/reports/consultation\\_and\\_submissions](https://www.pesrac.tas.gov.au/reports/consultation_and_submissions)

## Bike Futures

We held the last Bike Futures seminars under the four-year funding agreement with the Department of State Growth in August 2019. Four-hour seminars in Launceston and Hobart were held for professional staff and a one-hour public meeting in Hobart. Speakers were landscape architect Daniel Bennett who produced the City of Adelaide's street design manual and oversaw the design of the most recent Frome Street separated cycleway, and engineer Jarrod Malone who was part of the team delivering Geelong's separated cycleway network.

I wrote to the Secretary of the Department of State Growth in August asking for future funding for professional development forums on bicycle-friendly approaches but received no reply. I followed it up at the beginning of December but once again received no response.

## Bike Week

The Tasmanian Bicycle Council coordinated the Facebook calendar for Bike Week in 1–8 March 2020 and listed events on its website. Bicycle Network, Hobart Wheelers, Shredding Betties and the Tamar Bicycle Users Group held dedicated Bike Week events and activities in Burnie, Kelleve, Launceston and Hobart and other groups agreed to their events being included in the Bike Week calendar, even though they hadn't been organised for Bike Week.

Bike Week will be held in the week beginning Sunday 7 March in 2021. The extent of activities will depend on the status of COVID-19 restrictions.

These are the events from the 2020 Bike Week calendar.

### Sunday 1 March

- [Women on Wheels 20th anniversary ride](#) – Bicycle Network, Macquarie Point, 10 am start. Tickets \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members.
- [Mount Wellington Challenge](#) – [Hobart Wheelers Club](#), 7 am start from Longley, finish at The Springs or the summit. Time-trail, road closed and this year for the first time e-bikes are included! Tickets \$30 for Cycling Australia members and \$42 for others.
- [Hobart Bike Kitchen](#) – 130 Davey Street Hobart, 1-4 pm. Come along to learn how to build and look after your bike. Free.
- [Great Community Social Ride & BBQ](#) – Tamar BUG, Heritage Forest, 10.30 am, Churchill Park car park.

### Monday 2 March

- [Launceston pop-up shop](#) – TBUG, 68 John Street, for all things bike riding, until 7 March.
- Flatland BMX workshop and Psychle novelty bikes – [TBUG](#), 5 pm, Civic Square, Launceston, with Matt Wootton.

### Tuesday 3 March

- [Bicycle Network Super Tuesday](#) – volunteers count the number of bicycles passing through 55 intersections across greater Hobart between 7 and 9 am. \$60 payment to group of choice or to reduce cost of Bicycle Network membership. Counts are also happening in Launceston and Devonport on the same day, contact the council directly to get involved.
- [Kangaroo Bay to Tranmere return social ride](#) – Bicycle Network free social ride, 9.45 am, Kangaroo Bay Playground car park. Along the Foreshore Trail.
- [Essential bike maintenance workshop](#) – TBUG, 68 John Street, 6.30 pm, register at [contactus@tbug.org.au](mailto:contactus@tbug.org.au) or 0416 310 722. Free. Refreshments provided.

### Wednesday 4 March

- [E-bike Coffee Cruise](#) – Bicycle Network free social ride, 10 am – 12.30 pm, Brooke Street Pier to the Picnic Basket in Tarooma and return, this is a fair weather ride so please RSVP.
- [The Great TBUG and ABC Northern Tasmania car vs bike challenge](#) – what's the quickest way to get around Launceston? You might be surprised!
- [Children's Story Time and Fun Ride](#) – TBUG, 10.15 am, Civic Square Library, Launceston.
- [All for One, film night](#) – TBUG, 6 pm, Star Theatre, Invermay.

### Thursday 5 March

- [Essential bike maintenance workshop 2](#) – TBUG, Cycle 2, 46 Brisbane St, Launceston. Register at [contactus@tbug.org.au](mailto:contactus@tbug.org.au) or call 6331 2400. Free.
- Bike Use Propensity Index professional workshop – Cycling South, online forum with Institute of Sensible Transport presenting to professional staff.

### Friday 6 March

- [SWAG Family: Australia by Bike](#) – In 2019 the Hughes family rode 14 000 km around Australia, come and hear their stories of generosity, fun, perseverance and grit that will challenge your view of the classic Australian road trip. Stanley Burbury Theatre, University of Tasmania, Sandy Bay. 7pm, \$15 adults, \$5 under 16s.

- [Ride 2 Night](#) – TBUG's festive lighting up of bikes for a ride around city streets and trails, 7.30 pm, QVMAG car park.
- [Sandy Bay Commute](#) – Bicycle Network free social ride, 7.15am for 7.30 start, Trugannini car park, Channel Hwy, Tarroona, into the city via Battery Point. A good one for people thinking of commuting but not sure of routes or other tips.
- [Tamar Valley History Ride](#) – TBUG, 9.30 am from Rose Bay Park, Gravelly Beach.
- [Reclink Bike Riding with Confidence program](#) – 10.30 am, Heritage Forest, contact Rebekah at Reclink on 0431 171232.

