

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2008/09 YEAR:

MFNZ TREASURER :

This is my first year in the Treasurer's position and I have spent some time coming up to speed with our accounting package and finding out the way the Council and the Association works. Without any previous council experience it has been a steep learning curve, possibly the upside is that I don't have any preconceived constraints to deal with. Ken does a good job at running the accounting package and it is adequate for our operation.

At the start of the financial year we had a generous bequest of \$33,500.00 from A.A.J. Dean's estate that provided us with an additional \$1788 of interest for the remainder of the year. This amount is held in a separate investment bank account and I know that our present President is keen to promote members including MFNZ in their Will.

Our budget for 08/09 year was set at a deficit of \$4750 and we came in with a deficit of \$2140.00 excluding the bequest and interest. The SIG's influence in our accounts has impacted adversely in the 08/09 year to the tune of \$20382.00 over the previous year. This includes Grants \$12,550 & Expenditure over Income of \$7,831. These items were just about neutral the previous year. This SIG support was funded by \$10,000.00 transferred into the Competition account during the year and the balance came from a reduction in the overall SIG bank accounts including the Competition and Nationals accounts and any funds that the SIGs may have raised.

Council passed a motion at the May 09 council meeting to run the SIG accounts in a separate area of our accounting package that should avoid distortion within our main operating accounts that we have experienced in 08/09 accounts. It will also avoid taking grant expenditure back into the main accounts as SIG income. I would like to see the grants expensed when they have been approved by council and transferred into the SIG bank accounts, this should provide better budgetary control.

FAI subscriptions have had two years of fees included in this year with \$1951 that should have been in 07/08 year.

Our magazine has incurred increased costs of 21% over the previous year and 16% over budget with advertising revenues remaining static. The increases were in printing costs and postage.

Promotions & Publicity expenditure has increased by 31% but still well below the budget set at the last AGM of \$16,000. At the last AGM \$2,000 was transferred from promotions budget to Safety & Compliance that hasn't been used. The rest of the budget is fairly close to the result.

We have written off stock of \$1672 so that only saleable stock was included in the stock take.

The Nats organising committee should be congratulated for their efforts down in Balclutha. They came up with a surplus with very much reduced entries compared to the Carterton events.

Summary

To place a truer reflection on the final result I will take into account the following:

Expenditure over Income deficit	- 2,140
Add back Grants	12,550
Subtract \$10,000 transferred Comp. account	- 10,000
Add back SIG Expend/income	7,831
Add back FAI subscriptions	1,951
Subtract Nats income over Expenses	- 891
Surplus	\$ 9,301

Affiliation Fees

I guess most of you will have felt the recession to some degree. Within my own local club we have had resignations owing to financial difficulties. I won't be recommending any fee increases at the AGM for 10/11 year. At the end of 08/09 financial year the SIGs had a pool of \$51,000 in their accounts including the Comps & Nats accounts so I would expect that it would buffer any excess expenditure over and above the budgeted \$10,000 .

Ross Drummond.