



# CONSTITUTION

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# COMPETITION RULES

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**THE CONSTITUTION OF THE  
NORTH WEST MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION**

1. NAME: The name of the association shall be “THE NORTH WEST MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION” (hereinafter referred to as the Association).
  
2. OBJECTS: The objects of the Association are:
  - a) To promote, develop and encourage in all its form the sport of motorcycle racing.
  - b) To maintain the prestige of the Association and the sport.
  - c) To assist affiliated clubs and new clubs in matters of formation and operation of their activities.
  - d) To promote a public image of sportsmanship and citizenship at its highest level.
  
3. MEMBERSHIP: The Association membership shall not be limited in any manner or form. Membership shall be open to individuals above the 26<sup>th</sup> parallel, with the inclusion of Meekatharra, and any club that the Association deems worthy of association. FEE WILL BE REVISED ANNUALLY. Family membership fee not to exceed one hundred and fifty (150) dollars.
  
4. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held at 6pm at a venue decided by the host club (and not at the track) on the Saturday of the last North West Round. If not held on this day, the Annual General Meeting must be held not more than 15 months from the previous AGM and prior to next racing season. Agenda items (stating nature of business) must be given in writing to the President or Secretary of the NWMA at least 3 weeks prior to the AGM date. NWMA to distribute AGM Agenda to all affiliated clubs. Ballot shall be by show of hands, and the agenda shall be as follows:
  1. Welcome
  2. Retiring President’s Report
  3. Retiring Treasurer’s Report
  4. Retirement of the Controlling Body.
  5. Election of new Executives.
  6. Minutes of the previous AGM.
  7. Business Arising

CHAIR AND VOTE: The President of the Association shall chair ALL meetings that may arise. In the President's absence, the Vice President shall take the chair, following on, the President of the host club shall then take the chair. All clubs present and attending are entitled to cast one (1) vote. No delegate has the power to cast a vote on behalf of a non-attending club. No club shall be entitled to cast a vote, at any meeting unless all monies due from them to the Association have been paid prior to the commencement of the meeting.

5. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL

MEETING: An Extraordinary meeting, may be convened by the Control Body, with the receipt of a requisition in writing, by an affiliated club, upon whose signatures, are those of the officials of that club, specifying in detail the object of the request, and that a time period, of twenty one (21) days grace, be granted to the Control Body, in which to react.

7. QUORUM: The quorum at all general meetings shall be one third of the clubs entitled to vote there at.

8. SUBSCRIPTIONS: Until otherwise determined by a majority of members at the Annual General meeting of the Association, the annual subscription for the Affiliation Fee shall remain as has last been decided. Affiliation fees shall be paid up prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> March of that year, or prior to the championship, whichever falls first.

Unpaid Affiliation Fees of a particular club, renders that club un-financial and its members ineligible to gain points in any championship.

8. AUDITING OF BOOKS: The financial statement and the accounts of the Association have to be audited prior to the commencement of the new racing season, and have to be in the hands of the Control Body, within two (2) months of the final round fixture.

9. PROPERTY & INCOME: Income and property, as is derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the Association objects.

11. EXPULSION: If at, any time, the Association shall be of an opinion, that the interests of the Association so require, they may by letter, direct any member or club, to resign from the association. The resignation/expulsion of such a member or club, shall be submitted, to an Extraordinary General Meeting of delegates at the delegate's earliest convenience. The member or club who expulsion is sought, shall have notice of such a meeting, and of the grounds

upon which is sought to expel the member or club. The member or club, shall have no official sanction, or authority to participate as part of the Association until such allegations have been either justified or withdrawn.

The member or club, shall attend such a meeting or present in writing, the defence of the members or club, or have the member's legal representation. The Association by the vote of the delegates by ballot, shall have in its power the authority to ban, reprimand or expel the member or club.

12. TERMINATION OF

MEMBERSHIP:

Any person or club ceasing to be a member of the Association shall forfeit all or any right, legally or morally to and claim upon the Association property and funds.

13. TRUSTEES:

The property of the Association shall be vested in three (3) "trustees" who shall be elected by the members and they shall respectively hold office until death, resignation or a total lack of interest in the organisation be recognised in the official capacity, and removed from office by a resolution of members.

Any casual vacancy may be filled by the governing body and the person so nominated shall hold office until the next AGM after such appointment when he/she shall retire, but shall be eligible for re-appointment. The trustees shall on dissolution of the Association, and if there remains after the satisfaction of all the debts and liabilities, any property or monies remaining. The same shall not be paid to, or distributed among members of the Association, BUT shall be given or transferred to some other Association and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members or to some charitable object or objects which Association, institution or objects shall be determined by the members of the Association at or before, the time of dissolution or wind-up.

