

Waikato Combined Equestrian Group Inc.

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WAIKATO COMBINED EQUESTRIAN GROUP (INC) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 15th of February 2023, in Admin Office 6.30pm

PRESENT: Debra Cowen, President/Chair (DC), Mark Innes, Vice President (MI), Kara Lockhart (KL), Nicole Hammond (NH), Paul Gibbs (PG), Lisa Marcroft (LM) Noeline Jeffries (NJ), Dave Young (DY) arrived at 7.15pm

APOLOGIES:

Noeline/Debra – 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.

PREVIOUS MEETING

Mark/Lisa – AIF – Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

10/02/2023 – email from Wendy Bragger resigning from Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

31/01/2023 – email to STAK re possibility of moving location.

03/02/2023 – email to Ashton re external events.

09/02/2023 – email to EP re GST on invoice.

REPORTS:

- Riding School – tabled by KL.
 - Waterboy started. This is fabulous and a great visual presence in this space.
 - Taz has returned to the school. He is a great addition.
 - Had a bad 2 weeks with horse issues – mostly due to the wet conditions/their feet. Coming right now.
 - Pleased to report that Kat is almost fully back in the school and his workload is increasing as advised by the Vet. He's healed nicely.....so far.
 - Advertised for a casual yard staff person for Mondays and as required. Currently 8 applicants. Closes this Friday and will arrange interviews etc next week.

- Fence demolished by EP horse has been fixed by Steve. No apology for causing damage or thank you for work completed.
 - Riding School took a hammering with the storm. Lots of trees down and they all landed on fences. Steve and I have fixed the most important ones (affecting EP). One main one behind the yards (in a RS paddock) may be better sorted with the drainage as well. Had contractor on site today to discuss this and other jobs. Awaiting a price.
 - Applied via the Single Year Community Grant.
- Facility – tabled by KL:
 - Water pods – talking to AgFirst about a more permanent solution as they are cumbersome to move and I can't do it by myself. Devieth coming as soon as he can to have a look.
 - WEC ARC (needs a better name) – Adult Riding Club. This is gaining traction now. Hoping to do the first day in March (HOY weekend if possible). Need to ensure medic available. First on will be lessons with Nicky Hallen and Melissa Lovell – flat and jumping. Second Saturdays or Sundays of each month.
 - Winding up for Horse Trials. Flag again how worried I am about this one.
 - Winter dressage – put out dates and had lots of feedback about people's suggested changes. Good one about adding a green horse but not rider class. We used to have this and took it away due to a lack of entries. Will draft some suggested changes and circulate to show sub-committee.
 - June – I'm away from the 7th to the 30th. Shows affected – day 2 of the show jumping/hunter (18th) and day 2 of the dressage series (2nd of July). I'm confident Christine and Debra could do the dressage and I'll be back with for the actual show day, but Christine has no real experience with the show jumping series. Suggestions:
 - Do May as usual, skip June and do July, August, September (will need to wait on HT confirmed September dates).
 - Do May as usual, do 2 in a row in July (16th and 23rd) and finish in August as usual.
 - Only do a 3-day series this year and skip June altogether.
 - Carry on and hope for the best with Christine/Debra.
 - Carry on with June as is and Debra and Christine will do. KL to do list of “how to's” during May build up and show.
 - Applied for funding to Lion Foundation for Horse Trials to cover course design, rosettes and medical.
- Grazing – tabled by KL
 - New individual grazier moving in next week after induction completed and fence fixed due to tree.
 - KL gave run down on suggested hall area improvements.
 - More in general.
 - Temporary fix on poo bins and fence off poo bins.
- Health and Safety – given by PG:
 - Talking about duties tonight.
 - Started with Pike River and then evolved from there.
 - 4th of April 2016 it came into effect. Act itself is a live document and can be amended simply.
 - WEC (as a PCBU) has an overarching duty of care to those who come on to the property lawfully. PCBU is the officers (committee members) and any individual who has or can apply a significant influence over the day to day running of the business.
 - Duties – management board, committee, management. We need to update how things are audited, reported and relayed.
- Sub-Committees:
 - Events: As above.
 - As discussed already.
 - LTR –.Noeline circulated her report.

All Reports moved in one block – Lisa/Mark - AIF. Carried

Other business:

None

COMMITTEE ONLY:

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

Next meeting Wednesday 15th of March – in Admin Office @ 6.30pm (KL to inform affiliated groups).

..... (D Cowen)

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