

FIM AFRICA: SECRETARY GENERAL REPORT 2018

GENERAL ASSEMBLY 3 DECEMBER 2018 – ANDORRA

2018 OVERVIEW

2018 has been a very busy year for the Secretariat, the SG assisted with meeting logistics and projects apart from the general day-to-day running of the CONU. All projects and activities are covered in the reports of the President and the Vice Presidents. We need to take note that the number of events being run on the CONU has decreased drastically. This is a sign of the times and seems be a common problem, which is exacerbated by the running of nonsanctioned events. The new Council has their work cut out for them

I would like to thank the Council members for their support and confidence during this past year; we have all been like little ducks swimming in a pond.

MANAGEMENT

- The proposed Statutes were approved by the FIM and then unanimously approved by the FMN's present at the EXOGA held at Emperors on 27 October. The changes mark a new chapter for the African CONU for the 2019 to 2022 term of office.
- Council met 3 times in 2018 but there is regular e-mail communication with Council members.
- There are a few delegates whose term of office ends and we hope that the FMN's will nominate delegates who are active and effective, as the commissions play an important role on the CONU.
- I attended a CONU and FMN SG meeting Mies at the FIM headquarters in May, which was very informative and I suggest that all FMN's take note of the information that has been distributed during the year by the FIM. One of the important issues that came out of the meeting was that any funding proposals to the FIM must ensure that more than one FMN benefits.
- The Oceania CONU is very keen to do something with Africa, something along the lines of an Inter-Continental Championship. Perhaps this is something the new Director Sporting could investigate.
- Elections for the four Council positions listed below, will take place during the General Assembly meeting on 3 December 2018.
 - > President
 - > Vice President
 - Director Sporting
 - Director Non Sporting

FINANCIAL MATTERS

- Management Accounts are distributed to Council on a monthly basis, to ensure that Council has a clear overview of the financial situation.
- KPMG conducted an in-depth audit of our 2017 financials and was completed timeously. The CONU was able to submit the audited financials to the FIM by the due date.
- FIM AFRICA was officially registered as a Non-Profit Organisation at the beginning of the year and the Bank has finally changed the name of the account.



AFFILIATED FMNs

- Communication with most of the FMN's continue to be a challenge, but we persevere. The CONU has 14 FMN's affiliated, but we are only aware of activities in about eight FMNs.
- We were recently advised that the President of the Algerian Federation passed away and we unfortunately have no other contact for the Federation.
- Despite starting the year off with a few FMNs being suspended, as at the last notification there is currently only one FMN that remains suspended.
- There will be a record number of FMNs in attendance at the GA which is very good news as we will have the opportunity to meet the delegate from Mauritania.
- It was hoped that Angola would be affiliated in 2019, unfortunately due to delays in submission of their documentation to the FIM, it does not look promising due to time constraints. It would have been wonderful to welcome another FMN to the CONU.

SPORTING

All Sporting matters (including Seminars held) will be covered by the two Vice Presidents of Sporting i.e. South/Central and North.

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental matters are covered in the report of the Report of the Vice President: Environment. Due to Mr. Matthee's appointment on the FIM CID, he will not be standing for any position on the CONU, but he has offered his assistance until a suitable Commission President is appointed. My sincere appreciation is extended to Marius for his assistance and advice during his time on Council.

LEISURE, TOURING & ROAD SAFETY

Activities during the year are covered in the Report of the Vice President: Leisure, Touring and Road Safety.

MEDICAL

Dr De Beer's term of office ends at the GA and I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for his time with FIM AFRICA, fortunately, he has offered his assistance so we will not be losing him.

WOMEN IN MOTORCYCLING

Activities during the year are covered in the Report of the Vice President: Women in Motorcycling. It is pleasing to note through the media that the number of girls and women showing an interest in motorcycle sport in Zimbabwe is on the increase.

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

As you are all aware by now my biggest complaint is the lack of communication from the African FMN's not just in responding to mails, but also content for the Website and the CONU Social media pages. All the FMN contact details are posted on the website and I would like to request that the FMN's check that the contact details of the Secretary Generals and Presidents are correct.

FMNs and delegates are once again reminded that the website and social media are wonderful platforms for promoting events; their countries; achievements of their competitors and officials; special projects etc. The Secretariat does not have the manpower to constantly check google alert for items from the different FMN's.



On behalf of all FIM AFRICA FMN's, I would like extend our appreciation to the FIM for the ongoing support, and for the MXOAN support, FIM AFRICA again received this year.

I would also like extend my gratitude to MSA and specifically the CEO, Adrian Scholtz for allowing me to continue my work as the Secretary General and for hosting the CONU Secretariat, this year has been challenging for our FMN, but he has not wavered in his support.

Finally yet importantly, I would like to wish Rose and Clive all the very best, both their terms of office on Council ends at the GA and unfortunately Clive will not be joining us in Andorra. It has been a pleasure and an honour working with both of you during your time on Council.

Good luck to all the nominees and I wish you all a safe travels.

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