14. ALTERATION OF

RULES:

The Controlling Body, shall have the power to alter the rules. But, no such alterations shall take effect until those changes have been confirmed at an Annual General Meeting.

15. BY-LAWS:

The Ordinary Controlling Body shall have the power to make by-laws for the regulating of the conduct and the affairs of the Association in accordance with the Constitution.

16 DISCIPLINARY

ACTION

The Association reserves the right to take whatever disciplinary action it sees fit in need of consolidating itself as the official and governing body. The discipline handed out, may only be questioned at a club's delegates level to which sanction it has been generally been evolved. Any individual questioning the right of the Association in this regard, shall be treated as a malcontent and be treated accordingly.

17. BIRTH CERTIFICATES: All juniors within the jurisdiction of the Association shall have recorded within the Association files a copy of an extract, an extract or a statutory declaration/affidavit, signed and witnessed in the presence of a JP. NON-COMPLIANCE with the above may in advent of a protest result in the upholding of a protest.

18. INDEMNITY:

The Association deems it mandatory, the inclusion of the approved clause of "Indemnity" to all "On the Day" entry forms adopted by the affiliated clubs. Any person under the age of eighteen (18) must have in the parent's/guardian's handwriting, the authorisation of approval for their participation I the sport, i.e. guardianship also.

The Association and all its officials are to be totally indemnified for any encumbrances towards legal action. Any member of this Association having designs towards that end, can and may find themselves in similar situations.

## THE NORTH WEST MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

### REGULATION FOR MOTO-CROSS

1. PHRASEOLOGY: The following nomenclature, definitions and abbreviations shall be adopted in these rules, in any appendices thereto, in all supplementary regulations and for general use.
2. CLUB: Any club holding a North West Championship round must be incorporated.
3. NUMBER: Any duly financial member shall be eligible to take part in any competition within the Association and its affiliated clubs.
4. PROMOTER: Any person or persons or body or bodies proposing to hold, holding or organising a meeting.
5. SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS: Regulations, supplementary to these rules, being passed at an AGM for use within the jurisdiction of the Association. NWMA race/event rules and regulations to be attached and adhered to during events at MWA affiliated club rounds.
6. COMPETITION: Any test, race, sporting event or social event, in which a motorcycle may take part.
7. MEETING: An assembly of entrants, riders and officials including more or one competition. Host clubs are in control of the conduct of the meeting for the North West rounds.
8. RACE: A race is defined by a rider receiving indication to start racing and concluded by being given a finishing flag. A competition in which speed and skill are the determining factors.
9. EVENT: An event is a planned series of races to determine overall placegetters.
10. COURSE: The line of way to be followed in a competition.

11. TRACK A permanent or temporary course utilised for competition.
12. ENTRANT: Any person or body having signed an entry form and having been accepted in the competition.
13. MOTORCYCLE:  
MACHINE: Motorcycles divided into two categories defined as follows, each category being subdivided into classes:
- (a) Motorcycle - A one-tract vehicle with two wheels.
  - (b) Quad bike - A vehicle with four wheels

Machine category "a" not allowed to race against "b".

Shall be of a single cylinder, naturally aspirated, motors only. Machines of one capacity in "a" category, shall not be allowed to race against each other.

# RACE RULES

## PROMOTERS RESPONSIBILITIES

### 1. Alcohol and/or Drugs

The consuming of alcohol and/or drugs by ALL riders; pit crews and meeting official is totally forbidden before or during any practise or competition. North West round events to be smoke free, exception are a designated smoking area.

### 2. Fire Safety

The host club must supply two (2) fully charged fire extinguishers and/or buckets of sand in the pit area at all times during practice or competition.

### 3. Ambulance

A fully equipped ambulance with first aid officials must be in attendance at all practice and competition.

### 4. Facilities

All spectators' facilities and pit area must be positioned outside the racing circuit. No equipment or unnecessary items to be within a 3 metre radius of the designated race circuit.

### 5. Starting Procedure

Prior to the commencement of the race meeting the starter must inform all riders of the line up and start procedures. Fifteen (15) or Twenty (20) second and Five (5) second boards to be used to start of each race. Five (5) second board to be held for a minimum of 5 seconds and not more than ten (10) seconds before gates shall drop. If a start flag is used, a single quick upward movement is recommended for "GO". Clubs holding a NWMA race meeting must have at least twenty (20) starting positions. 50cc class to be started with green flag unless self-penalising gates are used. All clubs who have gates must use them for all classes, but all clubs shall have twelve (12) months grace to improve their gates if non-compliant.

