Singapore Cycling Federation

Annual Report as at 31 March 2014

Management of SCF

The Executive Committee and Staff

Patron : Ms Irene Ng (MP Tampines)

President : Suhaimi Haji Said Hon. Secretary : Maurice Lee Asst Hon Secretary : Vacant

Honorary Treasurer : Janet Wee Lee Hong
Asst Hon Treasurer : Paul Lim Bock Leng
Vice President (Biketrial) : Walton Seah Jun Rong
Vice President (BMX) : Abdul Rahman Bin Ibrahim

Vice President (Leisure/Safety) : Winston Choo Vice President (MTB) : Hafizi Bin Senan

Vice President (Road) : Vacant

Manager : Mahipal Singh

Sport Development Officer : Vacant (staff resigned in March 2013)

Sports & Technical : Samuel Yang
Accounts Assistant : Geraldine Mok

General Report

The SCF Exco took over in September 2012. With the exception of Walton Seah, this is a totally new Executive Committee. We spent the year reviewing and consolidating and getting our processes in order. We invested a fair amount of time in reviewing our accounts and fixed assets and spent even more time resolving some fixed assets issues that were unresolved since 2011.

We are pleased to report that we have set in place new measure for proper corporate governance to strengthen the work done by our predecessors. We are confident and poised for growth in 2014 and beyond. We are thankful for the services offered by the following staffs who have resigned: Daniel Loy, Roger Krempl and Sim Shi Lin.

Online Membership Portal:

The SCF has launched its online portal for the registration of Membership. We have extended the use of this portal to include our UCI registration and courses. The next step that we are planning is to integrate the Registration of Teams into this portal.

There are 55 current SCF members (not including another 240 members on the database and whose membership have not been renewed).

National Championship and Community Outreach:

The 2013 National Road Championship was organised by RAD Events on 24 and 25 August, around Changi Coast Road. There were 292 registered participants across 14 categories. The response from local riders has been very impressive and the level of competition has been high across the categories with some very worthy champions receiving their national jerseys. There was also good support from local cycling clubs setting up booths over the weekend in a bid to attract more cyclists into their clubs which all goes towards developing the sport as a whole in Singapore.

Due to the severe haze situation in Singapore, a lack of adequate resources and competing priorities (especially in view of the 2013 SEA Games in Myanmar in December), the National BMX and MTB Championships were held back. Notwithstanding this, the following community outreach/participatory activities were organised:

- a) Safe Cycling activity organised in Jurong West Secondary School on 24 May with 50 participants. Teachers and students were also introduced to road and BMX racing
- b) BMX Outreach & introduction to safe cycling organised on 25 May in Tampines Bike Park with 35 participants
- c) BMX Series (Awesome Sunday I) on 16 June
- d) BMX Series (Awesome Sunday II) on 1 September
- e) BMX Series (Awesome Sunday III) on 27 October
- f) MTB Series (Downhill race) on 24 November

International Competition held in Singapore:

The SCF, under the able Chairmanship of Mr Abdul Rahman Ibrahim (Vice President, BMX) organised the Asian Cycling Championship for BMX in Singapore (Tampines Bike Park) on 19 May 2013. A total of 45 cyclists from 8 Asian countries participated. Notable results from our national riders include,

- a) Abdul Rakim Mohd Sallehin and Bakar Mohd Farhan ranked 16th and 19th in the Time Trials (Men's Elite Category)
- b) Nur Nastshasia Nadi ranked 11th in the Time Trials (Women's Elite Category)
- c) Hani Aquidah Ismail who came in 5th in the Women's Junior Category

International Competitions and Results:

Road:

Our Road cyclists did well for Asian Cycling Championship (ACC) held in New Delhi, India between 7 and 17 March 2013. A summary of their result is set out below: -

Dinah Chan (8th in Women's ITT) – top 3 SEAsian ranked cyclist Darren Low (12th in Men's ITT) – top 3 SEAsian ranked cyclist Benedict Lee (12th in Men's Junior ITT) – top 3 SEAsian ranked cyclist Winona Howe (11th in Women's Junior ITT) – top 3 SEAsian ranked cyclist Apart from the ACC 2013, five Road Cyclists (Darren Low, Dinah Chan, Low Ji Wen, Goh Choon Huat and Ho Jun Rong) were involved in a Pre-SEA Games test event held in Myanmar in May and travelled to Chiangmai, Thailand between 17 and 28 November for a centralised training stint in preparation for the SEA Games.

