

Pony Club Association of Victoria Inc

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PCAV STATE COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting held at Irving House, 73-75 Mackie Rd, Mulgrave
on Tuesday 10th February 2009 at 10.00am

MEETING OPEN

The President reflected on the bushfire tragedy and sent our thoughts and best wishes to the affected families. The State Council discussed support for clubs and members as well as welfare issues. The PCAV is encouraging clubs locally and nationally to support the devastated areas. PCAV will be assisting with insurance claims and funding submissions to Federal and State governments as well as liaising with the DPI and RSPCA on animal welfare strategies.

1. PRESENT / APOLOGIES

Present: (Chair) President - Jan Faulkner, Vice President - Kammy Cordner Hunt, Vice President – Philip Cobbledick, Treasurer - Janice Ray, BZ – Deirdre Davey, CZ – Leonie Lang, EGZ - Stephen Bragg, MZ - Kaye Blanchard, NZ – Bronwyn Glenn, SMZ – Tony Curwen, WGZ - Vicki Kneebone, WZ - Anthea Sutherland. EO - James Fitzpatrick, SCD - Clare Lewin
Apologies: NEZ - Lyn Stevens, NMZ - Linda Smith

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES (11th November 2008)

Moved Anthea Sutherland

That the Minutes of the State Council Meeting held on 11 November 2008 be approved.

Seconded Bronwyn Glenn

Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Items not ready for Council requiring additional development

3.3 Club Voting Rights To be addressed by Rules Committee

3.4 Showjumping Rules See 11.10

3.5 Horse Trials Rules To be addressed by Rules Committee

4. PRESENTATION ON TRAINING

James and Clare gave a presentation on training in pony club with particular focus on the NCAS Preliminary rollout, state training clinics at CZ, EGZ/WGZ and NEZ, and DCI/ZA mentor training.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

Administration

5.1 Inter Pacific representative ratification

Moved Philip Cobbledick

That Shay Smith be the Victorian Rider on the Australian Team for the 2009 Inter Pacific Rally

That Kristen Petzke be the Reserve Victorian Rider on the Australian Team for the 2009 Inter Pacific Rally

Seconded Kammy Cordner Hunt

Carried

5.2 Membership Fees

Moved Janice Ray

That the 2009-2010 Memberships Fees be \$68 for a Riding Member and \$40 pro-rata from 1 February 2010.

Seconded Vicki Kneebone

Carried

5.3 RDAV Office Proposal

The Executive Officer gave an overview of a proposal for the RDAV to rent office space at 73-75 Mackie Rd, Mulgrave.

Mark Judd and Mick Staub will provide a detailed floorplan and costing for the proposal.

If the floor plan is workable, a financial model will be developed.

Moved Janice Ray

That the Executive Officer moves to the second stage of the discussions relating to providing office space for RDAV. A detailed floor plan be developed, fully costed and given to RDAV for their consideration.

Seconded Kaye Blanchard

Carried

5.4 DPI Grant Bellevue

The PCAV is implementing the DPI grant to improve bio security by making database amendments. These amendments will include the introduction of zone reports, calendar revisions, automated event lists to the DPI, 8km radius reports and SMS to mobile capacity. Additional improvements are an on-line shop, on-line entries, on-line payment facility plus a graphic re-design.

5.5 Qualifications of horses for NMG Clinics

The current rules apply; All horses used at any NMG State Training Squad must have 2 rallies at their club, before commencing squad participation. Refer Bylaws rule 31.1

NMG training clinics that fall on the same day as a rider's rally day may have attendance granted by the club DC. - Bylaws rule 19.9 a ii

Events

5.6 2009 National Championships

Moved Janice Ray

That the following people be approached as selectors for the teams:

Show jumping

Yvonne Morrison, Vicki Kneebone, TBA

Dressage

Clare Lewin, Belinda Dawkins, Debbie Warne

Eventing

Clare Lewin, Neil Clinton, Bev Shandley

NMG – as per current list

Coaches – TBA

Chef d'equipe - TBA

7 coaches will be subsidized for airfare and accommodation.

