

Midland Zone Delegates Meeting - MINUTES		
Date:	Tuesday 10 th June 2025	Venue: online
Meeting open	7.35	
Attendance	Ararat: Helen Spencer	Bealiba: Faye Barnett, Carolyn Stephenson
	Beaufort:	Bendigo: Susan Harvey
	Castlemaine:	Charlton:
	Donald: apologies	Harcourt:
	Horsham:	Learmonth:
	Loddon:	Maldon: Kylie Kirk
	Mandurang Sth: Jade Horton, Kira Chalmers	Maryborough: Linda Gerring
	Neangar Park:	Stawell:
	Midland Zone: Nicki Chalmers, Bronwyn Cuthbertson, Peggy Mills, Julie Gould	
Apologies	Debbie Weir (BealibaPC), Laura Eddnie (MSPC), Bronwyn Ballistic (MaryboroughPC) Kylie Fiedler (HorshamPC)	
Item	Action/Discussion	Outcome
1. Confirmation of Previous Minutes	Motion 2025.06.01 That the minutes of the previous minutes be accepted as true and correct.	Moved: Kira Chalmers Seconded: Bronwyn Cuthbertson
2. Business Arising	2.1 Advanced First Aid Training	Proposal that all those who participated in the Ararat training day act in the first aid role for one MZ event with no payment to cover the course. Any MZ event they act as first aid for after this can receive relevant payment.
	2.2. MZ trailers permanent home <i>Trailers currently remain at Julie's</i>	Awaiting workman to complete gates @ Bealiba. ACTION: Julie to follow up.
	2.3. Games Trailer VERA rejected the offer of \$500 and wanting \$750 for purchase of trailer.	Purchase equipment to national games standard vs Kay Irving games. Noted that PCV state games mixing standards. ? source from Warraks son who sells equipment for national games standards. MOTION 2025.06.02 MZ offer VERA \$750 for purchase of trailer. Moved: Nicki Chalmers Seconded: Helen Spencer
	2.4 By-law discussion – review and updating. <i>Nicki to create list</i>	Ongoing
	2.5 SJ Trailer	Julie purchased spare tyre purchased @ \$40 MZ branded poles ordered and deposit paid, should be available within weeks ACTION: \$100 be kept from trailer deposit (SJ&D) to commence 1 st July 2025 ACTION: add this to trailer hire forms and update website
	2.6 Dressage equipment purchases to be made.	Measuring wheel Front storage hooks
3. Correspondence In		
Clubs	Horsham PC – club officials update	Nominated DC – Kylie Fiedler

	MSPC hire request – D Trailer & Radio	
	Bealiba PC club officials update	Nominated DC – Faye Barnett
	Neangar Park PC – Nav ride program	
	NGSC invoice	
	Charlton PC – query re Ararat/Horsham HT	Event cancelled
	Mandurang Sth club officials update	Nominated DC approved – Laura Eddnie
PCV		
	Award of merit and distinguish service nominations now open	Nomination to state close 30 june Nomination to Midland Zone 15 th June
	Membership renewal 2025-2026 reminder	
	PCV selection criteria and EOI for PCA nationals 2025	
PCA	Day membership	Now live on JustGo event management system
	Integrity news may 2025	Webinar – sport integrity 101 for community club volunteers Club Corner – planning your club future PC safeguarding challenge for all clubs.
	Integrity news June 2025	Webinar – handling member projections concerns Club corner – marketing your club
4. Correspondence Out	Nil	
	Motion 2025.06.03 That the correspondence be accepted	Moved: Bronwyn Cuthbertson Seconded: Susan
5. Reports	Action/Discussion	Outcome
Treasurer	Report provided – see appendix 1	Motion 2025.06.04 That the treasures report be accepted. Moved: Nicki Chalmers Seconded: Julie Gould
Zone Rep	Report presented – see appendix 2	
Zone Chief Instructor	Not present	
Zone Examining Secretary	Report presented – see appendix 3	
6. Zone Events:	Action/Discussion	Outcome
6.1 Tetrathon	Training day at Ararat	Tet committee request to run training in MZ Challenging weather day – 11 competitors 2senior/2jun/2subjunior/5 equithon 1 wannon, mostly Ararat riders Swimming, then run, attempted jumping before rain.
6.2 MZ Ride to Time Qualifiers	3 qualifiers. 29 th June @ Bendigo 13 th July @ Avoca	Reminder to all members, training provided on the day. Online entries via JustGo

