

Waikato Combined Equestrian Group Inc.

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WAIKATO COMBINED EQUESTRIAN GROUP (INC) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *Tuesday 20th of October – 6.30pm*

PRESENT: Debra Cowen, President – Chair (DC), Mark Innes, Vice President (MI), Kara Lockhart (KL), Wendy Bragger (WB), Nicole Hammond (NH), Lisa Marcroft (LM), Noeline Jeffries (NJ), Kathie Shepherd (EPNZ (formerly HGRDA, KS), Darryl Smith (EPNZ (formerly HGRDA) DS,

APOLOGIES:

Dave Young (DY), Lynette Cundy (LK), Vanessa Sharratt (STAK, VS), Paul Gibbs (PG), Watene Hema (WH), Juliet Chevalier-Watts (JCW),

N Jeffries/M Innes – AIF - Carried

AFFILIATED GROUPS REPORTS:

HGRDA: Not much to report. MI – why the big change? KS - They have stuff they want to do but not under RDA banner. Under RDA, every rider has to have a medical. But not every client has a medical certificate available. Primary goal should be to help riders, but some don't have a medical certificate. Policies – re-written Policies. We need a copy of their H and S – yes when they are finished them. Working towards things being aligned and making sure that nothing conflicts. Wanted to expand programme for a wider section of the community.

Walk around with Dna and Hannah and working through the steps towards beautification prior to the SO Nationals. Debra and Zara came down and cleaned one weekend and took down the green netting stuff. Painting to be undertaken over Christmas period. Big issue with round pen needs attention. Will keep in touch with how this is working and when things will happen.

From KL – need better communication especially when introducing hazards into the area. An example – the moving of the rototiller and harrows because of a delivery of haylage. This put them where the horses have to go and caused numerous issues for staff getting horses in that day. Not just WEC staff – RDA volunteers were seen having trouble as well. Seems to have settled down now, but some communication around introduced hazards would've been nice. KL requested that the harrows are moved as where they are sitting right now is in a high traffic zone and is considered dangerous. KL suggested either the alcove next to the round pen or in the round pen.

STAK: Rallies going well.

WESTERN: Had a great show on the weekend.

NPC: Nothing received.

If anything is to be put on agenda from AG's, it is to be sent through before the meeting.

All Reports moved in one block. L Marcroft/W Bragger. AIF. Carried

PREVIOUS MEETING

Spelling of Watene's name and Mark was not the Chair of the last meeting.

M Innes/W Bragger – AIF – Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

- On task list:

TASK LIST AS A RESULT OF COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 2020

Kara

- Follow up with HCC re boundary trees.
- Quote for gates into RS carpark and Future Posts in Polofield.
- Training courses for Quad bikes.
- Email to graziers. DONE
- Bill AG's membership.
- Bulletin article to Facebook.

Debra

- Letter for SH mother (with Lisa)

Lisa

- Motorbike.
- Letter for SH mother (with Debra)

Paul

- App training.
- Quote for years' worth of medical fees and AED for funding application.

Everyone

- Visiting Instructor's Policy.
- To discuss vouchers received.
- Should anyone ride on the XC on their own?
- Should back protectors be compulsory for XC?

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Various as circulated

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

Various as circulated.

Inwards accepted/outwards approved. N Jeffries/M Innes. AIF. Carried.

REPORTS:

- Riding School – tabled by KL.
 - It's been a great month.
 - School holidays busy and full.
 - Lessons back underway well.
 - Farm ride went really well and they want to book more.
 - School groups booking for the end of the year.
 - Lessons are busy.
 - December/January programme being worked on now.
- Facility – tabled by KL:
 - Going well with lots of people using the facility.
 - Derby scheduled and should be a great day.
 - 2-day Dressage bonanza in January.
 - Practice dressage days popular as usual.
 - Spoken to Mike (Course Designer) about XC improvements. Grant received from ESNZ which is to be used for XC upgrades. Logs purchased to replace dilapidated logs on course at the moment. Mike to quote on labour. Mike also wants to extend the exiting water jump complex to make it more useable. Quote being worked on now. Plus Mike had a good idea for using the Future Post posts to make horse trials easier and create extra grazable paddocks along the way. I will have a map to show everyone after the Derby in December.

- Also working on the Cowboy Challenge area which will happen when the Future Posts are put in. Most likely to go behind the hedge in paddock 15 roadside.
- Grazing – tabled by KL
 - I've spent lots of hours with waiting list people to fill the current vacant spaces and even had some new ones apply who I've spent lots of time with too. 1 currently being reference checked. None of the others are currently able to take the grazing spaces, so I will be advertising shortly.
 - Request to mow a track around the hall paddock for use while the hay is growing. To be discussed later.
- Health and Safety – given by PG:
 - Rider riding with her dog on a lead cantering around the polo field.
 - Two stretches donated to WEC.

Sub-Committees:

- Events:
 - As above.
- Learn to Ride (verbally given by NJ):
 - Children from Maeroa and Nawton school. Bit of bullying with one of the riders which KL sorted out on the day.
 - Grant to be done for Sport Waikato.
 - Booking grounds for Anzac day for the LTR ribbon day – in hand in the morning, ridden in the afternoon. Go with Saturday, not Monday which is the actual day.

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Other business:

COMMITTEE ONLY:

Meeting closed at 8.00 pm

Next meeting Tuesday 24th November 2020 @ 6.30pm (KL to inform affiliated groups).

..... (D Cowen)

.....Date