

Midland Zone Delegates Meeting AGENDA 13 June 2023

Date: 13 June 2023	Venue:	Online
Meeting Open	7.32pm	
Attendance	Ararat: Helen Spencer, Jill Marshall	Bealiba: Debbie Weir, Carolyn Stephenson, Julie Gould,
	Beaufort: Bronwyn Cuthbertson	Bendigo: Susan Harvey
	Castlemaine:	Charlton:
	Donald:	Harcourt: Peggy Mills
	Horsham: Kylie Fiedler	Learmonth: Emma LeGrand
	Loddon:	Maldon: Jacqui Hogan, Nicole Funston, Melissa Gillespie
	Mandurang Sth: Nicki Chalmers	Maryborough: Linda Gerring
	Neangar Park:	Stawell:
Apologies	Emelia Sudholz (Stawell), Linda Isacc (Loddon)	
	MOTION2023.06.01 That the apologies be accepted. Mov: BronwynC Sec: SueF	
Item	Action/Discussion	Outcome
1. Confirmation of Previous Minutes	April minutes correction - add Sue Foley as apology. MOTION 2023.06.02 That the previous minutes be accepted as true and correct.	Mov: JulieG sec: DebbieW
2. Business Arising	2.1 Charlton flood recovery. Question re other clubs receiving flood grant and ? MZ extra support. Rationale that support offered to Charlton due to small membership/limited resources and benefit of work to multiple clubs of section A & B.	Tier 1 Grant application approved. \$25,000 received by Charlton. Works to be completed and tier 2 application to be submitted by 31 st October.
	2.2 Advanced First Aid Training	Midland Zone to plan a further two course dates prior to end of funding in October. Maryborough has training day booked ? 16 th July, other club members welcome to attend. Can use MZ grant funds.
	2.3 MZ to host 2024 PCV State SJ & D Championships. 24-25 feb 2024	Elmore Booked. Note, no stable income for MZ, MZ can have yard income. Awaiting PCV event management plan. MZ to submit budget to state council. ? review budget from other events. ? time lines. Request schedule template from PCV. SueF to commence dressage judge plans PeggyM to commence SJ judge plans MZ to form event committee.
3. Correspondence In		
Clubs	NPPC	Janine knight approved as DC
	Maryborough PC	Award of Merit nominees x 2
	MZ – Peggy Mills	Change of date for MZ clubs camp
	Bealiba PC	Faye Barnett approved as DC
	Bendigo PC	Kerry Yean approved as DC
	Beaufort & District PC	Uniform change request
	Beaufort & District PC	Letter re MZ qualifying GFM event

	Beaufort & District PC	Event nomination – gymkhana 31 st July
	Peggy Mills	Midland zone camp date change
	Horsham PC	Update officials
	Maryborough PC	MZ trailer & radio hire request
PCV	WWCC credential uploads to JustGo	Make sure this is to the parents profile
	Award of merit nominations for 2023	
	Sport industry group webinar	Recruitment
	VicSport Child Safe Clubs Webinar	
PCA	Club development webinar	Club governance
	Ride to Time discipline update	
	National Volunteer week	Volunteer recognition nominations
Other	JustGo – stay in the know with blog	
	Dan Tehan – grant opportunity	Growing Regions Fund
	JustGo – making use of support	
	JustGo – make communication more effective	
	Australian Sports Foundation – clubs under pressure	5 key challenges identified <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 in 4 small clubs have considered closing in the last year • Rising costs impacting participation and pushing clubs to insolvency • Teenagers continue to disengage with community sport • Clubs struggling with less volunteers and more administration • Clubs want facilities, participation and volunteer support ahead of 2032
	Australian Sports Foundation webinar	Successful fundraising
	Change our Game	Community activation grants
	PCV GFM committee	Request to hire radios – declined as already booked.
4. Correspondence Out		Moved: Seconded:
JustGo members	Ride to Time	
	Calendar update	
Club Officials	MZ award of merit – call for nominations	
GFM riders/clubs	Yards and dinner for riders attending state GFM @ Bacchus Marsh	
5. Reports	Action/Discussion	Outcome
Treasurer	Moved some funds to the higher interest Australia Bank acc from BB acc. There are some possible outstanding refunds to clubs for trailer use ? Maldon/? Mandurang Sth.	Moved: DebbieW Seconded: NickiC
Zone Rep	Report presented	Moved: SueF Seconded: SueH
Zone Chief Instructor	Supportive of Adult rider considerations for competition. Suggestion for clubs with adult membership to write to PCV board re adults competing in PC events	Moved: LindaG Seconded: BronwynC
Zone Examining Secretary	Report presented – appendix 2	Moved: NickiC Seconded: MelissaG
6. Zone Events:	Action/Discussion	Outcome
6.1 Zone G/F/M/P State Qualifiers	Event Review. Good help from Section A. need to work on communication. Issues on the day – difficult getting volunteer lane stewards together for briefing.	use of sections facebook page, ensure this has club DC or club contact active.

