

MIDLAND ZONE OF PCAV. INC.
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD JUNE 3RD 2008
HIGHLAND SOCIETY ROOMS, HIGH ST, MARYBOROUGH.

Meeting Started at 8.05 pm

Chair, John Stevens opened the meeting and thanked every body for attending. He was also pleased to announce that at the recent opening of the new Maryborough club rooms, Christine Linton and Gail Baggendorf were awarded with Life Memberships for services to Maryborough Pony Club.

PRESENT: John Stevens, Zone President, Christine Linton, Zone Treasurer, Kaye Blanchard Zone Representative and Don Roach, Zone Secretary.

DELEGATES from Ararat, Bealiba, Bendigo, Castlemaine, Charlton, Maldon, Mandurang South, Maryborough, Newstead and St Arnaud.

CLUBS NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Beaufort, Donald, Harcourt, Horsham Neangar Park, Nhill, Spring Gully and Stawell.

APOLOGIES: K. Croser, ZCI, Beryl Pearse, Faye Barnett and Neangar Park.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Moved – D. Harvey that the Minutes of the March 25th 2008 be accepted.
2nd - D. Weir carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Donald were in attendance at our March meeting, not an apology as recorded.

CORRESPONDENCE INWARD:

- Bendigo PC – Club Executive
- Castlemaine Prison CORE - Extra ribbons order for Zone Games and Zone HT = placings
- Copy of Grant Application for Uniforms. Debbie Weir
- DPI - \$1117 for cancellation of Zone event due to EI
- Mandurang South PC - Club Executive
- Maryborough PC - Club Executive
- Nengar Park PC - Club Executive
- Nhill PC – Club Executive
- Northern Zone – State Rider Entry fee
- Northern Zone - Zone Minutes.
- PCAV - “C” Certificate information
- PCAV – Award of Merit Nomination Form
- PCAV – Club Officials Update Form
- PCAV – Making A Difference
- PCAV – Strength Return forms
- Peter Smith – Information on updated “C” certificate DVD
- Spring Gully PC – Club Executive
- St Arnaud PC - Club Executive

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARD:

- Bealiba PC – Thankyou for donation of Zone Musical Ride Team Shield
- Castlemaine Prison CORE - Extra ribbons order for Zone Games and Zone HT = placings
- Condolence card to Betty Thompson. Wife of Past Zone President
- State Games and Flat Championships Entry Form

- Zone Annual Fees account
- Zone minutes
- Zone Qualifier Entry for State Games and Flat Championships

**Moved - D. Harvey -- that correspondence as read be accepted.
2nd - C. Linton carried.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

CHRISTINE LINTON

Opening Balance	1307.03		
Income		Expenses	
Zone Uniforms	2647	Zone Uniforms	3280
Inter-Zone HT Entry Fees	1640	Secretarial Expenses	3.75
Games and Flat Qualifiers	1050	St Arnaud PC	106.80
Dry Cleaning	90	Zone Representative Expenses	200
Raffle	105.90	Sashes	858.18
Grant DPI	1117	Dry Cleaning	90
Interest (Term Deposit)	699.42	Zone Teams	1640
Half State Entry Fees	586.50	State Games	1035
		Fees	9.60
Total Income	7935.82	Total Expenses	7223.33
		Closing Balance	2019.52

Accounts For Payment

Sue Robinson	50
Highland Society	60
Kaye Blanchard	115
Ken Croser	160
Grant DPI	1117
Interest (Term Deposit)	699.42
Half State Entry Fees	586.50

Breakdown of Profit/Loss for Zone Games and Flat Qualifiers at Bealiba

<u>Income</u>	
Zone Entries	1050
Half Entry Fees for State	586.50
Raffle	105.90
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>1742.40</u>
<u>Expenses</u>	
Sashes	370.10
Judge	50
State Entry Fees	1035
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>1455.10</u>
<u>Profit</u>	<u>287.30</u>

Christine commented that at the last meeting, approval was given to draw on the Zone investment to cover expenses of paying half State entry fees for Dressage and Show Jumping and Games and Flat. As the interest from our Term Deposit covered the amount, this was transferred to working account instead.

