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Summary of
the **Committee Meeting**

May 28, 2026

Time: 8.30pm (EST)

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie



Meeting opened at: 8.35

Present: Maureen Purdie, Sean Corbin, BradFrench, Scottie Cruise, Ben Logue, Robyn Slater, Laragh O'Dell, Stacey McMullen, Jemima Gardiner, Julie Chandler

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. Apologies:		That Apologies be accepted Angela Herzer Moved : Maureen Purdie Seconded : Scottie Cruise Carried Laragh was welcomed as new NSW rep		

<p>2. Previous meeting minutes</p>	<p>10mins</p>	<p>Moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted Moved: Maureen Purdie Seconded: Julie Chandler Carried</p> <p>Business arising from the minutes-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Weather policy-https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vOxSINondpG3Z5VBjkBgWiQ8Of59XDUz7ZQZsvGDARw/edit?usp=sharing Ben is still working on this. Asked for help. He only has to put in fire ban information in. 2) WWCC Get these rules out to all members. WWCC can be entered on Event Secretary. 		
<p>3. Correspondence</p>	<p>5mins</p>	<p>1) -Warwick's motion"Before the commencement of the first race of the session riders are not to enter the Playing Area unless instructed by the referee. Offending riders will be issued a Yellow Card."</p> <p>The committee decided that this depends on the venue and the available warm up area and is up to the organisers and referee if they allow this. It should be announced.</p> <p>2)-Warwick- I think it should be discussed whether a reserve has to commit to travel or not. There are many months for a rider to get injured and for the reserve to come in. I don't believe the reserve should have to commit to travelling as the cost is quite inhibitive for only a very small return.</p> <p>Once the event starts we should have a statement that if a horse goes lame what the replacement process is if the reserve has travelled and already has a pony.Maybe a general statement that the reserve should be included in all activities/meetings/etc that the team should have.</p> <p>This had been answered through email and whether we select a reserve or a travelling receive will be looked at for next year</p> <p>3)in Connor IMGGA re New IMGGA Development and Promotion Guides. It was decided to forward this to Branches and once the committee has had a chance to discuss it we will decide to put it on the facebook page.</p>		

<p>4. Treasurer's Report</p>	<p>5m ins</p>	<p>w April/May 2026, Treasurer's Report AMGA.docx</p> <p>That the Treasurer's report be accepted Robyn said that she hasn't paid Royal Welsh and Nations yet as she doesn't have all the information needed by the bank to do an international transfer. This has been requested. She has sent to Scottie a list of those she thinks were sponsors for Wentworth last year so that he can confirm it and then she will refund the money to the Branch/es. Ben spoke to a members father re a payment made in error. Communication appeared to be the issue. Robyn moved a motion that the above debt be cancelled. Seconded Ben Carried</p> <p>That the Treasurer's report be accepted Moved Robyn Slater Seconded. Scottie Cruise Carried</p>		
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<p>5. International rep report</p>	<p>From Jemima</p> <p>Nations Ocala Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Still waiting to hear back from USA reps regarding information about the event.• There is now a website and social media pages accessible with information about the venue.• There have been discussions regarding concerns with the price of loan ponies for the event which has not been confirmed. The nations sub committee is trying to organise a time to meet with the USA rep.• The UN team's proposed make up is 2 Aus riders, 2 NZ riders, and 1 Canadian rider. AUS and NZ riders have been confirmed just awaiting confirmation on the CAN rider. <p>New Southern Hemisphere Trophy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Looks incredible• Weighs only 1.2kg!!! (the previous trophy weighed 9.5kg)• Invoice has been forwarded (£92.33) <p>Robyn has paid this</p> <p>IMGA meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awaiting minutes• Composite team initiative. Giving more young riders the opportunity to compete internationally. While only national teams are eligible to win the championship title, composite teams will have the opportunity to compete. Only riders from nations who have not achieved a podium placing at European teams, whose country does not already have an U12s team entered, and who has permission from their country can form a U12s composite team. <p>Maureen explained that AMGA had decided that U12s could wait until later they will have making the U18s team something to look forward to. We won't push this at this stage</p> <p>Stacey asked about social media page that Jemima mentioned there was a social media page</p>		
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		for the Nations competition.		
6. Respect		Robyn was impressed with the Coaches of riders at Pairs They were very respectful. Maureen also agreed with this. Julie Chandler felt that everyone was.		

