



# The Australian Mounted Games Association Inc

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Summary of  
the **Committee Meeting**  
held **September 22, 2022**

**Time: 8.30pm (EST)**

via Google meet

Minutes taken by Maureen Purdie - Secretary



**Meeting opened at: 8:30pm**

**Present:** Andrew Rodaughan, Warwick Slade. Maureen Purdie, Sean Corbin, George MacMillan, Marc Fraser, Alister Ling, Caitlan Lloyd.

Agenda Item	Time	Discussion/Outcome	Action: By whom	By when
1. <b>Apologies:</b>		Lauren Bingley, Scott Cruise That Apologies be accepted Moved Andrew Rodaughan Seconded Marc Fraser Carried		
2. <a href="#">Previous meeting minutes</a>	5mins	<p>Moved that the minutes be accepted  <b>Moved:</b> Maureen Purdie <b>Seconded:</b> Andrew Rodaughan Carried</p> <p><b>Business arising from the minutes-</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Sports Entegrity- Link to member Protection possibly. No one has done any more on this.</li> <li>-Insurance- Reminder to send accidents through to Maureen. Any incidents where you need to call first aid need to be reported.</li> <li>-Australian Champs 2023- Dates- Maureen had spoken to NSW saying Max needs dates. NSW to speak to SA. Frid 7th&amp;Monday 10th April holidays. Possibly Individuals first? AI said that for better entry rate teams over longer time off period so may be first. NSW, Vic, WA school holidays start 7th, SA a week later. Pairs- Oct? In Vic- Issue with PCA as to when they will have Nationals. Needs to be confirmed. Sean thinks 2-5 Oct. They are seeing the CEO to see if they can run in Victoria. Follow up at the next meeting</li> <li>-Funding of selectors to travel to other Branches. - Andrew sent an email re this. Branches fund half and AMGA fund half. To fly from/to WA is approx \$1200. The committee was happy to accept the expenses.</li> </ul> <p>Moved Andrew Seconded Maureen carried.</p>	NSW and SA to work on this.	

<p><b>3.</b> <a href="#">Correspondence</a></p>	<p>5mins</p>	<p>Maureen read the attached correspondence. Andrew Asked about the invoices for Worlds teams. Al replied that would get them out soon. This means the extra uniform costs can be included.</p>		
<p><b>4. Treasurer's report</b></p>	<p>5mins</p>	<p>Al reported that everything is locked down at Werribee and AMGA got an invoice for the deposit for Worlds and that has been paid. Warwick asked if the World's account has been opened yet. Al explained that he had done the applications but needed more information. He sent that through but will have to follow it up as he has heard nothing since.</p>		
<p><b>5. Selections for Worlds 2023</b></p>		<p>Committee discussed and agreed that those that were received a day late due to technical problems should be accepted. All selectors will be at Aus Indis. Andrew told George that time needs to be set aside for the selectors to watch the riders when they are not Assistant refereeing etc.. Maureen asked if we would need to find a way to identify the riders. Andrew said that using the hat covers listed on the program/scoring sheet would mean that the selectors would be able to identify them.</p>		
<p><b>6. Update on Australian Championships Gunning</b></p>		<p>Andrew has spoken to Lauren. A big concern is getting through the games on time. 2 heats of U12 and 25 and over, 3 of each of other age groups. Marc asked if we could run 2 arenas. Maureen said that there would not be enough gear to do this and Andrew said that finding enough personnel to man two arenas would be difficult. Maureen suggested running 2 sessions together. Lauren had suggested dropping to 3 sessions with 8 games in each. Andrew has been playing with games lists. Semi finals was also suggested. Possibly 4 sessions of 6 races, or 3 sessions of 8. Or could be one group on Sunday morning. We need to let people know about the changes early so it causes less angst. After discussion it was decided that as no committee member has any major objections to 3 sessions of 8 that is what would be done. Andrew and Lauren will work on the games list. George said they have talked about having the next group in a marshalling area ready to go in. A stringent mercy whistle policy is to be implemented. Andrew explained that NSW uses an excel spreadsheet, similar to MGA scoreboard but more user friendly. Live scores are available instantly.. Our By-laws say that the first heats are decided randomly using Games Pro. Subsequent allocation of riders to heats is not stipulated. Usually the heats are decided by seeding at Australian championships but at Albury they were all allocated. A vote was taken on whether we use Seeded or Allocated heats. A large majority decided they would be allocated beforehand using Games Pro. Helpers- Helpers are to be allocated to jobs as they need to know the job they are to do. Assistant referees should not need to be briefed before each heat. We will have</p>	<p>Andrew and Lauren</p>	<p>23/9</p>