The following is a summary of their achievements:

Pre-SEA Games test event

- a) Darren Low 4th (Men's ITT)
- b) Dinah Chan 3rd (Women's ITT)
- c) Darren Low 10th (Men's Individual Road Race)
- d) Dinah Chan 3rd (Women's Individual Road Race)

SEA Games

- a) Dinah Chan 1st (Women's ITT)
- b) Darren Low, Low Ji Wen, Goh Choon Huat and Ho Jun Rong 5th (Men's TTT)
- c) Low Ji Wen, Goh Choon Huat and Ho Jun Rong 6th (Men's Team Road Race)

SCF has also continued to work on our road cycling junior teams.

Mountain Bike:

Our local riders participated in the Asian Cycling Championship in Chengdu, China on 11 and 12 May 2013. Notable results were achieved by our riders and these are as follows,

a) Ian Krempl - 13th (Men's Downhill, ranked top 5 among SEAsian riders)

b) Tan Eng Soon - 19th (Men's Downhill) c) Wilson Low - 32nd (Men's Cross Country) d) Laura Liong - 15th (Women's Cross Country)

As for the SEA Games campaign, our top rider, Tan Hong Chun underwent a training stint in Perth, Australia between September and November and a three-week training stint in Myanmar from 25 November. At the Games, Hong Chun achieved a credible 5th placing in the Men's Downhill event.

BMX:

The BMX Sub-Committee's primary focus in 2013 was on the organisation of the Asian Cycling Championship in Singapore on 19 May, complemented with the National Championship and BMX participatory series.

UCI Course:

The SCF organized a UCI Mechanics Course, the first to be held outside Europe and the response was overwhelming. This event was held between 21 and 25 January 2013 and it attracted 20 participants.

Coaching Courses and Continuing Coach Education (CCE):

An Integrated NCAP level 1 (Cycling specific) course was organised between 16 and 19 August and which involved 10 participants. The objective of this course is to increase the availability of trained coaches who can then impart the correct competencies and skills set to our future generations of riders.

Separately, a BMX Coaching Clinic, as part of CCE, was organised between 19 and 25 March 2014. The course conductor was Mr Jade MacPherson a Level 2 coach from Australia. A total of 25 coaches participated in the clinic.

OCBC Singapore Continental Cycling Team:

The SCF will no longer manage the OCBC Continental Team in 2014. This decision is mutually agreed upon by all parties concerned.

As the national governing body for the sport of cycling, the SCF's main objective of setting up the first continental team in Singapore has been met. It is time for the team to be managed independently. As an NSA, we felt that we may be in a conflict of interest if we continue to manage the team. In 2013, the management of the team was outsourced to Singapore High Performance Pte Ltd in preparation for their independent role from 2014.

Tampines Bike Park (TBP):

The TBP will likely be closed in 2014 for alternative use by the local authorities. The SCF is in negotiation with relevant parties, including the Singapore Sports Council (SSC) to facilitate the provision of an alternative BMX track.

Funding:

SCF continues to receive annual grants from SSC for the 12 months ending 31 March 2014. There are several factors which determine the amount of funding from SSC, of which, the following two are highly critical:

- the quality of SCF's MYSP (Multi Year Sports Plan) This is a rolling 5 year plan that needs to be updated and resubmitted annually
- b) OD (Organisational Development) review –
 which takes place every two years and which involves an assessment of our Organisational
 Structure and processes. Some of the categories (not a complete list) covered under this
 review include Leadership, Planning, Processes, and Results.

SCF members need to be aware that SSC maintains strict guidelines as to how these funds are used and adherence to SSC's Financial Regulations for NSAs as well as SCF's own Financial Policy and Procedures, among other policies and guidelines, are mandatory.

In the area of sponsorship, the SCF Management Committee is grateful to the following organisations and individuals who have come forward with sponsorship monies,

- (1) NTUC Fairprice Foundation
- (2) Mr Chew Thiam Keng
- (3) Ms Chong Chiet Peng
- (4) Altitude Labs

The above constitutes the Annual Report of the Singapore Cycling Federation Prepared for the Federation as at 31 March 2014