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Summary of the
the **Committee Meeting**

October 8, 2025

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie



Meeting opened at: 8:35

Present: Andrew Rodaughan, Ben Logue, Robyn Slater, Brad French , ScottieCruise, Angela Herzer, Sean Corbin, Jemima Gardiner, Maureen Purdie, Julie Chandler

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		Marc sent in apologies That Apologies be accepted Moved :Andrew Rodaughan Seconded Scottie Cruise Carried		
<u>2. Previous meeting minutes</u>	10mins	Moved that the minutes be accepted Moved: Robyn Slater Seconded: Brad French Carried Business arising from the minutes- Weather policies There wasn't enough on supporting riders We need to look at and update this. Robyn will look at it and asked if others had a chance to email her with suggestions. She will have something for the next meeting. Dates for next year- NSW long weekend in October will lock in. Scottie Albury-dates requested May 16 and 17 available. Hard for WA crew. Could do Friday as well but not a long weekend. March is a possibility also but heat can be a problem. We will try to coordinate state events so people can go to other branches.		

3. <u>Correspondence</u>	5mins	Warwick WTC Report - Andrew said we need to consolidate a list of recommendations. Andrew will go through recommendations in the report-Gear discussed Sean asked about differences in equipment overseas. We are about 90% in correlation. Andrew said that riders going over and ride in competitions will be more beneficial. We can't replicate all weather surfaces. Jemima said that the difference in technique for picking up the bigger equipment makes it difficult for our riders. Useful for international riders to have equipment up to standard. Brad said that with softer founders tubes we needed sand to hold them in place at Nations. Warwick development officer has AMGA's support to stand for this position. Steve Harney's letter - Shortie had spoken to him previously. Selectors to meet and discuss. Scottie's letter- PC has already run. He wanted to keep everyone up to date. It has been difficult. PC and MG offer different things and it is vital that the 2 organisations work together. Seem to be doing okay at the moment. Has been disappointed with what has happened since the incident. Julie said that maybe we could speak to the upper hierarchy of PC. Insurance renewal is done Angela re Coach insurance Intention to ride letter. Add re riders on loan ponies.		
4. Treasurer's Report  Treasurer's ...	5mins	Robyn read her report. Explained that it was at September 30. Alister has organised a discount for Xero. All Nations finalised. Most Worlds are in credit. HOY had not been finalised. All the riders for this in credit. Not for profit self assessment we are required to do. Maureen to ask if we can have another person authorised. All branches need to do it themselves. There is about 6,500 in the account from sponsorship for the rugs. Payments have been made for the rugs. Should be transferred to. Who has a list of the sponsors. Alister would know. Robyn will check in Xero. Shared between SA and Vic. Payment for the cost of transporting a trophy by Douglas Gosling? Robyn will follow up with Douglas. She will need a receipt or copy of his payment on his bank statement. She will also speak to the airline. The committee agreed to pay him back. Ben said the trophy is on its last legs. Needs to be replaced. Jemima has spoken to Chris. Angela said Nations one too needs replacing as it is very heavy.. Robyn suggested smaller ones for each rider. Public Liability has been paid today. Angela suggested putting the Certificate of Placement on the website. Moved: Robyn Slater Seconded: Andrew Rodaughan Carried		