30 riders will be subsidized @ \$150 per rider

NMG riders will receive 75% airfare.

PCAV will pay Team Entries

The total budget subsidy is \$15,000

Rider briefing during lunch at State Games Championships at WPNEC on 14 June 2009

Seconded Steve Bragg

Carried

5.7 2011 Nationals

That PCAV has offered to host the 2011 Nationals.

An organising committee will be established by the June State Council Meeting to select a date and venue. Some venues suggested were Bacchus Marsh, Werribee Park Equestrian Centre, Albury EC, Elmore EC, or Ballarat. Expressions of interest from zones or clubs who have ideas for venues are invited. The venue must have access to a XC Course, an area with suitable footing to house 8 dressage arenas, 2 showjumping arenas, and suitable warm up facilities. It must also have access to accommodation and food for 250 people, plus stables/ yards for a similar number of horses. The venue must be available during the school holidays.

5.8 Inter Zone Teams Horse Trials booklet approval

Moved Leonie Lang

That the Inter Zone Teams Horse Trials Booklet be approved. With the following amendments;

Change age requirement words, typo "was", cross country order on p1, scoring commentary

adding points system, winning team lowest points,

Individual entry form needs grade. Change words to expression of interest or nomination

Seconded Steve Bragg

Carried

Further discussion followed;

It was decided that a paper is to be written on pros and cons of eliminated riders being awarded 1000 points for teams events. The count back system for placings in horse trials will be reviewed for 2010.

Draft Entry Forms were circulated to State Council.

Individual forms will be loaded on the website. Zone Team form will be supplied to zones. Each zone Sec and Representative to receive a mailed copy of the entry forms.

Draw available on the internet as at xx date.

It was noted:

The PCAV Treasurer would like one cheque from each zone for entry fees. Individuals should make cheques payable to their own zone and then the zone must forward a single cheque with the entries. A second cheque may be written by zones for composite team entries.

Volunteer co-ordinators, roster and letter to be circulated. Send the volunteer list to Deirdre Davey. Philip to work the microphone.

Moved Janice Ray

Saturday Night dinner will not have an A Grade Showjumping exhibition due to logistics of re-setting the course and participant expectations.

Seconded Leonie Lang

Carried

5.9 2009 State Training Clinic Notification

28 March 2009	Bunyip
30 May 2009	Riddells Creek
28 November 2009	NEZ TBA

6. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

6.1 Financial Reports as at 31 December 2008

Moved Janice Ray

That the MYOB report showing a loss of \$7,175 for July-December be approved.

Seconded Anthea Sutherland

Carried

The budget for 2009 – 2010 will be completed shortly now that the EO salary package has been finalized.

6.2 Long Term Investment Strategy

Moved Janice Ray

That the Executive Sub-committee be authorised to invest funds that are surplus to operating requirements in government backed secured bank deposits with the Treasurer as the signatory.

Seconded Steve Bragg

Carried

6.3 Fire Donation Fund

Moved Steve Bragg

That a bank account be established for clubs or individuals Australia wide to contribute to fire affected pony clubs and members. That the signatory be James Fitzpatrick, Executive Officer.

Seconded Kaye Blanchard

Carried

Details to be posted on the PCAV Web site

7. **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Membership numbers show 6620 at 31 January 2009, 107 lower than last year.

8. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Refer to Making a Difference magazine

9. **COACHING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Refer to the web site for details of the NCAS Preliminary Roll out and the upcoming State training workshops

10. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 11.1 Pony Club Australia
Don Nixon was replaced as delegate for QLD. This means he can no longer be President of PCA.
The new QLD Delegate to PCA is Danny Maher.
Acting President is Greg Bailey from SA.
The EADRA levy was not passed in the Senate.
MOU needs to be implemented between Equestrian Australia and Pony Club Australia.
Name change suggestion for Pony Club to be tabled to PCA.
- 11.2 PCAV Executive Minutes supplied
- 11.3 EFA, noted that there has been a name change to Equestrian Australia, Equestrian Victoria etc
- 11.4 Chief Instructors Panel No meeting, next meeting on April 14th
- 11.5 State Games, Flat Teams and Musical Ride Sub-committee
Flag and Drum Relay Pole dimensions should read 22mm
Musical Ride Score sheet total should read 100, 50 for artistic impression and 50 for the riding component.
The Wardell family has offered a perpetual trophy for the musical ride. The kind offer was accepted with discussion to take place as to whether to update the current trophy or purchase a new one.
- The Games sub-committee is to help get equipment from the PCAV shed in Bacchus Marsh.
Bunting quote to be submitted by April Meeting.
First Aid Providers have been booked
Judges are to be finalised
- Moved Kammy Cordner Hunt
Games Competition
In events 1 to 6 inclusive:
1st = 50 points; 2nd = 40 points; 3rd = 30 points; 4th = 20 points; 5th = 10 points.
In the event of equality of points for first placing, there will be a run-off to decide first and second placing's. A count-back will decide subsequent placing's.
The count back is determined by the highest number of first places over all heats. If any places are still tied, the highest number of second places over all heats, and so on until places are determined.
If after the above count back, any places to sixth remain tied, the places will be decided by the higher placing in the game in which the equal teams competed against each other.
Seconded Kaye Blanchard Carried
- 11.6 National Mounted Games Sub-committee
Marilyn Healey's report was received and is very comprehensive.
As yet there has been no report from the Seniors squad.
- 11.7 State Dressage and Showjumping Championships (2009 CZ)
A suggestion for a 10 year rotational roster to be applied to draw was submitted. To be tabled for further discussion at the April State Council Meeting.
The Executive Officer to type and place on the internet.
John Barlee's Technical Advisor's report was tabled and circulated.
Portable yards are fine for the championships. Tape yards will be accepted.
Draw will be placed on web site.
Site plan for venue had allowance for a trade display. It was suggested this area be used for a History display.
EGZ selecting venue for 2010 Championships at their next meeting.
- 11.8 State Horse Trials Championships (2009 MZ – Fosterville TBA)
List of judges given to Clare for approval. The judges for the dressage phase are; Marie Gahan, Judy Fraser- Reese, Rosemary Williams, Beryl Pearse, Sue Nevitt, Jenny Bartlett, Moya Jess and Fiona Cochrane
Ewan Kellet is well under way with building the XC Course.
- 11.9 Inter-Zone Teams Horse Trials

- 11.10 Rules Sub-committee
 Moved Steve Bragg
 That the Showjumping Rules will be effective 1 July 2009.
 Seconded Vicki Kneebone Carried
- 11.11 History Sub-Committee
 Moved Kammy Cordner Hunt
 That the history winners as displayed are ratified and the winning club submission to be presented at State SJ and Dressage Champs.
 Seconded Vicki Kneebone Carried

Over 100 history submissions were contributed
 More work is still to be done. We need more personal experiences to fill out the volume of dates etc. Submissions can be made via the website.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 12.1 PCAV Events Calendar will be printed on 17 February 2009. Zone Reps are asked to proof read and supply changes by 16 February 2009.
- 12.2 Central Zone recommended a change to the age description for the C Certificate rule 31.11.a
 Moved Leonie Lang
 Riders who have been in pony club for more than two years and are aged over 14 years (ie. Have passed their 14th Birthday) must have attained their "C" Certificate in order to compete at any State or National competition.
 Seconded Kaye Blanchard Carried
- 12.3 The PCAV will not hold State Level Events on days where extreme conditions are forecast.
 The decision to hold a State Championship will be reviewed three days prior to the event based upon the weather and other state authority forecasts.
- 12.4 Bylaws - Dressage Separating Equality of Faults - Rule35.4.b Highest test definition needs to link to Dressage Rules Rule 11.6.b.
- 12.5 Incident report forms need to go to 73 -75 Mackie Rd, Mulgrave NOT Brighton. Postal redirect will expire in six months

12. CLOSE MEETING 4.48 pm

13. NEXT MEETING

Executive	Tuesday 24 March 2009	Mulgrave	10am
State Council	Tuesday 14 April 2009	Mulgrave	10am