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Minutes of the
the **Committee Meeting**

February 22, 2024

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie



Meeting opened at: 8:35

Present: Maureen Purdie, Andrew Rodaughan, Ben Logue, Marc Fraser, Lesley Bakker, Brad French, Sean Corbin, Alister Ling, Warwick Slade

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		Apologies received from Scottie Cruise That Apologies be accepted Moved : Andrew Rodaughan Seconded Maureen Purdie Carried		
<u>2. Previous meeting minutes</u>	10mins	Moved that the minutes be accepted Moved: Andrew Rodaughan Seconded: Ben Logue Carried Business arising from the minutes- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voting at AGMs-Maureen tried Google Forms and feels it will work. Andrew suggested that we send out a test run vote. People attending the meeting in person will need to have an electronic device with them. ● Riders finishing a race- NSW branch have talked to riders, Brought up in Victoria. Saw a difference in riding. Keep promoting that. ● Nations Applications Went out . So far 5 received. Continue to promote in Branches. Some NZers are offering loan ponies. Will need to have a selectors meeting after applications close. ● Suggestions as to the amount Branches pay to AMGA when hosting a championship event. /or possible ways of raising money. .Need a plan in place . Set up a sub-committee -involve someone from each branch. Set up forecast and a plan and timing of how to get money into the account. Ben listed a number of questions. Need to know what we need. Need more than \$15000 in bank. Especially with Nations 		

		<p>coming up need money to pay up front costs. Sean said that they are setting up a budget, seeking sponsorship etc. Andrew asked if each branch would have someone who had the time and know-how to form a sub committee. Alister said that an email asking for expressions of interest to get people for this. Maureen said that she thought in the past it was to be about 10% of profits from A Nationals that the branches were to send to AMGA. The other idea is to have a levy on riders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brad said that SA have been looking into having a paramedic on site at Wentworth. Around \$2500. Need the money from this competition to help with ongoing costs. • Need to find an equitable way for it to go forward 		
<p>3. <u>Correspondence</u></p>	5mins	<p>Correspondence tabled and discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response from Warwick about placings in the last race at AUS Pairs. Warwick explained what happened and how. Need to continue with the commentator to read out placings/scores after the race. Make sure the scores are online. There will always be human mistakes and we need to catch as many of these as possible. Riders have the right to query a result. After the last race, we especially need time before a run off is called for. Need to have a time frame (15 min) <p>. Query re invoice- Maureen explained the problem that their account had been hacked by someone and they felt that AMGA had allowed the details to be taken. The committee said that they need to take the issue to the bank. Al stated pony lender payment was not paid until riders debts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warwick re Safeguarding Children and Young people- from Pony Club Use. Need more than WWC check- Any coaches of under age children we need to mandate they have done the online course. Do courses online. We need to be aware of and need to be promoting it in our branches. • Riders going to World Pairs and World Individuals are listed <p>Correspondence accepted</p>		
<p>4. <u>Treasurer's Report</u></p>	5mins	<p>Sent through today- Said we should send to Branches the list of aged debtors for them to collect. Will be sent to Maureen to disseminate to Branch rep and Secretary. Remember that we need to be sensitive when dealing with names of people owing money. Need to decide on consequences for members who have outstanding debts. Possible suspension of membership.</p> <p>That the Treasurer's report be accepted</p>		

		Moved Alister Ling Seconded Maureen Purdie Carried		
5.Aus Team Championships		<p>What format are we using for teams this year and future? Eg. 1) as we have been, 2) Age groups- U 18s team, Opens team, 25 and over team 3) Junior team- at least 4 under 18s. May have 1 older rider . Open team- any age. Seniors- must have 4 riders over 25. 5th rider may be of any age. 4) Riders nominate divisions A league, B league- Could be checked by committee if they feel they have not nominated themselves correctly.</p> <p>Vic felt that it was too difficult to change only a month before a championship. What if only 2 teams put in for the lower division. Warwick said that also thought that they might be able to have a qualification period. . Riders would need to nominate their teams early in the year. Sean said that we probably need to change the way Team is run this year. If something does go wrong we may have problems. Andrew said that if someone nominated for A section and were encouraged to change and didn't, where will we be?</p> <p>Possibly call the groups-Premiership league and Championship league Decided that we will try it. Andrew said we need to word the flyer to carefully explain the two levels. SA has an entry form almost ready to go, will go back and add this, and they will send it to the committee for feedback. Entries will be out by March 1 at latest and close 15th March. - Paramedics quote for \$2100. The committee decided that the entry fee for National competitions would be raised to \$60 entry and \$25 medical. The medical component will depend on the quote the branch running the event gets.</p> <p>Any coaches must be on entry and will follow the same rules as the riders entering. Heats will be pre drawn</p> <p>SA Australia to send through their preferred referee/s and the committee will decide- Games list decided</p>		
6. International Rep report		<p>Andrew attended the last meeting of the International reps. Lots of discussion. Not much relevant to us. No major decisions made.</p> <p>Meetings of Nations countries- What do countries think about all riders riding pool ponies. Committee to decide by the next meeting.</p> <p>Host country has to supply enough ponies for all countries, If they have enough ponies then a UN team can ride and then possibly another one for the host nation.</p>	Committee	Next meeting
7. <u>Selection procedures</u>		<p>Worlds Teams were selected and info went out</p> <p>Feedback from Selectors meeting- Suggested that Aus Teams be included not just Pairs and Indies, Suggested that 1st reserve is named and given the option to travel with the team.</p> <p>The letter to advise rider they have been selected is no longer to include other team member names . The team will be announced once they have all accepted their place in the team.</p> <p>We need to finalise the appeal process and add more to Coach and Team Manager</p>		

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8. International competitions		Intention to ride at an international event form- Application to ride at an international Mounted Games event .This will be sent out at the same time as application and have the closing date after teams are announced.		
9. Date for AGM		After discussion it was decided that the AGM will be held at Wentworth on the Friday (March 29) night after the rider briefing	Get out Notice	
10. Around the Branches		WA - will be having their AGM on March 9. It has been extremely hot over there. SA- 5 teams coming to Wentworth. More positive attitude in the branch. The Training day they held was a great success. NSW cancelled their first comp but had 9 teams on the Sunday. PCA squad had training on the Saturday on the same grounds and many stayed for the Sunday. SA have had a comp- Indiv and Teams- Lots of young riders turned up and there were 8 teams . This weekend they have a teams comp and then state teams before Nationals. Hope to have 8-9 teams at Nationals.		
11. Any Other business		Marc suggested that each branch assist AMGA. by giving them some money. Andrew said that the working committee could consider this. Maureen to send out a letter to the branches seeking expressions of interest in being on the working party.	Maureen	

Meeting closed: 10.52

Next Meeting: - March 25 8:30pm via Google Meet.