

# Waikato Combined Equestrian Group Inc.

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## WAIKATO COMBINED EQUESTRIAN GROUP (INC) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *Tuesday 21 December 2021, Admin Office – 6.30pm*

**PRESENT:** Debra Cowen, President/Chair (DC), Mark Innes, Vice President (MI), Kara Lockhart (KL), Wendy Bragger (WB), Nicole Hammond (NH), Noeline Jeffries (NJ), Lisa Marcroft (LM),

### **APOLOGIES:**

Dave Young (DY), Paul Gibbs (PG), Kathie Shepherd (KS, EP)

*N Hammond/N Jeffries – AIF - Carried*

### **AFFILIATED GROUPS REPORTS:**

**EPNZ:** Nothing received

**STAK:** Nothing received.

**WESTERN:** Nothing received.

**NPC:** Nothing received.

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

*W Bragger/M Innes – AIF - Carried.*

### **PREVIOUS MEETING**

*M Innes/N Hammond – AIF – Carried*

### **MATTERS ARISING:**

### **CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

Email from Debbie Knowles 11 December 2021

Email from Debbie Knowles – 18 December 2021 – both to be discussed in general business

### **CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

Circulated

*Accept inwards/Approve outwards – N Hammond/W Bragger - AIF - Carried*

## **REPORTS:**

- Riding School – tabled by KL.
  - Lessons have started really well after lockdown.
  - Lost 4 clients due to Vaccine Policy. But have filled their spaces plus some.
  - Holiday programmes full. Using one of my ponies to fill a gap.
  - 4 holiday programmes advertised. 1 December and 3 in January. All full. I will do another one possibly two in January.
  - Flea has gone home. Still looking for more ponies.
  
- Facility – tabled by KL:
  - Twilight practice SJ went very well.
  - Spraying completed – looks fabulous.
  - Post and rail fencing finished by sand arena – finally! And it looks awesome.
  - All of the dividing fence in paddock 15 has been removed. This has made a huge difference to the useability of the cross country.
  - Mike hopefully coming down soon to move mobiles around and give the once over.
  - Lots of tractor and mower problems this month (mower belts and blades, tractor PTO, electrical and alternator issues). Hopefully fixed now.
  - Tractor shed paddock looks amazing – thanks to everyone who helped tidy it up. Even the tractor shed is tidy.
  - Dressage practice day went well, despite 8 riders with 9 horses scratching either the day before or on the day. Frustrating, as it's hard to do the draw normally, but this made it worse. Nicky and I got hold of most of the riders who were left and moved up who we could. One lady came up from Taupo especially for it. Very good feedback about it being low key and encouraging for young horses and nervous riders.
  - Western weekends went well.
  - Lots booked for January already – ribbon day, 2-day summer dressage bonanza and a practice show jumping day. May not be able to hold a dressage practice day due to Nicky and KL being busy on the weekend it would have been and possibly no judges either – Young Rider weekend.
  - I'll start on the horse trial planning in the New Year.
  - Huge huge huge thanks to Lisa's dad for donating the bike spray unit. Steve has made very good use of it already.
  - Lisa is working with Gallaghers for some possible sponsorship of fencing for the cross-country fence.
  - Mowed and moved all SJ's today. Liverpool out for a bit.
  
- Grazing – tabled by KL
  - Been interviewing off the waiting list. A bit frustrating, but that's just the way it is.
  
- Health and Safety – given by PG:
  - Nothing to report.
  
- Sub-Committees:
  - Events: As above.
  
  - LTR: Haven't been able to do due to the uncertainty around schools and Covid. None were doing out of school programmes towards the end of the year or 2022. Will have to try again in April once we know how they are doing programmes or if we get Sport Waikato funding. Approach schools early and start then.

*All Reports moved in one block – D Cowen/N Jeffries - AIF. Carried*

Other business:

None noted.

COMMITTEE ONLY:

**Meeting closed at 8.13pm**

**Next meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2022 @ 6.30pm (KL to inform affiliated groups).**

..... (D Cowen)

.....Date