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WAIKATO COMBINED EQUESTRIAN GROUP (INC) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *Wednesday 15th of March 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), Carla Martin and Tash McCain (STAK)

APOLOGIES:

Noeline Jeffries (NJ), Dave Young (DY)

Lisa/Mark – AIF - Carried

AFFILIATED GROUPS REPORTS:

EPNZ: Nothing received.

STAK: Two things received from Carla and Tash. (from agenda)

“This is on behalf of STAK re: the Show Jumping Arena size. This is also becoming a Health and Safety issue for the riders.”

Carla - Practice SJ arena – little bit too small and finding that lots of girls have been struggling around the course – the bigger strides. Having to take jumps out. Close to having accidents because you can't get the angle right between the jumps. Standard size jumping arena is 50m x 30m minimum and it's an odd shape.

DC – we need access to the gateway for North North. First time that people have brought it up. Do we need to remove jumps to make it safer? It was never intended to be for a course. It's a practice arena with some jumps for members to school over.

Carla – do we put up our own jumps course for rallies.

DC – if you're wanting to have it for specific rally, then we need to know – especially for exercises.

Carla – they don't set up the course, they have lots of visiting instructors who put up the course as required.

DC – put up for everyone and if you want a jumping course for rallies, then we need to find a different way to do it.

Carla – a limiting shape.

DC – we haven't had that feedback We will have a look at what can be done and come back to STAK.

Carla – not picking at WEC, trying to find a compromise.

“The other 2 submission are personal (Tasha and myself) and feel it needs to be brought to the attention of the committee.

****More SJ competitions and weekend SJ practice days.**

****More ribbon days.**

As people in the community are requesting and wondering why WEC are constantly putting on dressage competitions/ practice days. Whilst SJ and lower level riders are not being catered for in the same capacity.”

Carla – personal issue – grass roots show jumps – 40-80cms. A suggestion that STAK could run one as fundraising. WEC has monthly ones booked from April. Willowmane they go too.

PG – how many there?

Carla – about 100 riders. \$12 per round plus ground fees.

PG – put something together and put to KL for consideration.

Carla – few more ribbon days?

DC – yes, but KL can't be here all weekend or every weekend.

Carla – not a go at KL, trying to help with fundraising for STAK.

MI – this is about hiring grounds independently of WEC which needs to go to KL with dates etc for consideration.

MI – we will discuss and reply to STAK - who do we communicate to?

Carla – go through her?

KL – are you the STAK secretary?

Carla – no. Several people get/see the STAK email.

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 and the WEC meeting attended by a Delegate.

PREVIOUS MEETING

Mark/Paul – AIF – Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1/3/2023 Email and documentation from STAK re a proposal to relocate.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

REPORTS:

- Riding School – tabled by KL.
 - Waterboy – lots of great feedback.
 - Horses ok at the moment (touch wood).
 - Timing issues with accounts.
 - Vet costs increased hugely. Kat with check ligament etc.

- Facility – tabled by KL:
 - Horse Trials – all go. DC worked on budget.
 - Brookby. DC spoke to Hayley re their event.
 - Calendar for Spring 2023 – date still OK and Autumn 2024 still compact with dates.
 - August – running a Derby under Pony Club rules.

- Funding still to hear.
- Short a few JJ's – working on it.

- Grazing – tabled by KL
 - New individual grazier settled well.
 - Grazier coming for one free paddock once she gives notice – a month is required.
 - Annabelle, gelding mob – swapping horses.
 - Is stuff done – yes except hitching rail and arena.

- Health and Safety – given by PG:
 - Nothing at this stage.

- 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 8.00pm

Next meeting Wednesday 19th of April – in Admin Office @ 6.30pm (KL to inform affiliated groups).

..... (D Cowen)

.....Date