**Moved - C. Linton -- that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and accounts be paid.
2nd - D. Harvey carried.**

ZONE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

KAYE BLANCHARD

Since our last Zone meeting and the lifting of EI restrictions pony club has been full on.

On March 30th at the Elmore Event Centre, Northern Zone hosted the State Dressage and Show Jumping Championships. Midland Zone had riders in both Dressage and Show Jumping in all girl levels. The weather was great and our riders looked terrific in their new Zone Uniforms. The "PC" grade show jumping team with three boys and one girl finished fourth, Well Done.

On 6th April our Zone Horse Trials were combined with the Maryborough HT. The day went well and the new Maryborough club rooms are looking great. Congratulations to Maryborough on winning the Zone Shield.

On 20th April our Zone Games, Flat and Musical ride were held at Bealiba. They did a great job with their grounds. and the games equipment. Lots of comments that it could be there anytime. This time it was supposed to be in Section "C", so a great job, Bealiba. Congratulations to Bealiba who won the flat, musical and games events. Also on the day we had three games teams "Not To Score". Thanks to Faye Barnett as all these riders received a bag of lollies, so perhaps the Zone could look at making ribbons available for these teams.

Our zone has three flat, musical and games teams going to State Championships. Good luck and have heaps of fun.

The State Horse Trials for Grades 1 and 2 were held at Yerringberg in the Northern Metro Zone. We had two riders in grade 1 and fourteen in grade 2, including Maryborough with a club team who finished 9th.

Morgan Marshall from Bendigo finished 6th in grade 2 section 1. Next year it is our turn to host the

State HT at “Gold Fields” in Goornong.

On 10th and 11th of May the Inter-Zone Challenge was held at Werribee. We had three grade 3 teams and 2 grade 4. It was a first at Werribee for some of our team members.

18th May was Maldon HT which after a year off did a great job and supplied some rain.

Items from State Council Meeting on 15th April.

- 4.3 Council is looking for people interested in becoming State Event Advisors (SEA). State events to run smoothly, If you would like to help please let me know.
- 4.8 West Gippsland Zone conducted their qualifiers over a series of competition days. Would our zone like to do the same ?
- 4.9 Don and myself are going to do a scoring presentation at the next Council meeting on using a points scoring system.
- 4.10 That eligible combinations may compete in one or both show jumping and/or dressage competitions on multiple mounts where there is sufficient entries to make up a team. - One combination may not compete in both disciplines.
 - ❖ Riders with eligible qualified mounts may compete in both show jumping and dressage competitions.
- 10.7 Next year’s State Dressage and Show Jumping Championships will be held at Werribee.
- 10.8 Next year’s Horse Trials Championships will be held at “Gold Fields” in Goornong.
- 11.2 State AGM will be held at Mulgrave Country Club.
- 11.3 Gear rule 10.13 – Back Number, we need to move to let the organizing committee to have the right to stipulate.
- 11.5 I have sent a sympathy card to Heather Crabb family on behalf of the Zone.
- Page 15. New events for clubs to run. Supercross, equathon, etc.
- Polocrosse State Championships at Ballarat on 4th-5th October 2008.

ZONE CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT:

KEN CROSER

No report

ZONE EXAMINING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

GAIL BAGGENDORF

Eleven riders passed the “C” certificate practical exam in March.

Maldon 3 riders

Bealiba 1 rider

Neangar Park 2 riders

Beaufort 5 riders

The riders were as usual very well behaved and reasonably well prepared. A reminder to clubs to try and cover all aspects of the syllabus for the practical (riding) section.

There were some areas not covered by some of the riders, particularly in the Horse Mastership phase with signs and symptoms of colic and founder. Not enough to worry about not passing, but all aspects are very important to ensure that the riders can care properly for their horses. The horses’s life may well depend on them having a well rounded knowledge of the theory and horsemastership sections of the ”C” certificate standard.

Thankyou to Maldon for hosting the event and to Aileen Marshal, Julie Robins, Nicki Chalmers and Simon Roach for examining the candidates.