5. International Competitions	Nations report- Very well run event by WA. May receive a report on 1 of our riders. Australia Gold was first by a long way. Australia Green came 4th. Helmet covers were an issue for the scorers. Good feedback from Chris, Margaret etc. Good committee and good helpers. People were just happy to help. About 3000 volunteer hours. Ponies went well, no major problems. No rider was seriously hurt. The weather was good. Financially they ended up with money in the bank. Able to pay pony lenders and should pay back pony fees to Australian riders. Excellent commentating from Brad. Brad said that the Committee had provided a great welcome. Maureen said the food was excellent as well. Accredited assistant referees was a bit of a problem. Needed to use lots of WA people who had riders riding. Shouldn't be up to the host country to supply them. HOY- Will we put out EOIs again. Issues that happened this year. Would be sad to stop it. A lot of U15 riders are going. Name team in mid November. To go out next week. Need to look at the selection process. Look to select Aust open team if not enough u 18 team . If someone is intending to coach at HOY they should let us know. What will we do if people apply to go to Worlds with their own horses- Some people are spending time overseas before or after worlds. Sourcing ponies ahead of time, some taking their own ponies. Need to look at our selection process in relation to this. Hard for selectors to take into account self sourced ponies because we don't know the pony. Do we wait until the horse is overseas? What do we do if the horse is then lame etc?		
6. International rep report	• AGM November 15th & 16th • Positions for reelection (close October 17th) 1. Chairman 2. Officer for Development-Warwick is nominating 3. Chief Referee • 2028 championships Host country nominations (Close Oct 17th) • Does Australia have anything to be discussed at the AGM?-Trophies, assistant refs • Info Re Bitless bridles. Side pull bridles have been used at the recent world and european championships. Approximately 6 horses competed in opens and U18s with only 1 horse showing signs of rubs. Still further investigating the use and safety of bitless bridles but I suspect they will become allowed per the tack rules in the near future. (Will need to look at our by-law if this happens)		
7. Respect	Need to keep working towards this. Need to keep reiterating that there is a code of behaviour. It stands for how we operate in relation to each other. People are still getting away with a lack of respect. Discuss at Selectors meeting. Members need to be good ambassadors for the sport..		

8. Australian Individuals		Games list- NSW is adjusting this so the sessions are balanced Referees- The list of available referees was discussed. Maureen and Ben to discuss with people and complete a final list. Jude to do a dinner - Confirming costs etc Fees confirming entry costs Will include 3 days camping, entry, medical \$120-\$140. \$25 per camp if they need extra nights. Will be confirmed this week. Prizes- Maureen explained Champion A and Reserve Champion sashes and rosettes-8th 3 tier rosettes Other finals 2 tier. Prizes for 1st to 3rd in the A final. Ben- Daniel and Gemma have offered to sponsor and supply a shirt for A finals open maybe more Give it a go.		
9. ATO and non profit organisations		Already discussed in the treasurer's report. Maureen to send to Branch secretaries.		
10.Gear		Bank board and hi-lo - are we going to run with low boards for u12s . For eg with ball and cone don't alter the cone. Some horses rub out or get spooked. Are we suggesting a change to keep like other age groups. Can be standard height with gear helper choosing Riders getting gear set- Why do we allow the equipment to be altered . It is only flags and association in the book that can be altered. Riders should ride to the equipment . Time is taken up. Is it worth putting to IMGA. Any referee is able to put in a rule request. Riders need to tell the helper ahead of time how they want their equipment. Unless the rules specifically says the rider can change it then all should be set up the same. Small PA used for AGM's.- Maureen explained the problems. Do we replace it? How much do we spend? Run past the treasurer. If she agrees then get one. Price 250-350 Merchandise- sample Jackets getting embroidered-Asked Ben to bring some examples of items to Braidwood. Jodie is looking into ordering through Promote it.		
11.Around the branches		WA-Angela asked about insurance re training days. Gow-gates need a document to say what qualifications. Vic has done some under the Pony Club banner. Angela and Maureen will try to put a document together. Senior riders are the people to train younger ones . Winding down Vic- Had a comp at weekend. Starting to come back. Individuals next weekend. A couple of new members. SA- 2 novices, 9 intermediates 2 opens. Winding down NSW- Great weekend at Woonona. Saturday Triple Crown Friendly teams comp on Sunday State indivs, Aust Indies, Camden comp. Everything is going well. Some new people and parents and siblings are coming along.		

12. Any other business		Nil		

Meeting closed:

Next Meeting: - 11:25 pm via Google Meet. Tuesday Oct 28.