6.2 2023 Ride to Time Qualifying series	Dates and Venues confirmed. Qualifier 1: 3 rd June @ St Arnaud Qualifier 2: 15 th July @ Avoca	St Arnaud cancelled Thurs before event due to wet track. Avoca available at short notice. 4 riders, all first timers. Note to all riders – for any Zone comp, they should be in club iniform. Qualifier 2 @ Avoca 15 th July – only 1 ride can attend. Considering options for riders.
6.3 Zone HT State Qualifiers	9 th July. Section C. Venue - Maldon	First aid costs have decreased. Fees - \$60 + \$20 for PC members \$80 + \$20 for open CT grade 1-6 \$40 + \$20 Team combinations \$10/rider
6.6 Zone AGM	18 th August. Section D. Hosted by Castlemaine	Cumberland hotel – Castlemaine Meals at bar prices Guest speaker to be arranged
6.4 Zone Flat Team & SJ	20 th August. Section D. Venue to be confirmed.	
6.5 MZ club camp	November 4-5 @ Dunolly	
6.6 NCAS workshop	25-26 November. Section B. Venue to be confirmed.	
6.7 Zone Dress & SJ State Qualifiers	9-10 December. Section B. Venue to be confirmed.	Options – Charlton or Donald ACTION – contact clubs to determine who would be able to host
7. General Business:	Action/Discussion	Outcome
7.1 MZ Bylaw 10	Addition: Condition of Entry for MZ GFM – Games riders may compete in a competitive team or a not to score team, but not both.	Level of riding competency – SF to add to by-laws
7.2 MZ Bylaw New addition to MZ ? add after 6. MZ meetings	Addition: Statement for management of Midland Zone electronic media a. All MZ associated facebook pages or Messenger groups must meet the Child Safeguarding Standards and adopt a two-deep model, that is copy in the organisation and a parent/guardian in all communication b. We add to this that all MZ associated facebook pages have at least 2 administrators from the MZ executive.	Moved – that the ACTION – that all MZ facebook page review current groups – ensure that all have two administrators, ensure that there is a responsible adult for each child request administrators either shut down groups not in use or nominate a second administrator. Post in all pages new group rules – all members aged under 18yrs, to invite a parent/guardian. Linda to close the certificate groups as they were set up during covid.
7.3 MZ Bylaw 17 – events program and entry forms	Addition: At all Midland Zone club events that include showjumping, a qualified course builder must build the course or approve the course plan. (qualification HRCV or EV) Motion: mov Sue Foley Sec – Julie Bealiba For – all others attending Against – Linda carried	Concern in many zones not many SJ course qualified builders. Issues of safety for riders/horses. MZ has Peggy, Nicki qualified. Is it achievable to have qualified SJ course plan for all SJ events? EV run SJ building courses. HRCV accreditation. No PCV SJ course planning qualification.
7.4 MZ Bylaw – award of merit	Remove the clause for interview	Interview has not been done in the past 9 years. carried
7.5 MZ electronic media	Request that the fake profile 'Milly Zonely' be archived.	History back to commencement of facebook profile and facebook request

