**midland zone of p.c.a.v. inc.**

**minutes of general meeting held 30th october, 2001**

**church hall, queens avenue, st arnaud.**

**Meeting started at 8.12 pm**

**Present:**

J. Lane, President; A. King, Jnr Vice President; D. Roach, Secretary C. Linton, Treasurer; K. Blanchard, Zone Representative; G. Baggendorf, Exam Secretary; A. Marshall, Zone Chief Instructor.

**Delegates** from Bealiba, Bendigo, Charlton, Donald, Harcourt, Horsham, Mandurang South, Maryborough, St. Arnaud.

**Apologies:**

S. Robinson Snr V.Pres, T. Day, S. Scoble Castlemaine P/C, C. King, M. Mulvenney, Stawell.

**Clubs not in attendance:** Ararat, Castlemaine, Hopetoun, Marong, Neangar Park, Nhill, Spring Gully, Stawell.

**Moved –– S. Pollock - that apologies be accepted.**

**2nd - F. Barnett …..carried.**

**Amendment of August minutes:**

Item 17 Correspondence Inward: Should read National Equestrian Centre

**Confirmation of August minutes:**

**Moved –– G. Baggendorf - that Minutes of 7th August be accepted.**

**2nd - B. Pearse.….carried.**

**Business arising from minutes:**

1. Change of structure of Showjumping Team Shield. Felt that change is needed. New system needs to be fair to all and reflect the effort and training required to reach higher grades. Definite options are needed to make final decision. ALL clubs to bring ideas in writing to April meeting.
2. Use of NEC for State Dressage and Showjumping 2004. Prefer to keep in Zone. Difficult to get workers to set up on Saturday. Consider option of running over two days. Cost approx $500 to hire show jumping equipment.

**Moved – K. Blanchard – Secretary to write to Northern Zone and Bendigo Agricultural**

**Society to tentatively book Bendigo and Rochestor Show Grounds and for two days.**

**2nd - A. King …..carried.**

1. Games and Flat Ride will be held over two days at Geelong 2002. Event will be held on Sunday (one day only) Queens Birthday weekend 2003. PCAV Games and Flat Committee is to recommend a venue.
2. Zone Camp to be held at Maldon, 3rd weekend in March 2002. Will require donation to Racecourse Committee. Camp Draft may run a draft activity. May also include Leeson Serrit instruction. ZCI to arrange, PCAV to pay his fee.

**Correspondence inward:**

1. Section ‘D’ – Zone Showjumping and Flat Team Event program.
2. PCAV Contact Directory 2001-2002.
3. PCAV – Speed to Safety, AGM minutes, Conference Annual Report.
4. Maryborough PC – Change of Secretary and Delegates. New Secretary **Mr Andrew Davies, PO Box 342, Maryborough 3465 ph 5461 4505**
5. Mandurang South PC – Events for 2002.
6. Neangar Park PC – Change of Gymkhana date. Should read October 21st no 28th.
7. PCAV website newsletter.
8. PCAV – Zone Official update form.
9. Laurie Jensen Saddlery catalogue.
10. Barwon Zone – AGM minutes, A,B and K weekend. Report on Council meeting July 2001 and General meeting minutes.
11. Donald PC – Events for 2002
12. Central Zone – AGM and General meeting minutes.
13. Werribee Park Equestrian Centre – Facility not available.
14. Hopetoun PC – Newsletter.
15. Horsham PC – Zone camp keen to have, but not rally day. Not in favour of meeting but will organise an activity if allotted one. Showjumping agree to more than one rider from a grade to make a team. No horse trial this year.
16. Central Zone – Minutes.
17. PCAV update, Report on Speed to Safety, Council minutes, program for State Showjumping and Dressage Championships.
18. Northern Zone – Minutes.
19. Nhill PC – Zone and Instructor School fees.
20. PCAV - $100 contribution to Speed for Safety expenses.
21. Bealiba PC – Concerns over problems with ribbons for equal placings at Zone Showjumping and Flat Ride at Maldon.
22. Horsham PC – Disappointment at not being aware of requirement of riders to qualify for Pony Club PA show jumping competition at Royal Show.
23. Maryborough PC – Requesting investigation as to why club received two accounts for show jump hire when account had been paid.
24. Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre – Facility is available and requesting confirmation of booking.
25. Midland Zone Dressage and Show Jumping Qualifying Event program.

