

Midland Zone Delegates AGENDA – JUNE 2022

Date:	14 th June 2022	Venue:	Online - zoom	Meeting open:	7.30pm
Attendance	Ararat: Helen Spencer, Jill Marshall	Bealiba: Faye Barnett, Caroline Stephenson			
	Beaufort: Bronwyn Cuthbertson	Bendigo:			
	Castlemaine:	Charlton:			
	Donald: Jill McEwan	Harcourt:			
	Horsham: Kylie Fiedler, Emelia Sudholz, Kelli Dickenson, Amana Rudolph, Jo Lane, Kylie Janetski	Learmonth: Emma LeGrand, Dave Sheludko			
	Loddon:	Maldon: Trista Hoyland, Nicki Chalmers			
	Mandurang Sth: Donna Stebbins	Maryborough: Linda Gerring			
	Neangar Park:	Stawell: Narelle O'Callaghan, Sue Tyrell			
	St Arnaud: Katrina Cheeseman	Zone : Sue Foley			
Apologies :	Kira Chalmers – Maldon PC Motion 2022.06.01 That the apologies be accepted. Moved: BCuthbertson Seconded: SFoley				
Item	Action/Discussion	Outcome			
1. Confirmation of Previous Minutes	* change max number attending Team Championship to 160 riders Motion 2022.06.02 That the previous minutes be accepted as true and correct.	Moved: Narelle O'Callaghan Seconded: Jo Lane			
2. Business Arising	2.1 Creation of team 4 rides – 4 to be available on MZ website for clubs to access. NChalmers & LGerring to review rides. JLane & Horsham riders to trial.	Any clubs/members with resources please share with Nicki or Linda.			
	2.2 MZ Xcountry course support Motion 2022.04.02 That the MZ approve \$1000 for each of the 3 clubs (Charlton/Maryborough/ Maldon) toward redesigning existing Gd1 Xcountry jumps to meet new PCV standards.	Maldon PC has submitted Xcountry course accreditation request. Invoices submitted to MZ treasurer. \$1000 not yet paid. Motion 2022.06.03: Addition to motion 2022.04.03 – at the discretion of the MZ executive Moved: NChalmers Seconded; SFoley			
	2.3 Discussion from 2022 MZ games preparation - ? MZ to establish basic games equipment.				
3. Correspondence In					
MZ Clubs	Bendigo PC club officials update	Nominated DC – Maree Campbell			
	Neangar Park PC – jumps trailer no longer available				
	Neangar Park PC club officials update	Nominated DC – Lisa Horton			
	Maldon PC – xcountry course accreditation plan				
PCV	State GMFP entry forms and schedule	Shared with Jill Marshall & Faye Barnett			
	Club development day – Berwick PC				
	Minimum medical standards – Vic providers				
	Award of merit nominations				
	Club development opportunities – Toongabbie/Emu Creek/Berwick,				
	JustGo trial upgrade to essential for MZ				
	Development days and reminders – upcoming dates	MZ – NOVEMBER 26-27			
	State Horse Trials – last chance for entries				
	Inactive clubs list update	Confirmed Huntly-Spring Gully inactive			

