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Summary of

the **Committee Meeting**

held **March 23, 2023**

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie - Secretary



Meeting opened at: 8:35

Present: Andrew Rodaughan, Maureen Purdie, Brad French, Lauren Bingley, George MacMillan, Sean Corbin, Marc Fraser, Alister Ling, Scott Cruise

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		No apologies Moved that Apologies be accepted: Seconded Carried Andrew welcomed Brad back		
2. Previous meeting minutes	10mins	Moved that the minutes be accepted Moved: Maureen Purdie Seconded: Andrew Rodaughan Carried Business arising from the minutes- All items to be followed up are in the agenda		
3. Correspondence	5mins	Maureen read correspondence- and read out Phil's email, Bec Sanford's email- Issues to follow up -team names, Horse soundness, swearing, George explained that the team name was done in jest and they had a mascot. Other names were deemed to be unsuitable too. Andrew suggested that Branch reps speak to teams and ask if the image portrayed is what they want. In social media and over the PA these come over as unsuitable. If we can't get teams to see the bigger picture, we will have to put guidelines in place to make sure names of teams are appropriate. Look at putting something in the Code of Conduct. Committee to think of how to include this. Swearing- Riders can be yellow carded, At briefing this needs to be discussed.		

		<p>Lameness- It would be good to have a vet at all events. Referee at the moment it states in the rules the referee makes the decision. If we have vets or first aiders as part of membership, we should use them. Necessary to have a first aid officer at least. Maureen reminded the committee that accident forms need to be sent through to AMGA and then forwarded to insurer.</p> <p>Maureen to draft letters of response to Phil and Bec.</p>	Maureen	
4. Treasurer's Report	5mins	<p>. Alister's report attached.</p> <p>Moved that Alister Ling Seconded Sean Corbin Carried</p>		
5. Selections for Worlds 2023		<p>lan's letter Maureen read the letter out. Andrew spoke about the selection criteria document. Accusation of selectors doing deals is unjustified. All riders meet the criteria as do many others. Selectors interpretation. Sean suggested a selectors meeting with Maureen and Andrew present so they can respond to this.</p> <p>AMGA is behind its selectors.</p> <p>Breanna's request for feedback from Selectors needs response as well</p> <p>We need to draft a letter.</p> <p>Will we name another reserve? Yes</p> <p>Selectors will look at riders again at Nationals.</p> <p>The selectors' meeting will be scheduled for after Wentworth</p>		
6. Update on Australian Championships 2023		<p>Wentworth - 97 riders entered in total</p> <p>Individuals entries 83 riders total into 13 heats Open - 28 riders, 4 heats of 7, A and B final U18 - 14 riders, 2 heats of 7, A and B final 25 and Over - 15 riders, 2 heats of 7 and 8, A and B final U15 - 19 riders, 2 heats of 6 and one of 7, A and B final U12 - 9 riders, 2 heats of 4 and 5, A final 9 heats of finals</p> <p>Teams entries 91 riders total 19 teams into 3 heats with 6,6,7 A final of 8 teams B and C final do we do 8 and 3, 7 and 4, 6 and 5?</p>		

		<p>This discussion has gone around branches before - Under IMGA minimum 3 in lower final. Andrew said fill the A with 8. Then we could see where the biggest score gap is which means awards can't be decided. All agreed that it was too difficult. Suggested tiered 8,7,4 Andrew said that if you have 3 in the lowest final if one team drops out before the final then you still take 3 into the lowest final. Consensus was reached.</p> <p>State of Origin Trophy This was discussed Adds a good element and fun. All riders would be involved. See if we can get more interaction between branches.</p> <p>Dinner is on the Thursday night The Committee has approved the Games list but we will only run 6 games per session for individuals due to time constraints with the number of heats.</p> <p>Pairs- Scottie will speak to the Committee at Wentworth</p>		
7. Club respect		<p>We need to have a Welfare officer in the policy- Each Branch to have one and should have one at National events as well. They will be there to look after the welfare of both horse and rider when necessary Breathalyser will be used at the Australian Championships. Brad raised the point of drinking especially with Under age riders. The alcohol policy is to be enforced. Brad asked about checking stirrups and helmets. Each branch is responsible for letting riders know what is acceptable and should check helmets and the referee is back up and can inspect at any time. The referee can do a check of stirrups at the beginning of session 1.</p>		
8. Worlds 2023 update		<p>Sponsorship- Alister has put together this list. All committee members to look at it and let Andrew know their thoughts- Team Managers- Committee decided not to accept J Hamblin as she is not known to riders and not a member. Robyn has applied to do Junior team. Open up at Wentworth for more applicants. Ask at Wentworth for someone to step in and assist with Junior team. Try to get more interest drummed up in the next week. Agreed that applications would be extended for another week. If no other applications, it would stay open at Wentworth where people can be encouraged to apply.</p>		
9. International		Warwick Not present		

Rep report				
10. AGM		<p>1) Motion moved "That new members have to join at least two weeks before the AGM in order to vote", Held over until the next meeting. Vic in favour, other branches need to discuss before this can be passed and there is not enough time now before the AGM to have anything go through.</p> <p>2) Voting - All AMGA members 16 and above are eligible to vote. Intention to vote at the meeting must be received at info@australianmga.com no less than 24 hours before the meeting. Maureen to bring screen etc.</p> <p>Andrew reminded the Branch reps about reports. Andrew is happy to nominate for another 2 year period.</p>		
11. Other international competitions		<p>Hoy was cancelled. Will need to send invoices/refunds. Nations- no applications</p>		
12. By-laws update		<p>It has been long understood that branches have autonomy in how they run their competitions. Can this be added to our By-laws? - Lauren raised this issue. Obviously not contravening IMGA and AMGA rules/policies. We feel the scope for that may be there but can tighten up in the by-laws</p>		
13. Around the Branches		<p>Due to time this was left until the next meeting.</p>		
Any Other business		<p>Maureen reminded branches that they need to send the committee list through once they have their AGM. Maureen will send an official letter to Annie re now first reserve.</p>		

Meeting closed: 10.52 pm

Next Meeting: AGM