

COMMITTEE MEETING

Hotel Coachman

140 Fitzherbert Ave

Palmerston North

29 September 2012

Meeting Opened 11.05am

PRESENT: John Flintoff, Bev Birkett, Helen Hansen, Glenda Schumacher, John Moore, Heather Cooper, Evelyn Cooper, Marilyn Montgomery, Donna Harley, Andrea Parker, Christine Christian, Vicky Siddall.

APOLOGIES: Noeline Jeffries, Judy Williams, Sheryl Goble, Rosemary Lee-Oldfield, Jean, Fitzgerald

MINUTES: Previous minutes were read.

MATTERS ARISING: Helen queried about the NITE rule change, re Quadrille music. Andrea to send out to all committee and clubs the new amendments, before the next committee meeting.

Under Matters Arising it should read; "The Host club holding the AGM was given \$100-00".

Stallion rule has been changed in the amendments.

Helen has not had time to go through the boxes, as this is a huge job. It was decided that all old records and boxes be brought to NITE 2013. John Moore has kindly offered to separate AGM and Committee minutes and important documents. The rest will be destroyed. The Committee will discuss what is to happen to these documents that we are keeping when we have a clearer idea of how much paper is involved.

Jobs from Last Meeting

Pukahua Club has advised us that they are unable to Host NITE this year.

Not many clubs have responded to questionnaire in Riders Roundup about what other phases they would like to see in NITE/SITE. Hoof ball was discussed but it was felt that this could be a difficult phase. Discussion was had on this. Bev has kindly offered to bring a hoof ball to the next NITE for teams to experiment with.

Facebook is up and working.

Riders Round Up is great. Thank you Heather. It was noted that not all the committee profiles have been given to Riders Roundup and Jean for the Website.

Vicky had a quote for leasing a computer for the Secretary to use. This seemed to be the expensive option. She also had a quote of \$1099.00 to buy one. Marilyn will look into the price of buying a laptop through her contacts. She may be able to get a very good deal. She will get back to the committee with prices for approval.

Financial:

NZ Riding Clubs main account \$10,533-51

NZ Riding Clubs Savings Acc \$ 5,448-31

Bridleways of NZ Main acc \$ 215-72

Bridleways of NZ Savings acc \$5,473.74

Payments Approved:

Bridleways, Stationary \$34-95 **Helen/Bev**

NZRC, Christine \$166-00 Noeline \$76-00. **Vicky/John M**

Airfares: Helen moved that the airfares be fully refunded for 3 South Island members to attend this meeting. **Helen/Glenda**

A discussion was had on how much this meeting has cost. Where possible we need to look at clubs covering

half costs and NZRC covering the other half. A lot of clubs are not financial enough to cover costs.

The cost of the meeting at Palmerston North is \$1,926-00.

It was noted that the Insurance has gone up a lot. It may well increase next year as well. Affiliation from clubs last year \$ 9674-00. It was found that the mileage being paid does not need to be altered. The cost of Airfares needs to reassess. It was decided that NZRC would pay half airfares within reason. **Correspondence** John Moore has asked what the patron role is. He would like to see NZRC patrons as a financial backer where possible. Do the patrons have voting rights? He already has voting as a life member. It was pointed out that only the President has 2 votes. The constitution states that there is no voting rights for patrons. Life members are not committee members. The meeting has left it up to John to decide what role he takes at meetings.

He does not think that gifts should be handed out. There are some jobs should be acknowledges and gifts given. A discussion was had on this. The gifts should be left up to the discession of the committee. It was suggested that the Bridleways could have a name change. Green Trials is being used more in this day and age. The committee discussed this and it was agreed that the name Bridleways stays the same. Christine will reply to Jan Mossman about this.

The use of Body Protectors has been discussed at previous meetings. NZRC recommends that body protectors be used. Medical armbands are strongly advised as well. Andrea to reply to Twin City Riding Club.

NITE Kapiti Riding Club will run the Show Jumping Phase, and turnout. Masterton Arc is unable to run the X Country phase this year as they have committed to another event at the same time. Taupo ARC will run the Quadrille.

Coastal ARC will run the games.

We need to find a club that is willing to run the cross-country phase. Evelyn suggested that if Taupo could not find a club to run the cross-country phase then maybe they could hold another Show Jumping phase.

A discussion was held about the date of NITE each year. This usually conflicts with families going away together and some members find it difficult to participate because of this.

Trophies are to be found and brought back to Taupo for NITE 2013 or sent back to Carlie Gainesford c/- Taupo Saddlery, Waikato Street, Taupo. Andrea to find out which clubs have these trophies.

REPORTS:

The North Island's Presidents report was tabled. The Presidents report was tabled.

The South Island's Vice Presidents Report was tabled. The Bridleways report was tabled. It was agreed that Bev and Christine (\$166-00) be reimbursed for a meeting that they both attended. (Bev's expenses had already been approved.)

Helen pointed out that expenses need to be approved before attending meetings. In future the Secretary will need to notify the Executive Committee to get approval before a member attends any unexpected meetings.

The Riders Roundup Report was tabled. Unfortunately Heather has also tendered her resignation. She will be unable to continue as Editor or as a committee member. The committee expressed their gratitude to Heather for a very thankless job that she has been doing. Heather will send out one more Riders Roundup after this meeting. South Island Bridleways Report was included in the Riders Roundup.

The meeting was suspended for lunch at 1.10pm The meeting was reconvened 1.54pm

General Business

A discussion was held about keeping the compulsory jumping phases in NITE. Marilyn asked if you could win NITE or SITE without competing in a jumping phase? It was decided that you couldn't.

Marilyn discussed the option to open NITE/SITE to other non-affiliated teams. She has discussed this with some South island people who are looking for things to do with their equines. She thinks that this would work. People that she has approached were open to this idea. The follow on from this is that people might join NZRC after the competition.

A discussion was had on the compulsory phases. The rules say minimum of two non-jumping and 2 jumping. There is a Maximum of 6 phases. Evelyn thinks that the rules cover what is needed for NITE and SITE.

It was decided that NITE 2013 is to go ahead with no change to the phases. The date for SITE has been set for the last weekend in March 2013. Andrea suggested that she send a reminder out to clubs about the current financial year for affiliations. Some clubs are not affiliating in time and they may find themselves with no insurance.

Road safety handbook. Evelyn thinks that this is almost ready to be published. Andrea has a Pdf copy of this. A copy is to go on our website and facebook. Heather is still working on the test sheets. The test sheets when finished will go on the website as well. The answers will not be supplied. It was suggested that these could be made available to the local pony clubs.

John Moore has asked that the Agenda for meetings be sent out 14 days prior to meeting. The NZRC banner has been located. Helen got a quote for updating this, but unfortunately the person involved has passed away. Christine will look into getting a new banner. Possible two banners. One for the NZRC and Bridleways and another for past and current Presidents, Secretary's and Treasurer's. Andrea will find the information for this. We could have one for the North Island and another for the South Island.

The AGM has been set for 8th and 9th June 2013. Springston Club to host this in Christchurch.

Meeting Closed: 3-12pm **Next Meeting:** 5 January 2013 at 7pm. National Equestrian Centre Taupo