	https://www.facebook.com/midlandzone.pca Milly Zonely has 323 'friends'. Set up by Linda, so she is the only person that can access it. ? it has been set up using the zone email account. The profile serves no purpose as we have the Midland Zone group page which is the correct Facebook platform for a Zone or club page with over 1338 members.	to move to groups has made this not necessary. ? linda able to close this down Zone email – ? able to link emails to MZ website
7.6 Midland Zone planning	Maldon new committee seeking to understand the future, direction, aspiration of the MZ. Does the MZ have a future plan? Goals/aims for the future? Are there plans for spending of the currently healthy bank balance?	Healthy bank balance for PC team champs – this income is not continuing. MZ finances have been well managed for past 20yrs. MZ events generally \$ successful MZ purchase assets to support all members of MZ now & into the future. eg-radios/dressage trailer. Future options – SJ trailer, games trailer, considerations – storage of trailers. Considerations of future of Charlton and MZ events. MZ support to clubs is by other activities such as NCAS training, Planning – SJ trailer as priority – SF to source SJ eq. Investigate trailer types, weight ratio, security. Consideration – security of equipment on trailer – storage of trailer.
7.7 Around the Clubs		
Ararat	Request for attending members to Endurance ride in august – major fund raiser Section A combined rally at Great Western – good time had by all.	
Bealiba	Riders heading off to state GF teams. Clinic coming up in school holidays	
Beaufort	Winter woollies gymkhana end July Great fundraising working with cash donations	
Bendigo	Kerry Yean new DC – has some new things to bring to the club Combined rally with NPPC. Currently having to find a new venue for every rally. Thanks to other clubs supporting us.	
Castlemaine	Not present	
Charlton	Not present	
Donald	Not present	
Harcourt	Working on course at Dunolly for HT	
Horsham	Section A combine rally, successful CT day, planning super clinic	
Learmonth	Not present	
Loddon		
Maldon	HT last month, very successful with weather, struggled with jump judges	
Mandurang South	apologies	
Maryborough	HT, well supported. Max entries for grounds at 90. Combined rally with Learmonth to practice on Xcountry prior to HT. Successful Flood Recovery grant to repair carpark and drainage. Gd 2 jump fence smashed prior to HT and flags taken.	
Neangar Park		
Stawell		
St Arnaud	Kylie – Gymkhana in July, and SJ event. Attended Section B combined rally	
	Linda Gerring thanked the MZ for the flowers received on the passing of her mother.	
	Assets comment – could zone purchase xcountry jumps that are moveable and can travel to other venues.	

Next Meeting:	August 15th	Meeting Closed: 10.02
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Midland Zone Sections					
A	B	C	D		
Ararat	Charlton	Bendigo	Bealiba		
Beaufort	Donald	Maldon	Castlemaine		
Horsham	Loddon	Mandurang South	Harcourt		
Learmonth	St Arnaud	Neangar Park	Maryborough		
Stawell					
		2023	2024	2025	2026
Midland Zone Horse Trials		C	B	A	D
Midland Zone Dressage & SJ Qualifiers		B	D	C	A
Midland Zone Games/Flat/Musical/Pairs		A	C	D	B
Midland Zone SJ & Flat Team		D	A	B	C
Midland Zone AGM		D	A	C	B
Midland Zone Coaches Workshop		A	C	B	D
NCAS Training & Assessment Weekend		B	D	A	C

Treasurers Report.

Balance Sheet

Midland Zone Pony Club
As at 11 June 2023

11 JUN 2023

Assets

Bank	
Midland Zone	45,535.56
Midland Zone Term Deposit	28,536.04
Total Bank	74,071.60
Total Assets	74,071.60

Profit and Loss

Midland Zone Pony Club
For the period 17 April 2023 to 11 June 2023

17 APR-11 JUN
2023

Trading Income

Certificate - Rider Fee	120.00
Games Flat Musical Pair	792.50
Hire Deposit and Fee radio's	700.00
Hire Deposit and Fee's Dressage Trailer	1,800.00
Interest Income	0.78
Member Uniform purchase	45.00
Merchandise sale income	270.00
Ride To Time	140.00
Total Trading Income	3,868.28

Gross Profit

3,868.28

A round of C certificate assessments has been held since the last meeting. 5 candidates presented on the 27th May and Bealiba Pony Club, one of these candidates only required to complete the ridden components. All 5 candidates passed successfully on the day. Congratulations to all riders. Thanks to Bealiba for hosting and the parents for being so helpful throughout the day.

I would like to remind club committees, coaches and parents about the importance of ensuring riders are prepared and ready prior to nominating for their certificates and that all areas of the syllabus are being covered at club level. The essence of Pony Club is about setting our members up for success. Unfortunately, there are times where riders present on the day of examinations having never attempted tasks that are a requirement and clearly outlined in the syllabus, or are not up to the standard outlined. Our valued examiners within the zone always attend the day with the view in mind that all candidates will pass and always work with riders, to support and encourage them to get through any areas where they may need a little help. Sometimes riders or horses don't have their best day on the day – and that's horses! While no candidate ever fails– it's our examiners that have the horrible job of telling riders that they are required to do a supp which is never an enjoyable task. It doesn't do riders justice by signing off their competence without first checking their competence. Please, let's all work together to ensure our riders are set up for success. I'm only ever an email away if anyone is unsure about the requirements, and am only too pleased to help.

I also want to let DC's who may be on the newer side, that while the C certificate does have a set format there are always ways to accommodate riders with different needs. Riders who may have physical or intellectual needs that don't suit the standard format, we have ways to work around this. Please contact me in advance so that we can make a plan to suit each rider's needs.