Eg: Pivot points for gates are too high for quad bikes to cross.

### 6. Flags

Sufficient track flags must be supplied by the host club.



7. Flag Signals

Prior to the commencement of the race meeting, nominated flag marshals must be briefed on the correct use of signal flags.

8. Scrutineers

Minimum of 1 (one) scrutineer must be supplied by the host club and must be available during the prescribed scrutineering times. There shall to be 2 lines at sign on, One for pre-paid/nominated ,The other for people who have to pay and nominate.

9. Lap Scorers

Host club to supply two (2) lap scorers and the NWMA to nominate another club to supply one (1) lap scorer. NWMA to supply score sheets, tally results and adjudicate on scoring matters. – Scorers to be competent in scoring correctly and **all** laps to be entered.

10. Pit Marshal

One (1) Pit Marshal must be provided by the host club for the control of practice.

11. Flag Marshals

Each host club to make every effort to supply a minimum of six (6) flag marshals to host a North West Championship round.

12. Kiosk

The host club must provide a minimum of one (1) building (either of a fixed or transportable construction) in a clean and orderly condition, continually attended during programmed times by a minimum of one (1) adult person for the purpose of providing a variety of fast take-away food and drink sales at a reasonable price. The kiosk building must be positioned outside the racing circuit and within a reasonable walking distance from the pit area and general spectator area.

13. Toilets & Showers

The host club must provide a minimum of one (1) ladies toilet and shower facility and one (1) gents toilet and shower facility (of fixed, temporary or transportable construction) in a clean and sound condition, positioned outside the racing circuit and within a reasonable distance from the pit area and general spectator area. If showers cannot be made available at the facility, alternate options shall be provided.

14. Wash Pad

Host clubs shall provide a functional wash pad area for washing of bikes.

15. Shade Areas

The host club must provide sufficient shade in the pit area and over the lap scorer's stand.

16. Programme

The host club must provide a programme containing details of practice times and conditions, and the arrangement and times of the various competitions in the order of the standard NWMA race programme as listed on attached sheet.

The race starting times may be slightly altered to suit local requirements, but the arrangement and the time lapse between races must be adhered to as closely as possible.

Details of riders, host club messages, and advertising etc. may be included at the host clubs discretion. NWMA sponsors to be listed in programmes.

Advertising must not be offensive to public morals.

A copy of the programme must be posted up in the pit area for the convenience of riders, entrants and pit crews.

Copies must also be made available to the steward of the course, lap scorers, starter, scrutineer, pit marshal, flag marshals, announcer and first aide personnel.

17. Nominations

Nominations and Race Number Registration (race number registrations not to exceed \$150.00 for families) must be submitted on the appropriate forms together with nomination fee to the NWMA Secretary fourteen (14) days prior to the race meeting. Late nominations will be accepted up to the conclusion of Sign-in and Scrutineering prior to the practise session. LATE NOMINATIONS WILL INCUR a \$50 late fee. Riders eligible for the Feature race may put in a late nomination for *that event only*, by advising NWMA Secretary and paying the \$10 fee prior to race start.

Host clubs shall provide a separate manned sign in table for ALL late entries.

Nomination Fee: Juniors – Twenty Dollars (\$20) per class

Seniors – Thirty Dollars (\$30) per class

Additional class – Ten Dollars (\$10) per class

Feature races (senior riders only) = Ten Dollars (\$10)

## 18. Presentation and Points Round Dinners

NWR presentation dinner will be hosted by the club nominated to hold the last NW round. A standard for meals shall be met by all clubs elected to hold presentation dinner. All attendees will be charged a fee designated by the host club (currently set at up to \$20 per adult and \$15 for children). The NWA will supply funding to the host club for assistance in costs associated with holding the presentation dinner, within reason. Host clubs shall provide a minimum standard meal (ie: beef and gravy roll etc.) to all riders during or at the end of each round. Meals are not expected to be provided free of charge.

## **SCRUTINEERING REGULATIONS**

### 1. Machines and Riders

Onus is on rider to present themselves to sign-in and including machines/quads and back up bikes with all personal protective equipment to the scrutineer for approval before entering track for practise or competition.

### 2. Back-up Machines

All back-up machines must be scrutineered and must meet all the following standards, and must carry the riders own NWMA registered numbers.

### 3. Handlebar Plugs

Handlebars must be effectively plugged or blanked with a wooden dowel driven and glued into the bar and cut off flush with the ends of the bar, or metal blanking plugs securely welded onto or adhered into the ends of the bar.