**Correspondence Outward:**

1. Minutes to all Clubs including Zone Dinner invitation.
2. Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre – Hire of facility for 2004 Dressage and Show Jumping State Championships.
3. PCAV – Games and Flat ride at Werribee Park.
4. Peggy Mills – Outcomes of letter.
5. Ararat Prison – Extra sashes.

**Moved – P. Hedger – that Correspondence Inward be accepted and Correspondence Outward be approved.**

**2nd - B. Pearse …..carried.**

**Business arising from Correspondence:**

1. Bealiba PC – Ribbons for Best Presented. Various options such as countback, team sash and individual ribbons were discussed.

**Moved – K. Blanchard – that no team sash be awarded for Best Presented. Individual ribbons to riders with 100% score with the wording “Highly Commended”. To be trialed for 12 months.**

**2nd – F. Barnett.....carried.**

Comment was made on Presentation Scoring. There two types, safety and presentation. Horses should not be washed and where marks are deducted comments should be made on score sheet. It was also suggested that session on presentation and grooming to clean a horse be included in Zone Camp.

**Moved – K. Blanchard – that ZCI update guidelines for presentation and gear checking notes and place in Zone Books.**

**2nd – G. Baggendorf.....carried**

**TO TAKE BACK TO CLUBS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**The suggestion that a generic sash that lasts for 12 months be used for all Midland Zone events.**

**There is always a problem with equal placings and the costs involved with purchasing a small number of ribbons is excessive.**

1. Maryborough PC – Received two accounts. The sending of two accounts was due to a misunderstanding and lack of communication. For use of the wave jump board contact Clinton Hedger ph 54647204. The cost to hire is $10.

Concern was expressed with small attendance at Junior Committee meetings and the difficulty in attracting enough members for a chorum. We should be grooming juniors as future committee members and teaching all aspects of running meetings. They need a mentor to help oversee meetings and Horses Mouth newsletter. There are good junior committees at club level. Maybe need to encourage more junior participation at club level.

**Moved – A. King – that the Zone President and Zone Representative attend next Junior Committee meeting to be held during Dressage and Show Jumping Qualifier at Ararat, to discuss concerns and options on future of the Junior Committee. A letter be sent to clubs re concerns with Junior Committee.**

**2nd – C. Linton.....carried**

1. Horsham PC – Requirement of riders to qualify for Pony Club PA show jumping competition at Royal Show. Rule to be noted in Zone folder. This includes rule changes for all Zone events. Qualification requirement to be included in the 2002 entry form. The lateness in getting the program sent out was due in major part to clubs sending late entries. Only three entries were received by the due date.

**Treasurer's Report: Ms Christine Linton**

Opening Balance $2,029.13

Income 193.60

2222.73

Expenses 689.10

Balance as at 30/11/2001 $1,533.63

Balance sheet for Zone Events to be included in minutes.

To pay: K. Blanchard - $300 – phone calls and expenses, St Arnaud Pony Club $37.60 – sandwiches for Zone and DCI meetings, Aileen Marshall $70 expenses, St Johns Inter-Zone HT $100.

**Moved – A. King –– that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and accounts be paid.**

**2nd - S. Pollock …..carried.**

**Zone Representative’s Report: Mrs. Kaye Blanchard**

1. PCAV have a position in sport administration.
2. Clubs should fill out questionnaire.
3. Cost of ABK camp at Mt Duneed is now $65.00 not $85.00. PCAV have provided a $1000.00 subsidy towards cost of camp.
4. Petie Marshall is new Wannon Zone Representative.
5. Sally Corcoran from Maryborough PC 1st, Clinton Hedger Bendigo 6thand Sarah Lea Maryborough 8th in Speed for Safety.
6. Writer of PCAV history has been paid out and her services terminated.
7. Next years State Championships at Tooradin.
8. Show Jumping and Dressage at Wodonga 10th February 2002.

