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Summary of
the **Committee Meeting**
held **February 9, 2023**

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie - Secretary



Meeting opened at: 8:35

Present: Maureen Purdie, Andrew Rodaughan, Lauren Bingley, Scott Cruise, Marc Fraser, Sean Corbin, Warwick Slade

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		Alistair Ling, George MacMillan Moved that Apologies be accepted: Andrew Rodaughan Seconded Lauren Bingley Carried		
<u>2. Previous meeting minutes</u>	10mins	Moved that the minutes be accepted Moved: Maureen Purdie Seconded: Andrew Rodaughan Carried Business arising from the minutes- Maureen sent out what is sent in for compliance re development.		
<u>3. Correspondence</u>	5mins	Maureen read the attached correspondence. No questions.		
4. Treasurer's Report	5mins	AI absent- Maureen reported that these were the balances as of today Term Deposit \$84356.90 General account 48968.71.		
5. Selections for Worlds 2023		All riders and coaches were notified and have accepted their positions. Lauren asked about team managers. Put out an expression of interest. Lauren asked if coaches could have a say in the selection of the Team Manager. It was felt that this was		

		reasonable. Customise the form for Team Managers. Closing date March 9.		
6. Update on Australian Championships 2023		<p>Indis and Teams Wentworth NSW & SA meeting held a meeting a couple of days ago. Grounds are good. Entries up next week hopefully. Referee course? Warwick will run a referee course. Maureen to send to branches. Prizes- Individuals- Wool saddle cloths, Teams- A final- green and gold B and C finals Blue and Red Lauren asked about cameras for the start/ finish line. Warwick advised that we have these. Can they be used for live streaming? Needs a lap top and some software. Maureen suggested that riders are advised that breath testing will take place. Seeding process? Currently random initially and then seeding in Aus. Worlds heats are all random. Andrew asked if this was discussed at IMGA AGM. Warwick said that there was lots of discussion, no outcome. Andrew explained the other method of doing seeding, 'snake pattern': Heat 1: 1, 6, 7, 12 Heat 2: 2, 5, 8, 11 Heat 3: 3, 4, 9, 10 Lauren suggested that we try this. Pros and cons with every model. Andrew suggested try the 'snake' seeding for Individuals and pre-drawing for team. Agreed Sturt Hotel will cater for a dinner and a games /trivia night is planned as well.</p> <p>Pairs - Scott said trying to source a venue. Potentially he will negotiate with Benalla Polocrosse. Still up in the air a bit with Pony Club Nationals. WA looking to run at Benalla mid week. Warwick has spoken to the General Manager and he's taking it to the PC board.</p>		
7. Club respect		<p>Member protection policy- Do we need to add Attachment 1.1 to the membership/day membership sign up page on Event Secretary? Working with Children Checks?- It is important that people who are coaching, refereeing, team managing or on the committee have Working with Children checks or equivalent. AMGA will work towards all of these personnel having the checks. Coaches, managers and referees are the priority.</p>		
8. Worlds 2023 update		<p>Had offers of sponsorship Enquiries about packages for riders and other attendees. Registration of pool ponies: good uptake of interstate families, branches to keep following up. More marketing to come out. There were a few questions about the Worlds organising committee. Branch reps will be invited to the next meeting.</p>		

<p>9. International Rep report</p>		<p>Meeting was last Sunday. There was a lengthy discussion about France wanting world pairs 2025 and the suitability of their venue. Warwick missed the last part of the meeting but will check the minutes and get back if there are other important items. 2023 rulebook is now available. There was a post on the AMGA Facebook page of the updates. Clarifications on bank, rope, change of carton positions for individuals. A committee is looking at the length of individual races for horse welfare. Unwinding rule is still up for debate. We are supposed to have an inspection of our gear and venue before Worlds. We will probably be doing this via photos.</p>		
<p>10. AGM</p>		<p>Where? When? Have it at Nationals.? Many members there . Following riders' briefing on the the Friday night April 7. Notifications to be sent out by the end of the month. President, 2nd Vice president and treasurer up for election. Branches to prepare a Branch report. Online voting. Maureen to look into this. Non-riding members - is there a way to vet these a bit better in terms of what their link to MGA is? E.g. could we have a question when they join that is why do they want to join and which riding member or official are they affiliated with? Andrew said he didn't see that this would be a problem. Motion moved that new members have to have joined at least 2 weeks before the AGM in order to vote. Take it back to branches for discussion and decide next meeting</p>	<p>Branch reps</p>	
<p>11. Other international competitions</p>		<p>HOY- Team heading to NZ- We select a team to go over and we have individual Australian riders to go over on their own bat. They are supposed to let their branch know, plus they are possibly taking horses that may have been already taken. How can we handle this? Discussion followed. Nations- In December in South Africa. Flights expensive so send Applications out soon. Nations 2025 in WA. Putting together a proposal. Looking at having it an ag show. Do we have Aus riders riding their own horses. This is a decision we make. Any riders from East wanting to ride would then need to take their horses across.</p>	<p>Maureen</p>	
<p>12. Around the Branches</p>		<p>NSW- had their first comp at end of Jan, one this weekend, one at the end of Feb, Teams in March. Having a come and try class. AGM this weekend Vic- Having 3rd comp this weekend. Dis a Whittlesea Show demo . Had the area for a longer time. Come and Try as well but more for novice horses this weekend. WA- Had their busy bee, training coming up and in March pairs and AGM. Looking at new constitution that ties in with AMGA one. Worlds Committee hasn't been able to decide a price per horse for assisting in getting horses there. Suggested that AMGA commit some of their money. Andrew said that pricing needs to be on</p>		

		the agenda for the next meeting. Sean suggested that we do a km rate. Scottie said that sponsorship could help. Possible amounts \$1000 WA, \$300 for NSW \$200 SA. Needs to be discussed with Alister.		
13. Any Other business		Event Secretary enquiries: Some NSW people have had issues with adding more than 2 members as family members, also can we prevent people from ticking AMGA membership unless they are actually joined up? Warwick said this feature can be turned on but a lot of clubs opt to have it off so members can enter and then sort the membership later. He needs to know what the issues with doing the family memberships are.		

Meeting closed: 10:35 pm

Next Meeting: March 16-Thursday