Coins, washers etc are not permitted in lieu of genuine plugs. Handle Bar width to conform to MA regulations

### 4. Hand Levers

Clutch levers and front lever must have ball ends as manufactured.

Broken levers manufactured without ball ends are not permitted.

### 5. Brakes

Both front and rear brakes must be fitted and fully effective. Both brake levers must return under spring tension to the ready position.

### 6. Throttle

Self-returning throttle and twist grip must be fully effective, i.e. the complete throttle assembly must return under its spring tension to the idle position when the twist grip is released. (CAUTION) Do not allow the throttle assembly to SNAP BACK against the idle adjusting pin in the carburettor, as this can break the tip off and result in serious engine damage.

### 7. Spokes

Spokes must be of the correct tension. Not so tight as to emit a high pitched ring when struck with a spanner or screwdriver blade. Spokes emitting a dull thud are too loose. Broken or missing spokes will not be permitted.

8. Wheel Rims

Both wheel rims must be in good general condition. Buckled rims not exceeding ¼" run out will be permitted. Badly cracked or buckled rims will not be permitted.

9. Kick Start Lever

The kick-start lever must return under its spring tension to the uppermost position and must fold inward and stay in close to the engine so as not be a dangerous obstruction. Wired up or similarly secured kick-start levers will not be permitted.

10. Side-Stand

The side-stand must be completely removed.

11. Swing Frame Bearings

Rear suspension swing frame bearings must be in a good condition so as not to cause wheel wobble or bad tracking and braking. A lateral movement exerted to the top of the rear wheel will emphasise any excessive bearing wear. Wear at the bearing must not exceed 1/16".

12. Front Forks

The front suspension forks head clamps must be tight so as not to allow any movement between the forks and the head clamps which would result in serious wheel wobble. A simulated steering motion exerted on the handlebars while anchoring the front wheel will emphasise any excessive movement.

13. Split Pins

Split pins must be fitted and turned back where provision is made.

14. Seat & Fuel Tank

The seat and fuel tank must be securely fitted, with some small movement allowed where rubber mountings are used.

15. Mudguards

Flexible front and rear mudguards must be fitted, with no cracks, loose fittings or sharp edges.

16. Tyres

Tyres must be in good condition, with no bulging or loose or missing tread knobs.

17. Foot Pegs

Foot pegs must be securely fitted, with no broken or cracked welds, springs or crevice pins, and must return under its spring tension to the down position.

18. Fuel Safety

Fuel tank, filter cap, lines, tap or carburettor must not leak fuel at any point. NOTE: The use of highly volatile fuels, nitro-methane, alcohol or similar fuel additives is not permitted, unless written proof of manufacturer's specifications requiring special fuel is produced.

19. Exhaust Pipes

Exhaust pipes must be securely fitted, with no cracks, holes, broken welds or springs, and must not be excessively noisy.

20. Kill Switch

An effective engine ignition “kill switch” of the PUSH BUTTON type must be fitted to the handle bar.

21. Frame

The motorcycle main frame must be free of cracks, broken welds and distortions.

22. Side Panels & Number Plates

The side panels and number plates must be securely fitted with no cracks, loose fittings or sharp edges.

23. Numbers

The riders’ own registration number must be clearly displayed in the correct size and in the appropriate class colour and on the correct background colour. Junior numbers are white on black background unless complying with MWA rules. Senior numbers are black on white background for 251cc + capacities, and white on black background for 125 to 250cc classes, as per MWA rules. Three (3) number plates must be displayed, one on each side of the motorcycle and one on the front. Quads must display a number plate on the rear of the machine. Riders to ride with single – double – triple numbers or letters, one of each number – letter per class, sized as per MWA requirements.

24. Protective Clothing

Helmets - Must be of the correct MOTOCROSS approved type of either “open face” or “full face”, in good condition with no cracks or deep cuts. Minor damage is acceptable. Each helmet must carry the Australian Safety Standards Triangle symbol with the figures AS1698 or 1698, or of similar standard (IE DOT SNELL) as listed in Rule 01.70 of the FIM Technical Rules. Correct standards are itemised on 2013 Manual of Motorcycle Sport APP1, page 255.

WARNING: Helmets bearing labels stating that the unit “conforms” to or “exceeds” the above standards do NOT confirm these requirements. Any labelling with expired dates are also NOT permitted. Chin straps must be securely fixed to the helmet and must not be frayed or otherwise damaged. Chin strap locks must be of the double steel loop type. Press studs as a sole locking device are NOT permitted.