<p>7. Australian Championships Debrief</p> <p>And discussion on other Championships this year.</p>	<p>Referees' reports were received from Maureen and Robyn</p> <p>Robyn said that Questions to consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Should the Chief Referee be coaching or should someone else be the Chief Referee if they are coaching? <p>Robyn had asked the Commentator at Pairs to announce that Coaches should not have their phones out on the arena until the whistle blows to signal the end of the race. One coach did take his phone out while 2 riders were still on the field</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Should there be a rule about coaches and the use of phones? 3. At a National Championship, should a referee of an age group or the Chief Referee be changed once the competition has commenced? (unless there are extenuating circumstances) <p>NSW from meeting-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Laragh is our new Under 18 selector. *They asked the question " Would it be a benefit for branches to have 2 selectors each." *They suggested that AMGA do the race lists for all Championships at the start of year * There was concern that the running order for the Finals should have been changed due to the weather forecast and the wishes of the members. *Assistant referees were a problem in that many did not turn up . People just don't read the information sent out. We need to work out a way to handle this going forward.. <p>At International competitions you have to provide an assistant ref for 2 sessions after you ride. Equipment ran a lot better than it did at Braidwood. Only works because of the way heats and sessions are run.</p> <p>Julie said that a lot of times gear runners didn't turn up when it was their turn and someone else set up for them but if it is said "no gear runner no race" their might be a better response.</p> <p>Scottie suggested That AMGA should appoint the Ground Jury prior to the event.</p> <p>Maureen said The Victorian organising committee had done a great job in organising and running the event . The issues mentioned are for growth of all championships.</p> <p>Scottie said 3 day format is working well. Surface was different than he remembered. The Canteen was a huge fundraising effort. Most food etc was donated.</p> <p>There was an issue with a horse on the field on Saturday. Due to a variety of issues the vet had to step away and not assess the horse. We need to have rules in place to deal with these situations.</p>		
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8. AGM		<p>Maureen said that AGM was held at Albury. Sean Corbin is our new president, Maureen Purdie remains as Secretary, After discussion and having received no further nominations from the floor, Ben Logue's nomination was accepted and he was appointed 1st Vice President.</p> <p>Arising from the AGM</p> <p>Georgie Cridge has asked if she can attend Committee meetings and shadow the secretary. Reply was yes.</p> <p>Brad said that when we have a link to the meeting and people are making comments from the venue they need people to identify themselves.</p> <p>-Membership of Australian Sporting Commission This has been raised again. Maureen to contact The Australian Sports Commission and find out the criteria for becoming a member</p>	Maureen Georgie	
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<p>9. International comps</p>		<p>The entries for Worlds are paid . Nations and RW are not paid yet due to lack of information for the bank Uniform orders will go out soon for Nations Only 2 of the Nations riders have paid their deposits. Maureen to follow up UN team will 2 have 2 Aust riders in it. Maureen to send out letters to say they are selected. Maureen to put out an application for a coach for the Australian team..</p>		<p>Done</p>
<p>10.Around the branches</p>		<p>SA Cancelled last comp. Was close to Nationals. June comp coming up. Murray Bridge for most of the year. Good rep at Albury\ WA- AGM Sean Pre, Tash- Treasurer, Stacey 1st Vice Pres, Richard 2nd president some new members. Had Pairs Champs india events Vic- Had AGM some new committee members, busy with Albury Had state pairs NSW- held state pairs. Numbers down due to petrol .Grat event Well represented at Pairs Wagga coming up.</p>		

<p>11. Any other business</p>		<p>Robyn would like suggest that we have a Treasurer's email. It may take some pressure off the Secretary. The committee agreed to this. Robyn will contact JD Stride.</p> <p>Need to follow up on HOY reports from Team Manager and Coach.</p> <p>Expectations of both Coach and Team Manager were done by Ben and Andrew last year. Maureen to find this and send it link to Ban</p> <p>Sean said that we should look at updating the By- Laws</p> <p>And he asked if we should keep doing the last Thursday of the month for our meetings. Yes</p>		<p>Done</p>
<p>13.</p>				

Meeting closed: 10.37

Next Meeting: Next June 25 - via Google Meet.