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Minutes of the
the **Committee Meeting**

April 25, 2024

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie



Meeting opened at: 8:32

Present: Andrew Rodaughan, Maureen Purdie, Brad French, Sean corbin, Ben Logue ,Scott Cruise, Warwick Slade, Katrina Lloyd, Marc Fraser

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		Al Ling, Lesley Bakker That Apologies be accepted Moved :Andrew Rodaughan Seconded Scott Cruise Carried		
<u>2. Previous meeting minutes</u>	10mins	Moved that the minutes be accepted Moved: Andrew Rodaughan Seconded: Maureen Purdie Carried Business arising from the minutes- Andrew asked Warwick if the proposal that all countries ride pool ponies at Nations competitions has been discussed yet. Warwick said that there has not been a Nations meeting since our las meeting. .		

<p>3. <u>Correspondence</u></p>	<p>5mins</p>	<p>Email from R Devitt re Event Secretary- his membership, download of a report tabling all events (types and number in attendance) for compliance, ability for non members to tick the membership box and ride at the non member price. Warwick said to write to him re these issues. If downloading a list of competitions and numbers of riders at the competitions is something that the other user groups would need then Event Secretary can do it and absorb the costs, but if only AMGA they would have to give us a quote on the cost. He asked tht we send him an email detailing these things.</p> <p>Max's email https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aWJRRW1P6g4QDgdp3K8pRR9RFDRCh3pO/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>Andrew said that we need to answer the issues, Sean said WA need answers too . NSW half are ok with the financials after Worlds and are happy to move on, but the other half want answers. Their questions are very similar to Max's . Scott said that no one in Vic is asking questions and Katrina said she hasn't heard anything from other SA members. Maureen said that sent out the draft minutes of the AGM with links to the Financial Reports and the WTC report.</p> <p>Costings for each item (eg, accommodation, Ground costs etc) are in the report.. Lots of the costings came through only a couple of weeks before Worlds was held and it was just a matter of we have to have it so pay it..</p> <p>Andrew said that he wants the committee to read through WTC report and Max's letter. We can then discuss it thoroughly and reply to Max..</p> <p>There was discussion on whether we should get an external auditor. Ben says that he gets lost with reading the financial report. Doesn't seem to match up totally with some of things Alister said at the AGM. It was a concern that the cost of getting an auditor would be too expensive. It was decided that we would ask AL to get a couple of quotes.</p> <p>We would like to have confidence that we know the current financial position Said that we need to meet and just discuss the finances.</p> <p>Suggestions from Warwick and referees Safeguarding Children Course- Warwick said that it was identified by a Royal Commission that one of the main areas where children are abused is in sport. Should be mandatory for those taking riders overseas and referees.</p> <p>Sometimes things we see as normal are a starting point for grooming children. This includes things like taking a rider to training and interactions between a person of authority on social media. He said that the course takes about three hours in total and it does not have to be completed in one go.</p> <p>Andrew said that we could make this a By-Law. Coaches going overseas and referees should have to do it. It was discussed that Coaches on the field and committee members should also do it. It was decided that we need to do it steadily.</p>	<p>Maureen (done)(and Ron) to email ES</p> <p>Whole committee review report. determine if this provides sufficient answers</p> <p>Alister to get quotes for audit</p> <p>Introduce safeguarding children program into AMGA - add to bylaws</p>	
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4. Treasurer’s Report	5mins	<p>Nil as Alister away. Brad said that he had noticed in the Treasurer’s report that SA still owed money for the yards. He thought that this had been fixed as they don’t owe any money for yards. It needs to be fixed. Bras to send email to Al to rectify the error.</p>	Brad	
5.Aus Championships		<p>Debrief on Wentworth Brad’s report https://docs.google.com/document/d/1op_X3KxmPI-YnQbp3ZvjxW7ZFYwRUs52/edit?usp=sharing&oid=109225400130981121180&rtpof=true&sd=true</p> <p>Max’s referee report https://drive.google.com/file/d/19wIQMOceYlXQxktaVE0qkf7mrJYOIIE/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>Vic Feed back</p>		