Boots - must be of the correct approved long-boot MOTOCROSS type in good condition with no cracks, cuts, broken straps or clips.

Work/Ankle cover boots are only permitted for Pee Wees not big enough for approved motocross boots.

Armour - It is compulsory for all junior classes to wear full front and back armour.

Neck Brace – It is compulsory for all junior classes to wear appropriate neck brace.

## QUADS

In addition to the above, Quad bikes must adhere to the following scrutineering requirements:

### 1. Frame and Parts

Quads must have the following:

- a) Four wheels at the corners of the machine;
- b) The front wheels must be used for steering and the rear wheels for driving;
- c) There must be a seat for one person;
- d) The rider must straddle the seat;
- e) Chain guards are optional, but front sprocket covers must remain if originally supplied by the manufacturer;
- f) Rear mudguards must be fitted, front are optional;
- g) A self-closing throttle;
- h) An engine cut out switch, of lanyard type attached to the body;
- i) Effective brakes on both front wheels and one on rear wheels;
- j) A maximum overall width, including the rear tyres, of 1400mm;
- k) No sharp or protruding extremities;
- l) Number plates are to be mounted centrally at the front and rear of the machine.
  - i. Junior – Black background with white numbers
  - ii. Senior – White background with black numbers(Riders using MA numbers may stick with MA colours and backgrounds.)
- m) Nerf bars must be fitted between the front and back wheels.
  - i. They must be of closed loop design and not extend beyond a point of the widest dimensions of the vehicle, measured with a straight edge touching the outside of the front and rear tyres.
  - ii. The bars must be covered with a material to prevent the rider's feet from going below the bars.
  - iii. The Nerf bars must be bolted or welded to the frame and must be close enough to the front and rear wheels to prevent locking together of competitors machines.
  - iv. No sharp, protruding or open end tubing is allowed.
- n) Brake and clutch levers to be complete with ball ends;
- o) Handle bars to be plugged;
- p) Remove or cover all glass lights and remove all mirrors.

## PIT AREA RULES

1. Riding in Pit Area

Riding of motorcycles in the pit area is FORBIDDEN with the exception of designated routes. Riders of motorcycles and quads shall ride first gear idle only (walking pace) through the pits on designated routes only at all venues.

**Pit Bikes are PROHIBITED at all times.** If a rider is found riding a pit bike, their points will be forfeited for the event.

2. Alcohol and/or Drugs in the Pit Area

The consuming of alcohol and/or drugs by ANY person in the pit area is TOTALLY FORBIDDEN, BEFORE or DURING the prescribed hours of any practice or competition meeting. All North West rounds will be smoke free, except for a designated smoking area.

3. Smoking

Smoking and/or naked lights are not permitted in the pit area or other designated Non-Smoking areas, signage required.

4. Motor Vehicles in Pit Area

Motor vehicles are NOT to be parked in the pit area unless authorised to do so by Host Club President.

5. Pit Personnel

Unauthorised personnel are NOT permitted in the pit area.

6. Dogs

**Dogs are NOT permitted at any event.** Guide dogs are exempt.

7. Properties and Equipment

All riders and pit crews are responsible for their own property and equipment.

8. Scrutineering

ALL RIDERS must present themselves with their approved protective clothing – boots helmets and armour with their machines, including backup bikes to the scrutineer and NWMA secretary and/or treasurer for approval before entering the track for practice or competition.

9. Re-checking

Rider's equipment or motorcycle may be required, at the discretion of the pit marshal or scrutineer, to be rechecked at any time during a competition meeting.

10. The president, pit marshal or scrutineers word will be final.

## Flags and their uses

The colours and sizes of FLAGS in the conduct of a motocross competition meeting shall be as follows:

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|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>GREEN</u>             | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>YELLOW</u>            | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>RED</u>               | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>BLACK</u>             | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>PURPLE</u>            | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>WHITE</u>             | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>BLACK &amp; WHITE</u> | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |
| <u>CHECKERED</u>         | (4" x 4" min – 6" x 6" max alternating Black and White checks) |             |
| <u>WHITE &amp; RED</u>   | minimum dimensions 610mm x 610mm                               | (2ft x 2ft) |

**(White background with 6" wide x 3' long red cross on both sides)**

GREEN Start of race, or OK to proceed during a race.

Australian National Flag

Western Australian Flag

**START ONLY**

Club Flag

YELLOW Slow down safely, Do not pass and do not better your position until past obstructed area.

RED "Slow Down safely for remainder of lap and return to start line and await instructions from Starter. Race will be called if more than half of race is completed at time of RED flag

WHITE & Ambulance or First Aid, First Aid Flag is for attention of First Aid Officers.

