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Summary of the
the **Committee Meeting**

March 10, 2026

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie



Meeting opened at: 8.38

Present: Maureen, Sean, Ben, Jemima, Angela, Scottie, Brad

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		Marc Fraser, Robyn Slater That Apologies be accepted Moved : Maureen Purdie Seconded Julie Chandler Carried Angela filling in as WA rep until new rep elected.		

<p>2. Previous meeting minutes</p>	<p>10mins</p>	<p>Moved that the minutes be accepted Moved: Maureen Purdie Seconded: Scott Cruise Carried</p> <p>Business arising from the minutes-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ATO NFP-. No response still- Log in to see if they have given me access - . Facebook accounts - AMGA to reach out to members seeking support in sorting the FB accounts, removing old inactive accounts etc. - Ben has spoken to a couple of people and suggested we talk to them at Australian Champs. Jemima said people don't send through content. A group was set up but not really active at the moment. Inactive accounts- make a post asking if people have a problem with them being removed and then try to get them removed. - LOGO- files- Need to ask people who can do these. -Widu's request- Maureen forgot. Will try to get something done soon -Colour of jodhpurs- AngelaHerzer Moved a motion (Seconded Julie Chandler) Dark navy jodhpurs or breeches are also allowed to be worn . Blue jeans are not allowed. 1 against Carried -Updated By-laws https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VIfGeG8s3uNCe8I2Xw_0IOxrYAz0n7-bVVACpD20yQc/edit?usp=sharing Discussion on WWCC- Ben raised a motion "By 30 Sept all Coaches working with riders under 18 who aren't family members must have a WWCC. All committee members of AMGA and all AMGA Branch Committee members must also have a WWC by this date . Seconded Julie Chandler All in favour 	<p>Maureen ask on Facebook</p>	
<p>3. Correspondence</p>	<p>5mins</p>	<p>WA re Coaches insurance Royal Welsh- Gemma, Em Conn, Em Gasparre ,Olly Conn, Georgia Bissicks Race Cards- check some inaccurate Coaches on the field-non family member- See above Maureen Contact Rebecca Wadell re WWCC</p>		
<p>4. Treasurer's Report</p>	<p>5mins</p>	<p>Nil Treasurer report as Robyn sick Robyn had let the committee know that debtors owed \$1471.71. Lower than she had recalled at the last meeting.</p>		

<p>5. International rep report</p>	<p>IMGA Rep Report 10/03/2026</p> <p>Report from IMGA meeting 21st Feb</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A candidate does not need to resign from their current role prior to nominating for a different position on the board. ● Change to the role description of the vice chair. The vice chair ‘supports’ the chairman. Previous wording was, the vice chair ‘shares’ the role. ● Development report due March 31st - competitive participation score & Unique competitive riders. <p>Southern Hemisphere Trophy Upgrade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New plate style with previous winners engraved, and new travel case ● Cost approximately \$150 aud for our share. <p>Nations sub committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Updated IMGA hosting document ‘Annex 7: Nations Teams Championship’ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Host countries should aim to host between September - October ● Competing countries should send 2 qualified assistant referees & 2 arena crew members ● Host countries should train and qualify sufficient assistant referees ● Attending countries must respond to host country organisers within timelines provided. ● Info for NTC 2026 will be out soon, and EOI for the UN team will also be out soon. <p>Updated race rule - Four Flag Runner (Pairs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Previously there was no specific wording stating that rider 1 must pass a flag to rider2. The wording has been updated to state that Rider 1 must now pass a flag to rider 2. 		
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<p>6. Respect</p>		<p>Angela said that some of the riders are not showing respect. Wears the committee down. Going to have a rider briefing at the next comp and explain what is expected of riders. Keep working on it. We need to work together at the Australian Championships. Vic are doing some work on this this week and having a rider briefing before individuals. SA stopped a competition mid-session and reminded people that the committee and helpers were volunteers and comps would not be run if the disrespect continued. If riders want to go overseas they need to understand that behaviour plays a part in their selection.</p>		
<p>7. Weather policy</p>		<p>w Hot_weather_Policy_Draft.docx Heat Tool https://sma.org.au/resources/policies- and-guidelines/hot-weather/</p> <p>Possible alternate Weather policy https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vOxSINondpG3Z5VBjkBgWiQ8Of59XDUz7ZQZsvGDARw/edit?usp=sharing</p> <p>Ben said. Nothing has been done yet. Vic were watching the temperatures at their comp. It was very hot the first day but didn't reach any thresholds. Didn't have to stop, but everyone was tired and hot Ben- the biggest thing is If it is at a friendly comp it is easy to say ok lets stop and go to the pool. But the real problem is at Championships when people have travelled a long way. There should be an ambient temperature the committee can, on Thursday say, we are cancelling. Can use wet bulb when we are at competitions and can make decisions based on various factors. Ben will work on this with Craig for the next meeting</p>	<p>Ben/Craig</p>	<p>Next meeting</p>

