

General Meeting

02/08/2020 - Held at the Katrina Gibbs Oval, Macleay St Dubbo

Commenced at 2:17pm

Present:

Neil Rheinberger, Annette Pretty, Barbara Ectell, Heather Fryer, Lyndsay Fryer, Teresa Green, Faith Green, Justine Jones, Deanne Gavin, Peter Gavin, Natalie Lund, Tracy Coffee, Anneke Sell, Peter Murray, Natasha Murray, Nikita Noakes, Shaun Meyer, and Jenny Dennis

Apologies:

Madison Worth, Victoria Egan, Sharon Lord, Holly Gutterson, Maggie Gutterson, Louise Wood, Robert Green, Adam Dennis, and Fiona Maynard.

Minutes from last general meeting held on the 12th August were read by Lindsay Fryer, Natalie Lund moved the minutes be accepted, seconded by Teresa Green.

Matters arising from minutes

The increasing costs associated with the Dubbo showgrounds is continuing to be of concern and will be discussed further in General business.

Treasurer's report (Copy attached)

Teresa went through the full report in the AGM and printouts were made available to all in attendance

Opening Balance 1/08/2019: \$11618.89

Closing Balance 31/07/2020: \$9503.96

Loss: \$2114.93

Heather Fryer moved that the Treasurers report be accepted, and Natalie Lund seconded.

Correspondence

11th May 2020 – AQHA- Summary of rule changes outlined including; Judges, shows, and Results.

20th May 2020 – AQHA – From Carol Ricketts(President) Outlining the AQHA's plan moving forward with Covid-19.The board of directors has voted to credit each club \$100 after they have renewed their affiliation. This can be used for show applications.

27th July 2020 – AQHA – From Jo D'Arcy, Regarding guidelines for Covid-19 and approved shows.

General Business

Covid safety - The AQHA have set out guidelines for affiliates in regards to holding shows, including pre-entries and competitors ultimately responsible for their own patterns.

The club can print out one of each to stick up for competitors to view, however no printing of patterns to be handed out.

Pre-entries are also a requirement, Dee Gavin advised that Nominate is very expensive and it was agreed that this would not be a viable option for our club at this time. A word based entry form will be sent out for this and must be submitted via email along with breed membership and registration copies. This and the transfer of entry fees must be in by the Monday Prior to the show. Late entries will be taken with a late fee of \$10 per horse. If the show is cancelled or a competitor or their horse is unable to compete due to injury, funds will be refunded or credited for future shows.

Canteen - Dee Gavin offered to do pre-made style cooking for the canteen, Covid safe, individually wrapped items, and also suggested an honesty system be used as the vast majority of our committee compete.

September dates – as the Victorian border is currently closed due to Covid-19, it is highly unlikely Kate Elliot will be able to travel to Dubbo for the 12-13th of September. Barb offered to call Kate and discuss future dates as we have a paid for Kate's flight and this can be used for alternate dates. Barb has spoken with Jo Gregory regarding these dates, and she is available to judge one day on this weekend. This however is also risky with several cases currently in Sydney.

Anneke to contact Courtney Norbury to discuss a possible clinic for these dates.

Barb added that council will wave cancellation fees due to covid-19.

Stabling –Annette Pretty advised that she and Neil are happy to continue with Managing stable bookings and allocations prior to events.

First Aid Officer – Anneke Sell said she is happy to continue as first Aid officer.

Back Numbers – Heather Fryer checked the new numbers available, and we agreed to encourage competitors to continue to use 2019/20 numbers. Natalie will monitor new back numbers through the season and print more if stocks become low.

Points – Justine raised the issue of lodging points for Paints and Appaloosa's is a significant amount of work for not many horses. Also extra costs apply, \$220/year for paints and \$40/show.

It was agreed due to lack of Appaloosa numbers to only get AAA approval for the February feature show, however will continue Paint approval for 2020/21.

Show Dates – concerns regarding Covid safety of competitors, and risk of outlaying show costs for show to be cancelled or lack of competitors. It was decided that aiming to run two show weekends November and February would be less risky.

Anneke will discuss pending showground hire dates for next year with Barb.

Dubbo showground rising costs- Council continue to raise grounds fees. Last year venue cost over \$6000. It was agreed to raise the admin fee on entries to \$5 to help cover the electricity bill for stables.

Dee Gavin suggested a change venue to Geurie showground. There is no indoor arena but good camping and yards. The venue hire is \$50/day. Anneke and Dee to investigate further and take photos. Concerns raised over outlaying costs, and cancellation due to poor weather.

Natalie Lund suggested new indoor arena at Blayney showground. Concerns were raised due to lack of stabling. Natalie and Heather to investigate further.

There being no further business; meeting closed at 3:31pm