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PCA	Newsletter – June	
	Transfer request for Clinton Hedger – from Vic/East Midland	
	JustGo drop in session – 9 th June	
	Hygain Pony Club Promotion	
	Newsletter – May	
Others	Sandhurst stockfeed – statement	
	Vic Gov – round 7 shade grants	
4. Correspondence Out		
	Ambulance Victoria – public event booking form	SFoley is finding sourcing providers difficult and difficulties in provider limitations. Expressed concern the future of regional completion and inability to source suitable medical coverage.
	MZ ride to time program/entries to MZ clubs	
	Cross country course register request to MZ clubs	
	Round 7 Shade grants to MZ clubs	LeamonthPC has applied for portable marquee x 2
	MZ Calendar update	
	PCA medical standards for competition & rallies	Motion 2022.06.04: That the correspondence be accepted Moved: BCuthbertson Seconded: NChalmers
5. Reports		
	Action/Discussion	Outcome
5.1 Treasurer	Not present. Current bank balance - \$28,050.24	Moved: Seconded:
5.2 Zone Rep	Report presented – appendix 1	Moved: SFoley Seconded: NChalmers
5.3 Zone Chief Instructor	No report presented	Moved: Seconded:
5.4 Zone Examining Secretary	Updated MZ certificate nomination form on website. Report read – appendix 2	Moved: NChalmers Seconded: THoyland
6. Zone Events:		
	Action/Discussion	Outcome
6.1 Zone G/F/M/P State Qualifiers	Section B – 24 th April. @ Charlton with support from Loddon	Comments on running of the day – late to start, stewards needed to manage the teams to support smooth flowing day, many new riders & team managers with little knowledge, pole colours not visible – needed to be white, games stewards/judge did not appear well informed of games rules, multiple falls – rider ability low, horses/riders not experienced in games. Future planning – encourage DC's to do more games training at rallies. JMarshall to create event planning document to support clubs, briefing document to be created, skills training for club DC's, MZ to promote 'game of the month' with supportive information for rider/horse training. NOCallaghan has "games folder".
6.2 Zone HT State Qualifiers	Section D	Postponed. Date and Venue to be changed. NChalmers looking into

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		Maldon grounds availability 8-9 October. Course has been updated. Will need to be reflagged and numbered for comp.
6.3 MZ Ride to Time Qualifiers	July 24 th @ Donald Racecourse	
6.4 Zone Flat Team & SJ MZ shield	Section C – August 21 @ ? Mandurang Sth	Issues with Mandurang Sth reserve access. NChalmers & DStebbins working on this. Team 4 ride – Fbarnett has sourced rides from 2004-2006 or use same ride as Team 4 (GMF) however, this is a more difficult ride, MZ Shield Team4 rides generally easier ride. ACTION: NChalmers & LGerring to confirm Team 4 ride to be used within next week. – To be posted on MZ website
6.5 Zone Dress & SJ State Qualifiers	Section A – December 10-11 @ Horsham	Horsham progressing well with organisation.
6.6 Zone AGM	Section B – scheduled for August 19 th	St Arnaud confirmed as host. KCheeseman to confirm venue.
7. General Business:	Action/Discussion	Outcome
7.1 Section C – 2 MZ events	HT (2022 & 2023 swap) & Flat Shield – Nchalmers happy to coordinate both.	Unknown club currently holding the flat Shield. Bealiba noted that Shield not presented in 2021. ACTION – Secretary to see if records identify 2019 winner and if currently holding Shield
7.2 Minimum medical standards	PCV collating xcountry courses	
7.3 New rules – vest concern	Safety vests for Xcountry competition all grades. Concern re cost.	Greg Charles (VIPA vests) has been visiting clubs to promote VIPA 3 vests and fit correctly. Suggestion that clubs look at 'library' club purchases range of vest sizes for riders to use. Keep eye out for uniform/safety grants. Encourage clubs to apply.
7.4 PCA pony racing	Concern expressed re lack of standards, proof of competency.	ACTION: letter of concern to PCA – Faye Barnett (Bealiba) to detail
7.5 Around the clubs	Ararat: R2R members increasing Bealiba: busy – teams to state in Musical Team4 & Games. Increased interest in R2R membership. Clinic coming up. Looking to have teams for august zone shield. Beaufort – working on updating Xcountry training course with grant from Pyrenees Shire. Donald – Ride to time at racecourse. Club not required in organisation roles – MZ offer to run BBQ lunch, MZ to provide food.	

