

JIM Tuckerman for President

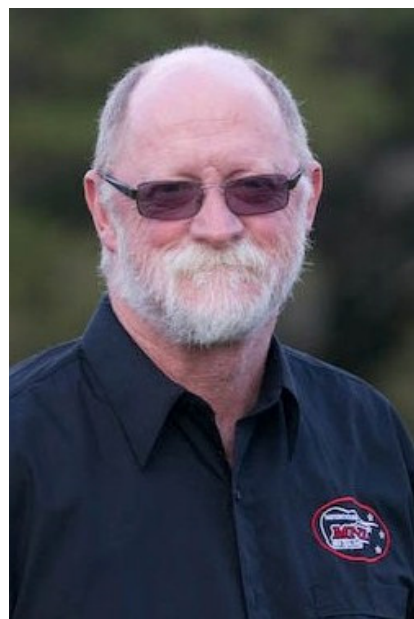
Two years ago, I put my name forward for the role of President.

To be honest, with the apathy within motorcycling I didn't consider I had a chance.

Well we all know what happened.

To be President of MNZ, you need to have the fire, the passion and the commitment to promote all aspects of our SPORT and represent them fairly and without bias.

You need to be strong enough to make the hard decisions and find ways to work through the solutions. This is not something you can do in a few hours at the weekend. You must be prepared to commit up to 30plus hours to the role, and be available 24/7.



Over the past two years, MNZ has undergone a complete re-structure and has moved from a position of running at a loss to making over \$200K, with a strong working relationship being formed between the Office and the Board. The much stronger financial position will enable MNZ to invest in the Sport, through projects which will have a real benefit for members.

During my tenure as President, MNZ has developed closer ties to our Australian neighbour (MA) and developed new relationships within the FIM. We have also renewed a strong relationship with the Motorcycle Industry Association.

MNZ is now recognised as a strong voice for motorcycling as a whole and through the good offices of our Recreational and Leisure Commissioner (Paul Searancke), MNZ now has the ear of Government Agencies such as the Labour Dept, ACC etc.

We have also moved forward with such projects as "Coaching for Coaches", "Officials Training", "Event Promotion" and have significantly increased the exposure motorcycling has received through the Media.

The 'Past' TWO YEARS have not been easy, but MNZ is now a cohesive unit, with the Board, Commissions and the Office working as ONE.

Personally, I have several projects I would like the opportunity to complete and feel that I have demonstrated in the past two years that as President, I have the skills, passion and commitment to get the job done.

I need your Vote for PRESIDENT, to allow me to build on the last TWO YEARS work.

Regards

Jim Tuckerman

MNZ President

Profile

B J (Jim) Tuckerman

I have been involved with Motorcycling for over thirty years, I had done some scrambling in the Wairarapa, before moving to Wellington for work in 1970 and then became involved with the Gracefield Grand Prix in 1972.

I had an Ariel Arrow as transport in those days.

I became Chairman of the Wellington Motorcycle Grand Prix Society in 1974, and was involved in the running of the "Marlboro Series" at Gracefield. I then became heavily involved in the Hutt Valley Motorcycle Club, serving on the committee and latterly as President and was made a Life member in 1988.

While in the HVMCC Inc, I was involved with the running of such events as "Suzuki 1000" at Queen Elizabeth Park, the Mr. Motocross Series around the Hutt Valley and the North Vs South MX at Porirua, to mention a few. I was also part of the organizing group who originally formed and managed the Motocross Park at Kaitoke, north of Upper Hutt.

I was also involved in the running of the Nissan Mobil 500 from 1987 till 1994 and then took on the role of Operations Manager of the 1996 Mobil Wellington Street Race. During the same period I served as an Assistant District Steward for the then ACU, and was actively involved in the governing side of the Sport, from club Steward through to Executive member of MNZ.

I have been involved in all forms of Road Racing from club events at Levin and Manfield, to International Series throughout the country. I have been involved in many of the different Street Circuits which have been run throughout New Zealand (Gracefield, Porirua, Masterton, Lyall Bay, Lambton Harbour, Taihape, Wanganui, Onekawa, Gisborne, Hamilton, Freeman's Bay, Paeroa) to mention a few.

I currently own and run an event company (The Event Mechanics Ltd), a PR / Media company (Motorsport Network Ltd) and I am in partnership in two television production companies (TeleSport NZ Ltd and Total Sport on TV Ltd)

In recent years, I assisted Paul Stewart with the running of the New Zealand Road Race Championships. With the support of Castrol New Zealand, the Motorcycle Distributors (Honda, Kawasaki, Suzuki and Yamaha) the Series has got bigger and better each year.

For the past TWO years I have held the role of MNZ President.

Below are just some of the events I have been involved with over the years, Either as organiser, Clerk of the Course or Steward.

Gracefield Grand Prix	Suzuki 1000 Q E Park
Mr Motocross Series	Marlboro Series Pukekohe, Wanganui, Gracefield, Levels, Ruapuna
Junior MX Championships Moonshine	Junior MX Championships QE Park
NZ Beach Championships Peka Peka	North vs South Motocross Porirua
NZTTs Manfeild	Motocross Manfeild
Cemetery Circuit Wanganui	Porirua Grand Prix
Onekawa Grand Prix	NZ MX Championship QE Park
Castrol 6 Hour Manfeild	NZ MX Championship Wanganui
Gumboot Grand Prix Taihape	Gisborne "Battle of the Streets"
Lyall Bay Street Circuit	NZ MX GP Woodville
Lambton Harbour Two Wheeler.	

In more recent times as Media Manager for MNZ and others:

NZ Road Race Champs at Teretonga, Levels, Ruapuna, Manfeild, Pukekohe
NZ MX Champs at New Plymouth, Pukekohe, Blenheim, Rotorua, Hastings
NZ Junior MX Champs at New Plymouth, Rotorua, Mosgiel, Otorohanga

I trust this shows I have been around a little, if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me.