**MIDLAND ZONE OF PCAV. Inc.**

**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD MARCH 3RD, 2005**

**CHURCH HALL, QUEENS AVE. ST. ARNAUD.**

Meeting started at 8.00pm

PRESENT; John Lane, Zone President, Chris Linton, Zone Treasure,

Kay Blanchard, Zone Rep. Peggy Mills, acting Secretary, Aileen Marshall, Zone chief instructor.

DELEGATES FROM, Ararat, Bendigo, Donald, Bealiba, Harcourt, Maldon. And Rani Lane.

CLUBS NOT IN ATTENDANCE; Castlemaine, Charlton, Horsham, Newstead, Maryborough,Mandurang South, Nhill, Neangar Park, Stawell, Spring Gully. Hopetoun.

APOLOGIES; Don Roach, Angela King, Gail Baggendorf, Gordon Chalmers, Carol Elliott.

Moved; John Stevens,

Seconded; Aileen Marshall.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

To be added to attendances; Aileen Marshall Zone chief instructor;

And delegates from Charlton and Hopetoun.

In Treasurers report add Kaye Blanchard $100.00

With additions;

Moved Kaye Blanchard, Seconded Faye Barnett.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES;**

1. Questionnaire to be held over till next meeting as only 6 clubs responded and a few clubs haven’t held meetings yet.

Moved Kaye Blanchard, Seconded John Stevens

1. Maryborough to Host Zone horse trials instead of Charlton.
2. Trade stands are covered by insurance.

**CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS;**

1. PCAV application for access to new website
2. PCAV working with children Bill
3. PCAV Making a Difference
4. PCAV Risk Management
5. PCAV Flat teams and Musical Rides 2005
6. PCAV Day attendance application
7. PCAV Club Office Bearers Update Form
8. PCAV Award of Merit
9. PCAV Pro-rate membership Form
10. PCAV Police checks
11. Justice Department – response to Childrens Bill
12. East Gippsland Zone State HT Entry Form
13. Castlemaine PC,Change of Secretary, acting is Club President Richard Johnson
14. Maryborough PC Change of DC now Gail Baggendorf
15. Central Zone Minutes
16. Northern Zone Minutes
17. Carol Elliott – Zone PB Show Jumping Team Report from State Championships
18. CORE – Order for Ribbons for April Zone Events (x 2)
19. Office Bearers – Bealiba Pony Club
20. Thank you card from the Lane family for Rani

**CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS;**

1. Justice Department – concern at Childrens Bill
2. Zone Treasurer – invoices for printer ribbon and State caps
3. Get Well card to Kirsty Hutchinson of Bealiba
4. Zone minutes
5. Zone Calendar
6. Zone Camp entry form
7. Zone Questionnaire re change of ribbons for State Qualifier
8. Zone club contacts
9. Zone Flat and Showjumping Shield Entry Form
10. Zone HT Entry Form
11. Zone Clubs – HT Cross Country Accreditation Form
12. Castlemaine PC Change of Club colour \*\*\*\***No confirmation from Castlemaine PC as to colour of Sash**
13. CORE Ribbons for April Zone Events (x 2)

Moved ; correspondence inwards and outwards

John Stevens, Seconded Debbie Weir.

**TREASURERS REPORT**; Ms Christine Linton

* OPENING BALANCE; $1793-32
* INCOME 531-00
* EXPENSES 1375-41
* CLOSING BALANCE $948-91

Moved that accounts be paid; Aileen Marshall Seconded Beryl Pearse.

**ZONE REPS REPORT; Kaye Blanchard.**

From PCAV Minutes;

1. State Games Champs; date voted on and lost – 6 zones against.. We will review the date in November after the October event.
2. Leaving age. 65% of clubs that voted were in favour of raising the age.
3. Membership fee is $60.00
4. Sponsorship – Saddleworld give rugs for all State Events
5. Ridley – Barastoc are giving $5,000-00 for Training in Zones.
6. Police checks on hold, until Parliament make a decision on Volunteers working with Children Bill – cost $100-00 per person
7. Maximum spread for PD Showjumping be 75cm
8. No point system
9. Directions for fence judges on website
10. Card checks
11. Werribee Park is DOG FREE and shavings to be used for bedding in stables not straw.

Met at Mandurang South Pony Club on 4/2/05 with James Fitzpatrick CEO of PCAV and Bendigo Council and Dep. Of E & S. It is a real issue with clubs using Crown Land so it is important that Clubs take extreme care to look after the environment, waterways and native trees and grasses. And then you have a hope of working things out with D.I.P.

Attended a meeting in Castlemaine.

I had to make an apology for the State showjumping and Dressage Champs, the first one I have missed in 25 years, but I received all good reports. Congratulations to all the riders who represented Midland Zone so well, the C Grade showjumping Team came 5th.

Elizabeth Dridan from Maryborough Pony Club has been selected to attend the National Pony Club Championships to be held at Brigadoon, Perth W.A. in July.

Well-done and good luck to Elizabeth.

Congratulations to Jess Mills for winning the Young Rider Showjumping Challenge at Dressage and Jumping with the Stars at Werribee Park in November. In winning the final of this prestigious event, Jess has won a trip for a month to Holland to the stables of Jan Topps, one of the world’s greatest showjumping riders and trainers.

**Moved Beryl Pearse,**

**Seconded John Stevens, that a letter be written to Jess congratulating her on her big** **win.**

There was a fatality recently, involving a 7yr. Old child leading a pony. It was a real wake up call about our safety and horsemastership.

**Please teach children to lead and tie-up properly, with ropes.**

Zone Camp – numbers were great and I believe a good time was had by all.

WELL DONE TO AILEEN.

**CHIEF INTRUCTORS REPORT - Aileen Marshall**

CIP Meeting – only 2 arrived, but we have a joint meeting in Werribee on the 12th.

Any judges judging rider classes for Pony Club at Shows etc. Please note

**YOU MUST NOT ASK RIDERS TO TAKE THEIR FEET OUT OF STIRRUPS.**

Council to pay for Police check for unpaid instructors.

ZONE CAMP – MALDON

70 riders, a good weekend. Thankyou to Maldon for looking after the instructors so well.

Also thank you to all the instructors, parents etc. who helped over the weekend.

Thankyou to the few Clubs that did send in or acknowledge the closing date for the Camp!!!!

**ZONE EXAMINERS REPORT; Gail Baggendorf**

Gail absent. There are quite a few C Certificates on the go.

**GENERAL BUSINESS;**

1. A thank you from John Lane on behalf of Rani for all the get well messages. They were all very much appreciated. Rani has come along way and is much better, but still has a way to go.
2. CHANGE OF DATE FOR HARCOURT PC INTER-SCHOOLS ONE DAY EVENT TO BE HELD AT WERRIBEE PARK, NOW THE 8th. And 9th. JULY, 2005.
3. A thankyou from Maldon Pony Club to Aileen for doing a fantastic job with organizing the Camp

Meeting Closed at 9.20pm.

**NEXT ZONE MEETING, Tuesday, 17th. May, 2005.**