<p>8. International Competitions</p>		<p>1) Ben will Coach Worlds Open Team David accepted the Travelling Reserve position. Team Manager application has been sent out. Nothing received. Send a reminder</p> <p>2) Royal Welsh Team selected- Em, Olly, Gemma, Georgia, Em- Applications for Team Manager and Coach has gone out Nothing received. Send a reminder</p> <p>3) Nations- When will we put out applications- As soon as possible. Nations is in October. April 1 closing date.</p> <p>We need to be understanding if people want to pull out of any of these comps due to the overseas situation.</p>		
<p>9. AGM</p>		<p>Notice of AGM has gone out- Voting if needed - How do we do this? Maureen and Sean to look into this. Meeting link . Maureen to send out closer to the date. Brad said that we can ask for expressions of interest in the President position as it is half way term. We don't have to have an election until the President is next due to be elected. Brad to talk to Nick about this to clarify it.</p>	<p>Maureen Sean</p>	

<p>10. Insurance for Coaches</p>		<p>From WA</p> <p>1)How many coaches are you looking to get cover for? – Maximum 4 to 6 per training day. 2) Is it just the Liability; if they were to injure a third party or are you looking to cover them if they get injured? Yes - we would want cover for coaches as well as third parties. 3)What level of qualifications will all coaches have? -Completion of Assistant Referee and Sports Integrity courses as well as working with Children Check if over 18 years old. 4)How will you ensure they maintain CPD/ongoing training, what risk management will be put in place to monitor this? – The coaches would be overseen by a level 1 NCAS/Pony Club Coach. Ensure a qualified First Aider is present at all times. They would provide feedback to coaches when required. 5) Will they be a volunteer or will you be paying them / employing them / how does it work? – They would be volunteers in the capacity of giving back to and growing the sport. 6)With respect to the level 1 NCSA or a PCA Instructors won't they already have insurance with their associations or is it the senior riding members who will be conducting the training that you are chasing the cover for? – Senior Riding Members and or parents who have the correct qualifications. Pony Club Insurance wouldn't cover it as it is not a Pony Club Event. 7)If it is the senior riding members conducting the training, what level of qualification will they have in place and how do you monitor and ensure they are qualified to conduct the training? – See above in Question 3 answers.</p> <p>Good starting point. Will Maureen send it through. We will send it and see what they come back with</p>		
<p>11. Wentworth</p>		<p>Update- Coming along. Trailer ordered. Yards organised. Sue is approaching local businesses for sponsorship and then we will open it up to members. St John's is \$10,000 . Trying to get locals for the job . Haven't heard back from the vets. Feeds organised. Entries open. Still no prices on dinner so not on Event Secretary yet. Brad's concern is fuel prices and possible lack of fuel. Some people will make the decision not to go. Others will go because it is expected. And others because they want to. A lot can happen in 4 weeks. Need to be mindful of the entries. We need to work out how many entries we need to cover costs. We could see a lot of changes in the next few weeks. We need to look after our members.</p>		

<p>12.Around the branches</p>		<p>Vic- 2 events- Indi, pairs. Last Pairs did 4 indis races. Good feedback. Both were well attended. SA- Last comp was cancelled due to a high temp forecast . State champs coming up NSW- Triple crown last weekend. State next weekend. We are running the whole games list WA - Had comp last weekend. Marc has stepped away. Will be missed. AGM put off until May Vic- used Event Secretary for Scoring. Warwick has developed this. Simpler than MG scoreboards. Can record why a rider was eliminated . You can populate it straight from entries. Last weekend there was an issue. When they scratched a horse at the second comp it through the whole program out. We don't know yet if there will be a cost.</p>		
<p>13. Any other business</p>		<p>Merchandise- Ben has designed some hats. Jackets going well. Was going to put the orders out and take to Wentworth but will wait until we know what is happening Worlds group would like to run a canteen on the side-lines. Maureen bought the new flag and 2 collapsible poles. Will put in a claim for this and postage. Julie- asked about Clips on a martingale and if they needed to be taped. Jemima explained the reasoning and said all clips must be taped. Sean- Asked Scottie if there is a race list started for Australian Pairs. Scottie replied that they are having a meeting soon and they will get onto it.</p>		

Meeting closed: 10.58

Next Meeting: - via Google Meet. Tuesday Next week.