Could all clubs keep in mind the dates for the next round of examinations.

The August Examinations will be conducted from the new PCAV worksheets.Import Dates for "C" Certificate candidates.

AUGUST	2-3	Theory examination (venue to be arranged)
	17	Riding examination (venue to be arranged)

ZONE EVENT SECRETARY'S REPORT: **FAYE BARNETT**
No report.

GENERAL BUSINESS:
State Horse Trials.

- Will be hosted by Midland Zone on 2-3 May 2009.
- Will be held at "Gold Fields" Goornong.
- Approx 200 riders will compete in grade 1 and grade 2.
- Sub-Committee will be organizing the event with lots of help from all clubs to set up and run the event.
- We require all clubs to provide the following.
 - Five fresh painted jump rails – 3.6m x 90mm OR
 - Fresh painted dazzle boards OR
 - Fresh painted brick wall for show jump infill AND
 - Ten plants in 25 cm pots for use as fill around show jumping course. Something hardy and easy to grow.
 - Clubs to forward a sketch of jumps with colour schemes to Zone Secretary. Need to ensure variety and type.
- If clubs and/or members have any ideas with helping, please call the Zone President, John Stevens.
- Clubs should not hold rallies on this weekend.

Moved - D. Harvey -- that no club in Midland Zone can hold a rally on 2nd and 3rd May 2009 on their grounds. The only rally that may be held on 2nd and 3rd May 2009 is an un-mounted rally at the State Horse Trial Championships..

2nd - S. Foley carried.

Dates for Zone Events in April 2009.

- Due to the commitment required to host the State HT Championships we need to consider dates for the Zone HT and Game and Flat State Qualifiers.
- Discussion on various options in March through to May..
- Need to go back to 4th Sunday for the following Games and Flat in 2010.

Moved - K. Blanchard-- that the date for the Zone Horse Trail and Games and Flat Qualifiers be held on 29th March 2009 and 17th May 2009 respectively.

2nd - C Linton carried.

Zone Instructors School.

A reminder for all instructors.

- To be held 12th and 13th July at Horsham.
- Instructors can be mounted.
- Includes a Dressage Judges School
- Gear checking etc.

Working With Children

- Refer to PCAV magazine for information
- Application form can be obtained from local Post Office, including ID photo.
- Cost is \$72

Dressage and Show Jumping Qualifiers

Kaye spoke on a letter from West Gippsland Zone about the merits of holding selection trials over the year to select riders for State.

- Number of competitions held
- Difficult to get spread of competitions across the Zone.
- Would give riders a greater opportunity to qualify.
- How would team and individual selection be done.
- Who make up the selection panel.

Given the time of year it was felt that we should hold our qualifiers as normal this year and make it an item of business for our zone meeting in October.

State Dressage and Show Jumping Team Eligibility

John spoke on the current by-law D.3.5 which and the grade requirements for team eligibility.

Why not allow a team of four to be made up of one grade 1 rider and 1 grade 2 rider with remaining riders from either grade.

This proposal would offer some flexibility to allow clubs which do not have the depth to meet the present rule enter a team.

Moved - S. Foley-- The recommendation is that rule D.3.5 in the Horse Trials Rule Book be altered to read the following:- *Club teams - teams will consist of 4 riders comprised of one grade 1 and one grade 2 rider with the remainder from either grade. Teams of three will be acceptable, but they too must consist of one grade 1 and one grade 2 rider with the remaining rider from either grade.*

2nd - F. Turner carried.

Other Business.

- Discussion was held on the merits of giving riders in ineligible teams competing in the Zone Games Qualifiers a small reward.
 - ❖ Should we be giving rewards of this type.
 - ❖ Is it up to the Zone or club to organize.
 - ❖ As no motion was forthcoming the meeting decided to leave the decision to the organizing section.
- Comment was made that a rider from Mandurang South had difficulty in understanding what was happening and did not know the team manager. Kaye made a note of the comments and will look at improving for next year.

Meeting closed at 9:30 pm

Next Zone Meeting :- 29th July 2008.

To be held at St Arnaud. Venue to be arranged

Chairman

Date