### Saturday 7 March

- [Audax Tasmania Penguin Parade 300](#) – 6 am, Hadsden Holiday park, 300 km in 20 hour limit. \$10 for members, \$25 for non-members.
- [Splash to the Bluff family ride](#) – Bicycle Network free social ride, Splash Aquatic Centre Devonport, easy 7-9 km return ride to Devonport Bluff and Neptune's Statue. 11 am.
- [Richmond-Campania Country Roll](#) – Bicycle Network free social ride, 9.45 am, Richmond Town Hall car park. Riding to Campania for a picnic lunch taking quiet country roads, mostly sealed, some unsealed sections.
- [Le Tour de Flinders 2020](#) – [Lions Club](#) and [Mountain Biking Flinders Island](#), 9 am Saturday and 9 am Sunday, 80 km road ride, family ride and downhill MTB ride.
- [Bike Week Ride at Kelleve](#) – [Shredding Betties](#), Kelleve Mountain Bike Park, 9.30 am – 12.30 pm, bring your own lunch. Riders will need some experience riding off road on single track, we are designing this ride for Beginner Betties – Having a Go Harriets (beginner-intermediate riders).

### Sunday 8 March

- [Kelleve MTB Park 6 Hour](#) – Storm Bay Promotions, Kelleve Mountain Bike Park, 10 am – 4 pm. Entry for teams or solo riders. Ticketed.
- [Kingborough Treasure Hunt](#) – Bicycle Network, Peter Murrell Reserve, Huntingfield. Register on day at 2 pm for 2.30 pm start. Free.
- [Hobart Bike Kitchen](#) – 130 Davey Street Hobart, 1-4 pm. Come along to learn how to build and look after your bike. Free.
- [Geilston Bay – Tranmere Foreshore Trail](#) – Bicycle Network free social ride, 11 am – 2.30 pm, 43 km, BYO lunch to eat at Bellerive Bluff Fort and then coffee afterwards in Lindisfarne. Start and finish at Geilston Bay Boat Club car park.

- [International Women's Day 25/50/100 km ride](#) – Global women's riding challenge. Register your ride, share it on social media and for a fee you can get a patch to show your participation.

### **Membership of TBC**

In February I met with a representative of the Shredding Betties Mountain Bike Club and after agreement by email from TBC members invited the club to join the TBC. I also sent an email to TBC members in June asking if they were still the correct representative or whether someone else should be invited to take their place.

### **Black Spots program**

I represented the Tasmanian Bicycle Council at a meeting of the Black Spots program in May 2020 and asked for two of the projects awarded funding to consult with me about how to make the projects more bicycle friendly. The council involved made contact not long after and I outlined my concerns about a roundabout that didn't offer protection for people walking and riding despite being next to a jogging and cycling trail network and a section of kerb bulbing on a key active transport street that would make it difficult for separated cycleways to be installed.



Alison Hetherington  
Chair, Tasmanian Bicycle Council  
19 March 2018– present



## TREASURER'S REPORT 2020

No income received during the year.

Expenses for the year

- Annual Return of Association \$64.80

Operating result was a loss of \$64.80.

Reconciled cash at bank \$1,073.90

The TBC meets the exemption requirements for financial audit since revenue is less than \$40,000 per annum.

The AGM is asked to vote on the motion that the financial records not be audited.

<b>Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc.</b>			
<b>Income &amp; Expenditure</b>			
	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2017/18</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Contributions - PPAC	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contribution - Other grants	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sponsors	0.00	0.00	0.00
State Bike Week events	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cycle education	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Received	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
ATO reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Expenses</b>			
Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
Admin expenses	64.80	86.90	62.00
App Development Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
Meeting expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
Function & Entertainment Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance - Public Liability	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cycle education courses	0.00	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage & box rental	0.00	0.00	0.00
Promotional flyers & brochures	0.00	0.00	0.00
Website & ADSL	0.00	74.00	0.00
Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00
ATO payment	0.00	0.00	0.00
	64.80	160.90	62.00
<b>OPERATING RESULT</b>	<b>-64.80</b>	<b>-160.90</b>	<b>-62.00</b>
<b>Tasmanian Bicycle Council Inc.</b>			
<b>Statement of funds</b>			
	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2017/18</b>
Group funds			
Balance brought forward 1 July	1138.70	1299.60	1,361.60
Net surplus/deficit for year	-64.80	-160.90	-62.00
	<b>1073.90</b>	<b>1,138.70</b>	<b>1,299.60</b>
Add un presented cheques			\$880.00
Cash at Bendigo Bank per stmt	<b>1,073.90</b>	<b>1,299.60</b>	<b>1,361.60</b>

- Chq 000074 dated 13/6/2017 which was unrepresented was cancelled.