RED CROSS Flag to be used in conjunction with YELLOW Flag. Riders to observe rules for yellow flag. Do not endanger or obstruct First Aid Officers.

BLACK Retire from race immediately. Use only if bike is in a dangerous condition to the rider or other competitors.

PURPLE Protest flag. Refer to point 9 (nine) of race rules.

BLACK & WHITE Rider under protest. The rider can finish the race in his/her position then come to the starters stand and meet with tribunal members.

WHITE One lap to finish.

CHECKERED

FLAG Finish of the race. Close finishes between riders will be determined at the discretion of the Official Scorers.

WARNING Any rider who violates any of the above rules will be dealt with, at the discretion of the meeting stewards and/or club delegates – note that decisions are FINAL.



## 2. Starts

Unless otherwise determined, mass starts must be used; the order and position of each competitor will be by peg draw, ie peg one – gate one

The starting grid for all events will:

Have not less than two metre space for each bike/quad;

Be in one straight line;

Allow for a minimum of 20 riders.

The maximum number of starters must be specified prior to the event:

Minimum Three (3) riders will constitute a Class to race. If three (3) riders have nominated for a class, and only two (2) present themselves to the event, race will be run and scored. If only one (1) rider presents to the event, race shall be cancelled but full points shall be awarded to presenting rider.

All junior riders will ride in the age group as specified in MWA guidelines.

### Age Groups

Age calculated as at 1<sup>st</sup> January on race year. Refer MWA rule book for clarity.

50cc Demo	Age 4 to under 9 years – non-competitive
50cc Auto	Age 7 to under 9 years
50cc Quad	Age 4 to under 7 years – non-competitive (minimum 5 riders per round)
65cc	Age 7 to under 10 years
65cc	Age 10 to under 12 years
85cc	Age 9 to under 12 years
85cc	Age 12 to under 16 years
90cc Quad	Age 7 to under 14yrs (90cc 2 str & 110cc 4 str)
Blaster Class Quad	Age 12 to under 16 years (200cc 2 str & 300cc 4 str)
Junior Lite	Age 13 to under 16 years
Lite A & B	Age 16 and over (up to 250cc)
Open A & B	Age 16 and over (above 250cc)
Vets	Age 35 years and over
Quads Open	Age 16 and over (Open bike size)

Note: Age calculated as at 1<sup>st</sup> January on race year. Should a rider have a birthday after 1<sup>st</sup> January and be eligible for higher cc class – the rider may elect to change to that class, but cannot return back to original class Previous points will not be carried over. A rider may ride in more than one class, i.e. 14yo may be in 85cc 12-under 16yo and Jnr Lites class.

## RACE RULES (Section 2)

### 1. Punctuality at start line

Riders must be prepared to start according to the programme. If any rider is not prepared to start within two (2) minutes after all other riders in the event are prepared to start, he/she may be considered as a non-starter.

### 2. Late Starter/s

A late starter may be permitted to start in a race after the race has officially commenced, provided he crosses the start line in the normal manner, and does so before the leading rider has completed the first lap.

### 3. Jump Starts

Any rider/s after having made one (1) jump start, in any one event, (i.e. crossed the start line before the start signal has been given), shall be put to the back row of the field.

### 4. Erratic Starts

Any rider/s having made an erratic start, and considered by the starter to be doing so in a dangerous manner, or in a manner so as to jeopardize the fair chances of one or more of the riders in the race, may be disqualified from the event.

### 5. Leaving the Course

Any rider whose motorcycle leaves the course during a race, and who is considered to have gained an unfair advantage, may be disqualified from that event, unless such action was taken in the interest of safety, or was due to the action of other riders.

Any rider leaving the course during a race must re-enter the race at the point of exit, when it is safe to do so. Any rider leaving the course to undertake repairs or adjustments during a race may do so as long as they enter the race at the same point of exit. No points will be given for that race if the rider enters the pits.

### 6. Foul or Dangerous Riding

The meeting stewards and/or disputes committee may disqualify any rider or riders who in their opinion is guilty of any foul, unfair or dangerous riding, when in their opinion, such riding has resulted in an unfair advantage or jeopardized the fair chance of one (1) or more of the other riders in the race. The stewards may declare the race void and order a re-run.

