



Pony Club Association of Victoria

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

Held at the Mulgrave Country Club, Jells Rd Mulgrave
on Tuesday 26th August, 2008 at 6.30pm.

1. OPEN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6.30pm

PRESENT

Stephen Bragg, Jan Faulkner, Colin Faulkner, Deirdre Davey, Darrelyn Boucher, Philip Cobbleidick, Leonie Lang, Linda Smith, Lyn Stevens, Kammy Cordner Hunt, Kaye Blanchard, Margaret Page, Amy Holland, Phil Holland, Jim Page, Joanna Potton, Kate Wilson, Jan Dear, Brian Copeland, Bronwyn Bouchier, Peter Bouchier, Bronwyn Glenn, Brian Potton, Bev Weir, James Fitzpatrick, Janice Ray, Denis Carmichael, John Barlee, Robyn Coutts, Tony Curwen, Bob Kenner, Sue Carmichael, Ron Gates, Monica Gates, Fiona Matheson, Clare Lewin, Pat Barlee, Anthea Sutherland, Sue Muirhead, Peter Muirhead, Alister Ling, Tim Ling, Val Armstrong, Greg Morton, Lisa Morton.

2. APOLOGIES

Stephen Coffey, Vicki Kneebone, Jess Hull, Nancy Davis, Clarrie King, Angela King, John Stevens, Diana Basset-Smith, Glenda Perry, Jim Hurley, Jess Hull, Frances Corry, Keitha Raabe, Wendy Olenick.

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Moved Robyn Coutts

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 28 August 2007 be taken as circulated and read.

Seconded Brian Potton

CARRIED

Moved Stephen Bragg

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 28 August 2007 be accepted as a true and accurate account.

Seconded John Barlee

CARRIED

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Janice Ray gave an overview of the Treasurers Report which was printed in the Annual Report.

Moved Janice Ray

That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Seconded Anthea Sutherland

CARRIED

Moved Janice Ray

That appointment of the auditors Clements Dunne and Bell partnership for the year 2008-2009 be approved.

Seconded Philip Cobbleidick

CARRIED

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jan Faulkner invited people to read her report, which was printed in the Annual Report. Jan expressed her appreciation to her fellow executive members of the Council, the State Councillors, Executive Officer, Coaching Director and staff and for their wonderful support.

Jan highlighted the impact of Equine Influenza, the purchase of the new office building, strong government grants, improved communication, Working with Childrens Legislation, membership, events and activities.

Life Memberships

Jan reflected on the pleasant duty to present Life Memberships to Stephen Coffey at the PCAV State Horse Trials Championships and Fiona Matheson at the PCAV State Showjumping and Dressage Championships.

Distinguished Services Awards

Jan called speakers to assist her with the presentation of the Distinguished Services Awards.

Recipients were:

Nancy Davis EGZ

Bev Weir EGZ

Ron Gates SMZ

Denis Carmichael SMZ

Jim Hurley NMZ

Jim Page NMZ.

Award of Merits

Award of Merit recipients were:

Georgie Birrell-Barwon Heads

Alyssa Calaby-Barwon Valley

Fleur Griffiths-Colac

Christine Darby-Drysdale/Leopold

Naomi Trudgeon-Drysdale/Leopold

Katrina Doodt-Ballararat

Bridget Croagh-Ballararat

Sarah Christie-Branxholme

Sarah Klas-Glenlyon

Alycia Duclos-Diamond Valley

Stephanie Parsons-Nunawading

Larissa Kiehn-Morn Peninsula

Tanya French-Monbulk

Jesse Ramage-Benalla

Kaelah Gasperotti-Myrtleford

Niki Kennedy-Kergunyah

Kylie Button-Benalla

Donna Ford-Berwick

Emily Cray-Hallam Valley

Rebecca Parker-Bunyip

Jarrod Stovold-Cockatoo

Katie Halkier-Cockatoo

6. COACHING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Clare Lewin invited people to read her report, which was printed in the Annual Report. Clare highlighted the improvements in coaching resources such as the Dressage DVD, C and D Manuals and NCAS re-write and Pony Club Australia approval. The year ahead looks very positive as we continue writing resources.

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

James Fitzpatrick invited people to read his report, which was printed in the Annual Report. James outlined the performance of the organisation. The year was very positive with many major improvements such as the office move and coaching resources. The State Council provided excellent direction and we have a clear pathway for the focus on resources and consistency. Training will be the focus for the coming year and we hope that membership numbers improve through this period. James thanked the Council, sub-committees and staff for a very pleasing year.