	<p>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1S3oPgvZ0iMKhbdniAJC_7IHjCrCPBuaq/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>Discuss in full at next meeting Sean's report is at end of correspondence. Divisions worked well. Everyone was in the appropriate division. After the event it was noted that some people had left manure up against trees and sheds and there were tyre marks on new concrete. Brad stated that we need to leave everything as it was when we arrived so we can continue using Wentworth. Ben said that we need to look at safety concerns- run off box, looking down, inexperienced coaches, collecting gear from riders, inappropriate footwear, helmet straps not done up. It was stated that education of the riders needs to be done at Branches. Breathtesting was done on Sunday- Maureen stated that we need a sheet to record assistant referees etc when they are done... As for inexperienced Coaches on the field it was stated that you can't become experienced if you don't do it (need ass referees course)- All agreed</p> <p>Updating/cleaning/fixing trophies; -Andrew said that he had been contacted by a member asking about a trophy. Brad suggested that we should collect the the trophies for display at ll championships. Maureen asked who would collect them at the end of the competition and ensure they got to the next championship. It was suggested that they could be taking by a person the branch holding the next championship nominates and could be kept in their trailer. There were some issues with this. No decision was made.</p> <p>A motion was moved that- anyone on the field directly interacting with riders being required to be a member of AMGA. Trainers are on the field and influence the outcome of the race, as such they are part of the team (they can be yellow/red carded and can have the team eliminated). So for all purposes they are competing. If they are competing then they should be members) . And have done the Assistant referee course. Be a financial member by Ballarat. Move Maureen Seconded Sean - All in favour</p> <p>Planning for Individuals- Entries closed on Sunday. 3 late entries . They were put on a wait list , one was accepted as there was room in heat. They are running 2 rings.Ring 1 U18s Opens, Ring 2 others.. Victoria have started a facebook page for the event. An email had been sent to entered riders. Scottie has asked Victorian members to fill in as many times as possible . Arrivals on Thursday and leaving on Monday all ok. Race list has gone out. Referees- 1* referees can do U12, U15, U18 heat and Opens with a 3* or 4* referee as a mentor. They will move around. Most of this will be on Saturday. Semi finals info will be sent out. It was discussed that a whistle could be used in one arena and air horn in the other.</p>	<p>Send as an email to Secs, branches to follow up with safety concerns</p> <p>Email to branches re: coaches being members of AMGA</p>	
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6. International Rep report		<p>There has been no IMGA meeting since our last Committee meeting. The rules committee have approved a new race for individuals . It is called Ball Swap and is run like Bottle Swap.</p>		
7. Nominations/election of new International Rep		<p>No nominations for International Rep have come through . Andrew thanked Warwick for his work as International rep for the last 4 years. Warwick said he is happy be to be the person that Chris pesters in the meantime. We will keep the advertising for the position going. Warwick said that he will attend the IMGA meeting in July at WTC. He will get Ben to attend as well.</p>		
8. Selection procedures		<p>Ben has taken it back to NSW. A couple of members were happy to help put it together. It was decided that we need to have a separate meeting to finalise this. Scott took it back to his branch and had one response. It was suggested that 2 or 3 from each branch get together and finalise this.</p>		
9. AGM		<p>Debrief. Covered most in previous discussions re financials. It was said that reports should be accessible prior to the meeting. Andrew suggested that we have the reports all in a week before the meeting. The Committee agreed to this It was suggested that we need technology to allow those who are calling in to participate more equally . Maureen said that we have the projector and screen and a speaker with a microphone that can be used. It was decided that we should nominate someone to be the person who monitors those ringing in during the meeting.</p>		Next AGM
10. Concussion Policy for Australian Mounted Games Association 2024.docx		<p>Maureen explained the changes were minor. Mainly a difference in the time a rider is out if they suffer a suspected concussion. She has added CRT6 but has also left in the link to CRT5 as it a concise summary of the steps. We will vote on this at the next meeting</p>	Branches to discuss adopting updated concussion policy	
11. Forward		<p>Andrew has a couple of people who have expressed interest in joining the forward planning</p>	get names	

Planning Committee		committee. He would like to have it happen straight after Indi. It was felt that we need Alister there in early stages to explain things. There was a suggestion that we can split the costs of insurance between branches. The committee should be made up of 2 or 3 members from each branch. Maureen said she is happy to take the minutes.	for this committee, put together at next meeting	
12. Around the Branches		WA is having a comp-indis this weekend. Suggested that we add a new game called Twitter. They will send through. SA Held state india on Saturday and pairs on Sunday. Their May comp is Indis and pairs NSW- No comp in April due to wet weather. Will have comp the weekend after Indis Vic- . State Indis at Ballarat last weekend, getting ready for Aust Indis		
13. Any Other business		Brad said that they are looking at top dressing the Wentworth ground, Will need money to do this.		

Meeting closed: 11:10

Next Meeting: -23rd May 8:30pm via Google Meet.