### 7. Race Format

50cc Demo	4x4 mini track laps, if available
50cc Auto	4x3 full track laps
65cc/85cc	4x4 full track laps
Jnr Quad	4x3 full track laps
Jnr Lite	4x5 full track laps
Lite / Open	4x5 full track laps, plus Feature race
Vets / Ladies / Quads	4x4 full track laps, plus option to enter Feature race

Note: Race Format/number of laps are set after discussion at AGM only and will not be modified per round. To make alteration to Race Format this must be directed to the following AGM

#### 9. Protests

A protest can only be submitted by a rider at the appropriate point, as advised at Riders Meeting, directly after the race concerned BEFORE re-entering the pits.

Should a rider re-enter the pits on completion of the race a protest cannot be lodged. After lodging any protest a rider must pay a protest fee of \$75 before the protest can be heard by Dispute Committee. Assistance/discussion or comments with/by family members, friends or the public are not allowed.

#### 10. Numbers

All previous riders will automatically carry over their race number from year to year, except when the rider from junior class to Senior Classes, this is when the senior will take priority and the junior will have to choose another number that has not been used. If a rider fails to nominate for the first event his number will then be forfeited and put back up for grabs. MWA allocated numbers will override all of these rulings and take priority.

Background colours:

50cc to Junior Lite                      **Black background with White numbers**

251cc +                                      **White background with Black numbers**

125cc – 250cc                              **Black background with White numbers**

(NOTE: Riders using MWA numbers must use MWA colours and backgrounds.)

#### 11. Back-up Bikes

If a rider wishes to use a back-up bike in a race, he must get his bike from the pits without assistance of any kind and re-enter the track at the same point at which he and his bike left it. No points will be scored for that race.

#### 12. Fallen Rider

1. Once a rider has fallen and created a dangerous situation resulting in the stopping of a race, the rider in question will be ineligible to re-enter into the re-start, until the rider has been declared fit by a qualified person, i.e. ambulance attendant and his bike scrutineered by the pit marshal or scrutineer before re-entering the start.
2. Any persons using the ambulance at any club or NWMA meeting is solely responsible for the fee incurred., and responsible to communicate to track officials of condition requiring hospitalization or treatment above general first aid
3. No rider is to receive outside assistance during a race, mechanical or otherwise, unless it is a safety issue like a rider is stuck under a bike or seriously injured, no one is to enter the race circuit unless directed to by the senior official in control of the event. Parents will still be able to help 50cc demonstration riders who may not be able to pick up and start their own motorcycle but this will be as directed by officials. This is as per rule 15.15.9.1.A of the 2015 Manual of Motorsport.

14. Practice

All bikes to be scrutineered before practice (11am) Saturday Only.

11:15am – One sight lap (with sweep) and two hot laps per class (may combine classes).

Riders given one sight lap (sweep) and one hot lap practice prior to racing on Sunday.

15. Points for race

If a rider is to accumulate points for a particular race, they must complete 100% of their laps unaided and be in “control” and atop of their machine as per MA ruling. Riders must complete the full circuit and not cut the track.

Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points
1	35	11	20	21	10
2	32	12	19	22	9
3	30	13	18	23	8
4	28	14	17	24	7
5	26	15	16	25	6
6	25	16	15	26	5
7	24	17	14	27	4
8	23	18	13	28	3
9	22	19	12	29	2
10	21	20	11	30	1

## NORTH WEST ROUNDS:

1. Clubs to advise governing body after their AGM of new committee.
2. To host a North West Championship round, two hundred dollars (\$200) is to be paid to the NWMA.
3. Medallions for first three placegetters and participation sashes for junior non-placegetters to be given at each round - supplied by NWMA. NWMA to supply trophies for end of rounds presentation.

For a rider to be eligible for a NWMA trophy he/she must attend and compete in at least three (3) rounds.

4. A meeting with all club representatives on the Saturday before each round of the North West Championships. The meeting to be held immediately after practice on Saturday. Purpose of Meeting is to discuss issues relating to Current NW Round. Correspondence of the minutes of those meetings to be emailed to each club within fourteen (14) days.
5. Date for North West Championship rounds to be in no later than 15<sup>th</sup> March in writing Secretary/Treasurer NWMA (rounds to be shared).
6. Number registration as per regulations
7. Riders must be a member of a NW club to participate in NW Championships.
8. Number one (1) plate to be issued to overall points holders of 50cc to Jnr Lite class rider.

Junior No. 1 Plate to be scored on all four (4) races of each North West Round. Points from a particular race will not count towards No. 1 Plate if less than 3 riders start in that race.

A junior female will also be awarded a number one (1) plate at the end of the season. This will be determined by what position the junior female placed in each event and shall be cumulative towards end of season overall points. Five (5) riders shall be nominated in the round for junior female to accumulate points (males inclusive).

Senior two (2) wheel champion to hold number one (1) plate for senior riders. (Two (2) number one (1) plates may not be given in one year. No Exceptions.