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	<p>Horsham – archer at last rally a hit. D jackpot & CT 14th Aug. SJ comp 18th Sept.</p> <p>Learmonth – R2R high membership. Shade grant application. Using Indoor arena during winter. Xcountry vests and rider development concerns – costs a hard sell to parents of junior riders.</p> <p>Maldon – HT this weekend</p> <p>Mandurang Sth – HT in July. Members amazing effort at State. AGM august planning – Dstebbins to step down as DC.</p> <p>Maryborough – HT a few weeks ago. Thanks SFoley & PMills for help. Future plan – HT Gd6-5 later this year. Increased entries would be ideal if PCA could raise fence height to above 600mm H to include Gd 4 before event medical standards increase as will not be able to meet minimum medical standards for above 600mmH. Membership flourishing for R2R and Adult. Currently low competing membership, PC appears to be focus on fun, friends & education.</p> <p>Neangar Park – younger membership, freshmands SJ 25th June, SJ & Novelties 26th June.</p> <p>Stawell – lost of interest in use of Xcountry course. May rally cancelled due to extreme weather. Ongoing challenges with coach registration.</p> <p>St Arnaud – Winter Gymkhana 17th July. Low numbers of Volunteers.</p>	
Next Meeting:	AGM – Friday August 19th – St Arnaud	Meeting Close: 2100

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APPENDIX 1 Zone Reps report May/June 2022

Hello All,

Firstly a huge thank you to MZ event secretary Jill Marshall who was thrown in the deep end in this role and has done amazing job, learning the ropes very quickly, always with a smile and a great attitude. This was very evident at the MZ qualifiers for the 2022 PCV State Games Flat and Musical Championships held at Charlton at the end of April. Thank you to Charlton PC for the use of the grounds and to the members of section B who did a great job setting up. Loddon PC kept everyone well fed all day. Best of luck to our teams We have 2 games teams made up of a Bealiba team and a composite team, also a flat team , a musical ride team and a pairs team, all from Bealiba. Congratulations to Bealiba DC Faye Barnett who always does an amazing job encouraging, supporting and coordinating her riders for this event.

I ended my April report by saying that I was looking forward to supporting the Midland Zone riders at the 2022 State Horse Trials Festival at Mansfield on the weekend of May 14th and 15th. What a wonderful weekend it turned out to be! Ours is one of the minor zones in PCV when it comes to total member numbers. At Mansfield our riders excelled in terms of rider talent, team and club spirit and Zone camaraderie and pride at the event

The Midland Zone had 17 combinations entered across the grades which was a wonderful representation of our clubs and our riders. A fantastic weekend was enjoyed by all the MZ riders and their support crews who attended and the results achieved by our riders were sensational..

Congratulations to the Mandurang Sth Superstars Jasmyn Beesley, Prudence Robinson and Teaghan Stebbins on winning the John Barlee Perpetual Shield and to the Mighty Midland composite club team of Mackenzie Downing, Anna Sudholz, Ingrid Gould and Iris Sudholz who placed second. Such an amazing achievement!

Jasmyn Beesley , Mandurang Sth PC , had outstanding and well deserved results at the event winning the grade I competition and the Best Performed OTT on her talented mare Ella Azure , she also won the grade 2 competition on Jazdan Spellbound

Maldon PC member Mackenzie Downing and her brave horse Wiloak Rockafella did a fantastic job in the 1.10m class placing 2nd .

Ingrid Gould riding Treasured Image in grade 2 rode really well and placed 5th overall.

Maddy Jackson and Grace Christiansen from Bealiba PC rode brilliantly to secure 6th place in grade 4 Interzones in a composite team with 2 riders from Barwon Zone.

Team Midland Magic placed 3rd in the grade 5 InterZone competition. Shayla Lister , Maldon PC rode 2 horses in the team that also included Alice Hogan , Maldon PC and Zeva Missen , Bealiba PC

The Midland Zone Ride to Time Qualifiers 2022 will be held at the Donald Racing club, 990 Jeffcott Rd, Donald on Sunday, July 24th

Thank you to the Committee of the Donald Racing Club for the use of the track.

Two qualifying events will be held on the day to determine who will represent Midland Zone in each section at the PCV State Final to be held at Moonee Valley Racecourse on September 3rd 2022. The entry form and details are available on the Zone website. Thank you to MZ junior President Donna Stebbins for taking entries and for running the qualifiers

Entries close Wednesday, July 20th

Please note the body protector compliance advice on the entry form for all participants as per the PCA gear rules.