**Items of Interest from Council Minutes 4th September 2001**

Item No 4 “Zones to set fees for examiners”

Item No 5b “Re-joining members”

5c “PCAV badge compulsory part of uniform”

5d “Horse and rider eligibility”

5e “State Games and Flat at Geelong 2002 and change for 2003”

Item No 6 “$1000.00 subsidy for ABK weekend”

**Item No 9 “AS/NZ 3838 standard helmets”**and **“Riding boots”.**

**Item No 12 “Instructors are not permitted to ride a members horse”.**

**Zone chief instructor's report: - Mrs. Aileen Marshall**

This year has gone so fast and seems even worse when tonight I am going to talk about next year.

We have set our dates for next years instruction courses. The first is the 3rd weekend in March. We are hoping will be at Maldon as a weekend camp. There is a possibility that the Camp Drafters from Maldon will organise a fun afternoon for the riders and also Leeson Serritt on course building.

I will be in touch with each club to ask for some help and input into this weekend. We need to set a price for this.

Last week I went to a CIP meeting in Melbourne, some of the items to come out of this were:

1. Three show jumping course building days next year. Possible venues are Maldon, Tatura and Tonimbuk.
2. A show jumping instruction day with Alan Mitchell at Werribee and NCAS instruction day with Brian Schrapel, 3rd weekend in May.

To help with ‘K’ certificates, each year two clubs in the Zone organise the running of a 40km ride and invite any rider in the Zone to come. I think this is a great idea as it tajes a lot of organising if a club has only 1 or 2 riders. I would like delegates to take this idea back to clubs to see we may be able to adopt this in our Zone.

The ABK weekend hopefully cost $65.00 instead of $85.00 as PCAV have offered to subsidise $20.00, hopefully April 21st and 22nd.

Clare Lewin and Sally Francis are working on a Disability Exception form.

All NCA instructors please be aware that once your insurance becomes due it will not be renewed. So if you teach outside PC you will have to take out separate insurance.

State will be holding four Comfort and Safety Clinics possibly at Ballarat.

CIP meetings March 16th, June 15th and Oct 26th.

**Zone Examining Secretary's Report: Mrs Gail Baggendorf**

Five candidates from Mandurang South to be examined for "C" Certificate on 3rd November 2001.

Six candidates from Maldon to be examined for "C" Certificate on 24th November 2001.

Dates for Ararat and Maryborough have to be set.

**General Business:**

1. Riders that place individually in State Qualifiers to receive a place ribbon. Riders who go on to ride at State Event to be presented with cap.

**Moved – K. Blanchard – that ribbons to sixth place be presented on the day for individual placings. Caps presented to team members at State event.**

**2nd – F. Barnett…..carried.**

1. Zone Calendar to be published with dates as received. If any dates clash with a Zone event, club must change date.
2. Peggy Mills spoke on a proposal by West Gippsland Zone last year that would have allowed riders irrespective of age to ride in long boots or gaiters when competing in Gr1 and Gr2 dressage or PA and PB show jumping.

**Moved – A. King – that the Zone to write all Zone Secretaries on this proposal and include a SAE for replies.**

**2nd – P. Mills…..carried.**

1. Rules on colour of jodhpurs is causing concern. Faded material has been classed as white and some riders have been asked to change. Zone Representative to discuss issue at next PCAV Council meeting.
2. Horses Mouth newsletter.

**Moved – K. Blanchard – that the Horses Mouth be proof read by Angela King prior to circulation.**

**2nd – G. Baggendorf…..carried.**

1. There are still outstanding $50.00 Zone fees and Instructor School fees. Fees are to be paid July 1st to 31st. The following clubs owe for Zone fees: Castlemaine, Harcourt and Maldon. The following clubs owe for Zone Instructors Schools: Castlemaine $40, Harcourt $40, Maldon $20 and Marong $40.

**Note: Riders from these clubs are ineligible to compete at Zone events until all fees are paid.**

Meeting closed at 11.20 pm

**All Cub Secretaries Please Note**

**New address for Zone Secretary.**

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