



2010 Stewards Commissioner Report

I came to this position in late 2009 with absolutely no experience or intimation of what is required to do it justice. I am, with a lot of assistance, learning, quickly, and will continue to learn as time goes by. I have been able to broaden my knowledge with visits to the likes of the Super Bikes at Ruapuna and Juniors Nats at Marlborough and by opening contact with many Stewards around the country by way of email, phone and face to face meeting.

My past experience with local and national events along with the already mentioned contacts has led me to form some opinions of itmes that are of major concern to me and need to be addressed. The first is that it is most obvious that our Stewards training system we currently employ is inept and simply not working. It is most apparent in grades 1 & 2 but is across the board to a lesser degree. It is unfortunate that this lack has at times been in situations that have been most notable by all and sundry. Basic problems are now surfacing and are attribute to a lack of understanding and training, and mentoring for our Stewards.
THIS MUST CHANGE.

We need to form a group akin to Stewards in the area of "Clerk of the Course" Many of our problems would disappear if we had knowledgeable, efficient personnel in this position. They should be trained and graded and warranted in the same way as our Stewards are.
THIS SHOULD BE AN IMPERATIVE

In the light of recent tragedies in both MNZ Permitted and non permitted events the initiatives recently formed by Paul Searancke and Dave Yardley should be vigorously supported. Any relief to any trauma our Stewards may suffer is most welcome to me.

I will in the near future be formulating policies on Stewards training; number of Stewards at events in relation to entry of numbers such proposals to be presented for the Boards consideration.

I will continue to broaden my contact with Stewards across the country, seeking their views on our way forward.

We, as Stewards need to remember our reason for existence are the Riders, they are why we are here.

Thank you,
Del Morgan.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Del Morgan", written over the typed name.