Moved Kaye Blanchard

That the President, Coaching Director and Executive Officer Reports be accepted

Seconded Bronwyn Glenn

CARRIED

8. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

All positions were declared vacant and as there were no other nominations for the positions, the following persons were duly elected for 2008-2009.

a. President – Nominations received by due date

i. *Jan Faulkner*

b. Vice President – Nominations received by due date

i. *Philip Cobbledick*

ii. *Kammy Cordner Hunt*

9. ELECTION OF ZONE REPRESENTATIVES

All positions were declared vacant and as there were no other nominations for the positions, the following persons were duly elected for 2008-2009.

a. Nominations received by due date

i. *Barwon Zone*

–Deirdre Davey

ii. *Central Zone*

– Leonie Lang

iii. *East Gippsland Zone*

– Stephen Bragg

iv. *Midland Zone*

– Kaye Blanchard

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| v. | North Eastern Zone | – Lyn Stevens |
| vi. | Northern Zone | – Bronwyn Glenn |
| vii. | North Metropolitan Zone | – Linda Smith |
| viii. | South Metropolitan Zone | – Tony Curwen |
| ix. | Wannon Zone | – Anthea Sutherland |
| x. | West Gippsland Zone | – Vicki Kneebone |

President, Jan Faulkner, thanked the returning State Councillors and made special mention of Neil Clinton for his contribution during his time as Vice President.

10. CLOSE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.00pm

11. GUEST SPEAKER – ALISTER LING IMG

Alister Ling gave an entertaining speech on his selection and participation on the Australian Team who came second in the 2008 International Mounted Games. Alister is from Yarrambat Pony Club and he had prepared an excellent slide show.

12. DISCUSSION FORUM

James Fitzpatrick led a discussion from the floor which addressed many topics in pony club. The responses below were prompted by direct questions asked by James.

Bronwyn Bouchier NZ asked if the conference could be on a Sunday with AGM so that country participants can have greater access. NZ offered to host in 2009 in Echuca/Moama.

Kate Wilson NMZ gave a positive overview of the National Assessors Workshop. The new NCAS Coaching Scheme is being rolled out this year and assessment of coaches has been nationally standardised and the NCAS system is competency based.

Brian Copeland NMZ talked about accreditation of cross country course advisers and referred to training and mentor systems with Ewan Kellett and Mick Pineo.

John Barlee SMZ spoke of the role of Technical Delegates and their role in event planning. He thought they added a big advantage as they were responsible for many different areas.

Sue Muirhead SMZ raised the musical ride and the variation in scoring from the two judges. She suggested that perhaps a method such as the one used by EFA where, if the scores had a differential of greater than 10%, then the judges must confer.

Phil Holland SMZ followed on from last years topic of renaming the Club District Commissioner but we all agree a suitable name had not been put forward to date.

Lyn Stevens NEZ spoke on the assistance and delegation of roles in NEZ and remained positive for the coming year with good support from a new team.

Leonie Lang CZ raised the cross country heights and how pony club and EFA should standardise the heights to avoid "double building". The history of the variation in heights was discussed as the EFA moved their heights nationally.

Alister Ling NMG queried the relevance of the name "Pony Club" for it clearly did not reflect horses and was not attractive to boys.

Kate Wilson NMZ made a suggestion for the medical arm band to be colour coded with the membership card which would force riders to update the information annually.

Bronwyn Bouchier NZ congratulated Northern Zone on running the PCAV State Dressage and Showjumping Championships at Elmore as El forced the date and venue move.

Bronwyn Bouchier NZ asked if PCAV could send additional newsletters to clubs so more are available to riders.

Jan Faulkner, PCAV President, gave a breakdown on attendances at conferences which showed that the connection of high attendees was due to issues or awards and not necessarily the day or time. Jan accepted NZ offer for next years State Conference to be held on a Sunday in Echuca/Moama, subject to the State Council approval.

Jan Faulkner, PCAV President, made mention of the loss of three special members and their enormous contribution to Pony Club; Ian Wardell, Judy Francis, and Heather Crabbe and she extended our sympathies to their families.

Jan Faulkner closed the night thanking everyone for their attendance and wished them a safe trip home.