6.3 Midland Zone AGM	Section C 15 th August hosted by Mandurang South	Venue: National Hotel Complex Guest Speaker to be confirmed- <i>Nicki & Kira</i> ACTION: Flyer to be confirmed
6.4 Midland Zone shield SJ & Flat Team	Section A/B 17 th August @ Horsham	Program approved Event secretary engaged.
6.5 Midland Zone Dressage & SJ Qualifiers	Section C 13-14 December	Mandurang offer to host
6.6 NCAS Training & Assessment Weekend	Section A 16 th November @ Beaufort	ACTION: Confirm with Kylie for PCV promotion
7. General Business:	Action/Discussion	Outcome
7.1	Safeguarding Children & Young Adults in Sport	Reminder that all club exec and coaches must have completed the online course. All club members and regular club attendees 18yrs and over must have current WWCC. Regular club attendees register on JustGo
		ACTION: Update club forms on website, send current form to all clubs
7.2	Discussion post HT for ongoing use of Charlton grounds.	Nicki & Kira discussing using for MZ clinics Dates not currently working with all key stake holders Try for 2026 date
7.3	Concerns expressed with C&T JustGo registration	If problems contact PCV during the week. Not supported by smart phone – best done on desktop. ? C&T fee no longer taken from PCV fee in joining before next rally
Around the Clubs		
Ararat	Tetrathlon – would be interested to run again in warmer months.	
Beaufort	Small membership, all ready2ride, progressing well with riding skills and certificate knowledge.	
Bealiba	Club – major work done on club rooms – warmer and more usable. Grounds looking good. Planning C&T day. 3 teams to state team GFM. Clinic planned for school holidays, very popular with alan Mitchel and lyn Williams. XcD & SJ clinic @ Dunolly	
Bendigo	AGM completed, new families, 2 pca coaches. Club by-laws updated and new info booklet for members. Still waiting on power connect to shed and relocation of clubrooms. 7 C&T at last rally. Walk around streets to instruct re road rules and safety.	
Castlemaine		
Charlton		
Donald		
Learmonth		
Loddon		
Harcourt	Final SJ series this Sunday, entries look good.	
Horsham		
Maldon	Kylie K. members out and about competing regularly. AGM recently held.	
Maryborough	Shared rally May, Learmonth/Loddon, very big rally with 5 riding groups. June visiting coach. Continuing concerns with C&T registrations on JustGo – via Victoria Direct Looking forward to competing at Bacchus Marsh for teams GFM	
Mandurang South	AGM & new DC appointed. Full prep for upcoming HT. Clinic last week with Alan Mitchell and join rally day following. C&T at each rally, ongoing new membership. Alan again in August.	
Neangar Park		
Stawell		

Next Meeting:	Tuesday 14th October– Online	Meeting Closed: 8.40
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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					
		2025	2026	2027	2028
Midland Zone Horse Trials		A/B	D	C	A/B
Midland Zone Dressage & SJ Qualifiers		C	A	B	D
Midland Zone Games/Flat/Musical/Pairs		D	B	A	C
Midland Zone SJ & Flat Team		A/B	C	D	A/B
Midland Zone AGM		C	B	D	A/B
Midland Zone NCAS Workshop		A/B	C	B	D
NCAS Training & Assessment Weekend		A/B	D	A	C

**** Sections A & B combined for 2025 – review at December meeting.**

Balance Sheet

Midland Zone Pony Club
As at 7 June 2025

7 JUNE 2025

Assets

Bank

Midland Zone	25,778.03
Midland Zone Term Deposit	10,254.80
Total Bank	36,032.83

Event Secretary Pty Ltd

Date 28 Apr 2025

Invoice 20374



Midland Zone Horse Trials & Combined Training 2025

Event date : 30 Mar 2025

1. Online Entries

1.1 Payments Received	\$6,985.00
1.2 Financial Merchant Fees	-\$122.40
1.3 Refunds	-\$340.00
1.4 Financial Merchant Fees Refunded	\$5.10
1.5a Event Secretary Online Fees + Setup (GST Incl)	-\$104.78

2. Times

2.1 Entry Handling (GST Incl)[95 Combinations]	-\$156.75
2.2 Times Handling (GST Incl)[95 Combinations]	-\$209.00

3. Scoring

3.1 Scoring (GST Incl)[1 Person Days]	-\$319.00
3.2 Travel (GST Incl)[410 KMs]	-\$225.50
3.7 Digital Scoring (GST Incl)[9 tablet]	-\$360.00
3.9 Caravan (GST Incl)	-\$110.00