Senior numbers 1 to 10. Overall Top 10 place getters of Senior two (2) wheel to be eligible to use numbers as to where they placed, i.e. 5<sup>th</sup> overall can use No. 5 in the following season.

## 9 **Weekend Schedule**

Saturday

10am to 11am Sign in and Scrutineering

11am Riders Meeting & Flaggies Meeting

11:15am Practice 1 x sight lap (sweep rider to be used) and up to 2 hot laps each class (may condense classes as required)

After Practice Delegates meeting, usually after 12:30pm

Racing round One & Two - All classes

(Note: If rider arrives LATE, onus is on rider to sign in, get scrutineered and briefed. NOT to go on track beforehand. A representative from each club MUST be present at the delegates meeting.)

Sunday

7:30am Sign in and Scrutineering (if required)

7.45am Riders Meeting & Flaggy meeting

8am Racing, 2 rounds per class plus senior features

Note: No practice on Sundays unless the track has been modified or dragged

30mins after racing ceases - Presentations

(Note: Newman club has been approved to alter race format at that club's discretion due to their track having permanent lighting installed. However, the Newman club must announce their intention to the executive committee before the calendar for that season is set.)

## 10 Dispute Committee

One (1) representative from each affiliate club to be appointed prior to the rounds and the name submitted to the President.

## 11 Cancellation of Rounds

Should a North West Championship round be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, delegates from each affiliated club will meet Saturday of the meeting at 12pm to make a final decision. Should the race meeting be cancelled, the host club to keep nomination money.

12 All triple jumps *and* double jumps are banned.

## 13 Div. 1 – Div. 2 Classification

Junior capacities will be run the same as MWA regulations.

### **50cc Demo Class Machines**

Machine Requirements:

a) Engine capacity must not exceed 50cc,

b) The clutch must be of centrifugal type,

c) 10" (254mm) rear wheels must be fitted. 10" (254mm) or 12" (304mm) front wheels may be fitted.

14 50cc Parents/Helpers

Immediately prior to Demonstration 50cc races, each 50cc rider is permitted to have ONE parent OR Helper (over 16yo) on the race circuit during their race. Parent/Helper is to stand with a designated track official (i.e. Flaggy). Parent/Helper should check with flaggy to ensure it is safe to help any fallen riders. No Parent/Helper is permitted to cross the track until ALL riders have received the checkered flag."

15 Running of Junior Capacities

Junior capacities will be run the same as MWA Constitution.

16 Junior Lite Class

Riders aged 13 years to under 16 years as at 1<sup>st</sup> January of current racing year are eligible to enter Junior Lite Class. If a rider turns 16 years during racing year they may (not compulsory) elect to move to a senior class. Should a rider go up their points will not be carried over. Junior Lite are not eligible to participate in feature race.

Junior Lite class is to be split into 100 TO 125CC 2 stroke 13 TO U16 YRS

or 128 TO 150CC 2 stroke & 200 TO 250CC 4 stroke 13 TO U16 YRS.

17 Open Class

255cc and over 2 stroke and 4 stroke motorcycles.

18 Dropping back in classes

Rider will ONLY be allowed to drop down after approval at a Delegates Meeting.

19 Novice moving up in class

Top 3 riders in Novice class to move up to appropriate classes in the following season. If a rider enters into the Novice class and is deemed to have the skills to move up to Lite or open classes, delegates will have the authority to do so at the delegate meeting.

20 Feature Race participants

Top 10 Open & top 10 Lite riders, top 2 Novice, top 2 ladies and top 2 Vet shall have priority gate selection – remainder of the grid can be filled by the remaining riders. Second row (behind starting grid) may be used for overflow. A \$10 fee must be paid to NWMA prior to entering the race.

21 Silent Numbers

Out of respect for the passed over riders, the following numbers are not be used in the NWMA. - #22, unless authorised by the Ashton Family, or for their use.

End of Race Rules

Life Members of the NWMA

Pat Crombie – 250cc class “336”	Newman
Jack and Lucy Busellato	Karratha
Alan and Dianne Skinner	Karratha
Wayne Skinner – 250cc class “19”	Newman
Darren Skinner – 250cc class “D”	Newman
Grant Wunderwald – Enduro “28”	Paraburdoo
Andy Hamell – Enduro “17”	Paraburdoo
Danny Outram – Open class “O”	Newman
Kim Meagher – “96”	Tom Price
Amanda Losik	Newman

Life Members to be people and not numbers, and as such, their numbers may be used.

Life member ‘only’ exempt from season registration fee.