		a discussion at the rider briefing on the main points for assistant referees to watch for. Warwick suggested referee briefing on Friday night. George to send the referee list to the committee tomorrow.	George	23/9
<b>7. Club respect member protection (link beside)policy and <a href="#">Code of Conduct</a></b>		<a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E2g8DSm9oB8FuJhu2QD9qf_7rtodeR9XTpuNLipdECQ/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E2g8DSm9oB8FuJhu2QD9qf_7rtodeR9XTpuNLipdECQ/edit?usp=sharing</a> We need to put these out to members and then possibly adopt them as policies. Sean said that there is nothing about horse welfare and horse abuse. Needs to be added Nothing in the rule book to say what the penalty is for these things that happen outside the arena. Warwick said that he has found an Australian site to purchase a breathalyser. \$700	Working parties to finalise these before they are sent out	asap
<b>8. Worlds 2023 update</b>		Deposit paid. A little bit of work has been done on sponsorship. Looks like we may get sponsorship of 25 caravans. We are getting some indication of countries that are coming. More are saying that they are sending an open team but not as many are sending U18s. Still can't get some of the pricings as it is still more than 12 months . Warwick feels that it we should have 10 (U18) and 13 (Open) but it could be as low as 8 and 10.		
<b>9. International Rep report</b>		Referee Liaison Officers - each country is to appoint an officer responsible for monitoring and encouraging referee progress and training. This came out of left field. This person's job will be to run training etc. There will be a training course for them. Warwick said that he is happy to do it. Andrew said that he was happy for him to do it, Maureen agreed. Warwick will let IMGGA know.. Marketing and communications officer- needed for IMGGA. If anyone is an expert in this field, put your hand up. The AGM Agenda will be put out for the AGM soon- the Rules committee up for re-election, Warwick has been asked to nominate. Referee for next year will be appointed. Warwick has asked Margaret from NZ to apply to Ref in Aust Worlds. The agenda will be circulated to our committee for discussion. Sean asked about horse height for Worlds. Warwick will check whether it was 15 or 15.1 hands that was agreed to.	Warwick	
<b>10. Carrying of mobile phones</b>		Maureen- As a referee and official I feel that mobile phones carried in jodhs or shirt pockets are dangerous. If the rider has a fall could cause serious injury. This would be an insurance nightmare. No jewellery is allowed so we should add this. - The rule book doesn't specifically mention mobile phones. Warwick and George felt that phones are not required on the field. Sean also. Al said looking at it while on the field or		

		<p>videoing could be even more dangerous. Andrew said riders shouldn't have them in the arena at all. A question was asked about Trainers and Assistant Referees using their mobile phones. It was stated that they can have their phone with them but they should not have them in their hands once the whistle blows. Marc asked what the penalties are. For the riders it would be elimination form the race and it was decided that the Referee needs to remind any assistant refs that are using them that they need to put them away and concentrate on the race. If it continues they will be asked to leave the arena and will be replaced.</p> <p>Maureen is to add this new rule to the By-Laws.</p>		
<b>11. Marketing- Coaching plan Sponsorship</b>		<p>Carry forward to next meeting</p>		
<b>12. Around the Branches</b>		<p>WA- Marc said that they have Branch Pairs coming up- It is their last comp of the year, a selector will be there. They are hopefully of having a dinner there</p> <p>Sean asked about a race list for this competition. As it is a Champoionsip it was decided that most races will be included. WA also had a pairs comp that was well attended and was a good day.</p> <p>NSW-George said. Rain has disrupted us again. As they have had no secretary since Maureen resigned, Ron Devitt will be helping out in this position until the end of the year. Our Branch Individuals had 39 entries. NSW Pairs will be in Nov, (About the 4th go at holding it). Anthony Newham is commentating at Australian Individuals</p> <p>SA- Caitlan reported that SA did a demo at Adelaide Show. Branch Individuals and Pairs was held recently. They had 20 riders at Pairs. Good entries</p> <p>Vic It was reported that a recent Pairs comp ahd 43 entries. Branch Individuals was postponed due to rain.</p>		
<b>13. Any Other business</b>		<p>Andrew reported that he got in touch with Max. Branches should adopt the AMGA Constitution. Any difference can be put into Branch BY-Laws. Any differences need to be checked by AMGA to ensure there is no conflicts with AMGA policy. Branches would need to register the Constitution in their own state. Maureen reminded the committee that in changing, adopting a constitution the Branch will need to be hold a special General Meeting for members to vote it in.</p>		

Meeting closed: 10.33 pm

Next Meeting: 3/11/22