4. Payments To Officials

Peggy Mills - Jumping Judge	-\$150.00
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5. Competitor Prize Money

6. Levy/Fees/Other

6.1 Day participation insurance	-\$60.00
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7. Office Expense

8. Sundry Expense

Race Day Medical InvRDM3134	-\$1,656.60
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9. Sundry Income

10. Partial Payments

Charlton PC - Yards	-\$315.00
Charlton PC - Camping	-\$170.00

Credit Balance	\$2,691.07
Total GST Included	-\$135.00

State Council

There is little to report this meeting as the last State Council meeting was cancelled and has not yet been rescheduled.

Games, Flat and Musical Ride (GFM)

Our GFM qualifiers were held on **27th April at Bealiba**, hosted by Section D. Congratulations to all riders and team managers. One of the things I love most about GFM is its **inclusivity** – it truly reflects the essence of pony club, with riders of all ages and abilities able to participate, competitively or not.

Entries for **State Games, Flat and Musical Ride Championships** should now be finalised.

Midland Zone will be represented by:

- 2 Games Teams
- 2 Pairs
- 1 Team of Four
- 3 Musical Rides

Good luck to all riders and support crews at **Bacchus Marsh on 21–22 June!**

Showjumping and Flat Shield Event – Sunday 17th August

This is our next Zone event. Flat ride details have been available on the Zone website for some time. I've also added a guide to the site that shows which tests are used in odd and even years. This allows clubs to plan ahead and embed team rides into their rallies, reducing the need for additional training.

This approach not only supports Shield participation but also sets a strong foundation for **qualifying and state competitions**.

State Horse Trials – May 17–18 at Rosedale

The 2025 State Horse Trials are now done and dusted. A big congratulations to all riders who qualified and made the trip.

While Midland Zone's team wasn't large this year, the **enthusiasm and support for one another was incredible**. It was great to see riders and families cheering each other on around their own rides. The cross-country phase was particularly challenging, and I'm proud of how safely and carefully our riders tackled it.

Special mentions and placings:

- **Iris Sudholz** – Grade 1 – 3rd place
- **Ingrid Gould** – Grade 2 – 4th place
- **Charlee Dowler** – Grade 3 – 5th place
- **Maya Dowell** – Grade 5 – 5th place
- **Ilice Hogan** – Composite Grade 4 Team – 6th place
- **Team Midland Storm** (Ingrid, Iris & Natalie Marshall) – 3rd place

Well done also to **Zeva Missen, Matilda Hale** and **Piper Evans** for strong performances.

Ride to Time

Final qualifiers:

- **Qualifier 2** – Sunday 29 June at Bendigo Jockey Club
- **Qualifier 3** – Sunday 13 July at Avoca Turf Club

Entries are open on **JustGo**. Training is provided on the day, so it's a great low-pressure opportunity for riders of all experience levels to give it a go.

Tetrathlon and Equathon

Our Zone's **first ever Tetrathlon and Equathon Training Day and Mini-Comp** was held last weekend and by all accounts it was a great day. Thanks to **Ararat Pony Club** for stepping in as hosts at the last minute.

If any other clubs are interested in hosting a Tetrathlon event, please let me know and I can pass on the details.

PCA Nationals

Nominations are in and we have several nominees from our Zone currently going through the approval process. I wish them the best of luck in the selection phase!

Reminders

With many club AGMs occurring at this time of year, please ensure:

- The **Club Officials Form** is completed and returned to the Zone
- **JustGo roles are updated**, including:
 - Removing outgoing committee members
 - Adding newly elected ones

These updates ensure that important communications reach the right people. To outgoing secretaries – thank you for all your work, and please assist new secretaries with completing handover tasks.

Nicki Chalmers

APPENDIX 3

Zone Examining Secretary report 10/06/2025

In May, we held an assessment day with 5 C nominations. All 5 candidates passed on that day.

Thank you to Mandurang South Pony Club for allowing us to use their grounds, and to Kylie for assessing the candidates.

The next round of ridden certificate assessments will take place in October. Nominations will close at the end of August.

I encourage clubs to regularly incorporate certificate work into their rallies and urge all coaches to reference and connect it in all disciplines.

Kira Chalmers