I have been sharing some of the rule changes on the MZ FB page but the only way to familiarise yourself with the rules and the format is to spend some time reading them and discussing them at club level.

The Midland Zone request to the PCV board to grant adult riding PC members the full benefits of belonging to pony club by approving them compete in pony club classes at competition.

State Council discussed this at the May meeting and voted in favour of suggesting to the Board that for Grades 4 to 6 separate classes be offered for junior riders and then a class for senior and adult riders.

SC is working on submitting a case to put to the Board seeking to revert the PCV membership year back to the financial year.

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Nothing further has been done towards finalising an ongoing rotational system for the hosting by the Zones of State events. Balnarring PC is the venue for the 2023 State HT.

SC is still discussing separating the show jumping and dressage State Championships into two separate events with a full weekend of competition for both

A list of medical providers was circulated to all clubs to help support clubs in sourcing the PCA mandated medical compliance at pony club events. Not all providers can fulfil the requirements. State council is seeking Board direction on what they are required to do at this point in time. What are the implications should the guidelines not be followed?

A guide to pro rata membership discounts for clubs was sent to clubs as a percentage. I have converted it to a dollar figure

category	12 months \$ (to 31/12/22)	Pro rata 6 months % (1/7/22 – 31/12/22)	Pro rata 6 months \$ (1/7/22 – 31/12/22)
Junior	\$160	75 % of full fees	\$120
Senior	\$175	75 % of full fees	\$131.25
Adult	\$175	75 % of full fees	\$131.25
Riders without horses	\$160	75 % of full fees	\$120
Ready to Ride	\$84	100% of full fees	\$84 (no change)

As clubs are approaching the time when they will hold their AGM's I would like to take the opportunity to thank all out going club committee members and congratulate the incoming committees and also thank them for their commitment to their club and the members.

The members of the Zone executive are available to help with any questions regarding club governance.

We are only a phone call or an email away. Zone contacts are on the MZ website.

Stay warm and happy horsing!

Sue Foley

APPENDIX 2 Midland Zone Examining Secretary

The May round of C certificate ridden examinations were held on May 28th at Bealiba.

We initially had 10 nominees plus 2 coming to complete supps from previous rounds. However, due to various reasons we ended up with only 3 candidates and 1 supp attending on the day. 3 candidates passed all the requirements with one needing to complete a supp. We had a further two candidates assessed privately outside the assessment day due to extenuating circumstances, who were both successful.

As we originally had so many nominations, to keep the time manageable on the ridden day I again had candidates complete and submit the groundwork components via video which was again successful.

Thank you to Trista Hoyland for assessing the candidates, as well as Kira chalmers for keeping the date free despite having to cancel two of the examiners at the last minute due to

Candidates canceling. And thanks to Bealiba for accommodating the exams.

I reminder to clubs, that riders must have completed their D star prior to nominating, as this is the pre-requisite standard, and this needs to be uploaded onto the riders profile on JustGo. If anyone needs assistance with this, please don't hesitate to ask. There are also regular JustGo drop in sessions available to get assistance.

If a rider is unable to attend or complete any part of their c certificate, please ensure you let me know at the earliest time possible as this is important to the venue and number of assessors required to be booked.

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Midland Zone is divided into four sections (A, B, C, D). Each section holds one zone event per year on a rotating basis. The calendar rotation also includes the MZ AGM dinner and MZ Workshops.

Midland Zone Sections				
A	B	C	D	
Ararat Beaufort Horsham Learmonth Stawell	Charlton Donald Loddon St Arnaud	Bendigo Maldon Mandurang South Neangar Park	Bealiba Castlemaine Harcourt Maryborough	
	2022	2023	2024	2025
Midland Zone Horse Trials	C *	D *	B	A
Midland Zone Dressage & SJ Qualifiers	A	B	D	C
Midland Zone Games, Flat Musical & Pairs	B	A	C	D
Midland Zone SJ & Flat Team	C	D	A	B
Midland Zone AGM	B	D	A	C
Midland Zone Coaches Workshop	D	A	C	B
NCAS Training & Assessment Weekend	C	B	D	A

- Section swap in 2022