



# EVENTING

## ESNZ Eventing Annual General Meeting

### Draft Minutes

10.45am 25 July 2020

Location: Chancellor 6, James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor, Wellington

#### 1. Welcome/Apologies

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming all Eventing board members, voting delegates and Observers to the Annual General Meeting.

##### Present

Margaret Evans	Chairperson
Raewyn Eastwood	Deputy Chairperson
Clive Long	Board Member
Leonne Jones	OC Rep
Maree Burnett	Board Member
Jane Callaghan	Board Member
Heelan Tompkins	North Island Rider Rep
Lydia Truesdale	South Island Rider Rep
Eliza Johns	Sport Manager
Graham Fox	Board Member
Hamish Butler-Gallie	TAG Chair and National Safety Officer
Susan Geddes	Steward Liaison
Jenny Draper	Delegate (Waikato) & Judges Liaison
Wendy Lansdown	Delegate (C&SHB) & TD Liaison
Simon Bennett	High Performance Director
Linda Huitson	Observer (Taranaki)
Anna Gray	Delegate (Northland)
Jim Hoddinott	Observer (Wellington)
Susan Grayling	Delegate (Taranaki)
Diane Gilder	Observer (Auckland)
Campbell Draper	Delegate (BOP)
John McGiven	Observer (Waikato)
Denise McGiven	Observer (Waikato)
Stuart Bishell	Delegate (SCNO)
Jean Edney	Delegate (NHB)
Graeme McCrory	Observer (NHB)
Helen Christie	Observer (Southland)
Bernie Hewitson	Delegate (Southland)
Vicki Glynn	Delegate (Auckland)

Tinks Pottinger	Delegate (Wairarapa)
Judy Haskell	Observer (Wellington)
Amanda Pottinger	Observer (NHB)
Sonya Mason	Delegate (Wellington)
David Gibbons	Delegate (Central Districts)

Jock Paget	High Performance Leader
Clarke Johnstone	Observer (Waikato)
Madison Crowe	Observer (Waikato)

### **Apologies read from**

Nick Pyke  
Rosie Edwards  
Virginia Caro  
Richard Sunderland  
Jennifer Millar  
Todd Gloyn  
Susan O'brien  
Kevin Sapsworth  
Mitty Forsyth  
Anna Jones  
Lauren Tippet  
Erika Herries

**Moved: apologies be accepted**

**Moved: Stuart Bishell  
Seconded: Jean Edney**

### **2. Obituaries**

Tiny White  
Tony Webb  
Peter Morris

Three members were remembered with one minute silence for their contribution to ESNZ and Eventing over a significant time period.

### **3. Voting Delegates**

The Chair confirmed those members present that have the right to vote;

- There were 12 voting delegates present; Anna Gray (Northland), Vicki Glynn (Auckland), Jenny Draper (Waikato), Campbell Draper (BOP), Susan Grayling (Taranaki), David Gibbons (Central Districts), Jean Edney (NHB), Wendy Lansdown (C&SHB), Sonya Mason (Wellington), Tinks Pottinger, (Wairarapa), Stuart Bishell (South Canterbury, North Otago), Bernie Hewitson (Southland)
- There was 1 Proxy Vote present: Stuart Bishell for Canterbury
- There were 7 voting members of the Eventing Board present
- The North Island and South Island Riders Reps were present.
- The South Island OC Rep was present.

**Moved: Marg Evans**

**Seconded: Maree Burnett  
Carried**

#### **4. Confirmation of minutes of the AGM, 29 June 2019**

**Moved: that the Minutes from the AGM 29 June 2019 were a true and correct record.**

**Moved: Wendy Lansdown  
Seconded: Tinks Pottinger  
Carried**

#### **5. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### **6. Annual Reports**

##### **6.1 Chairman's report**

The Chair presented her annual report for 2019-2020 which focused on the three pillars of the strategic plan – Competition Pathway – Sustainability – Connections and how the Board and the subcommittees' activities and initiatives related to and tied back to these.

During the report, at points in the strategic plan when referral was made to activities completed by, or the responsibility of individuals or subcommittees, then those reports were presented to provide a more interactive and engaging presentation. This resulted in the Chair report concluding at the end of all the reports (noted for meeting process reference)

A key focus of the Board over the year has been Connections and Sustainability and Raewyn Eastwood presented a high level overview of the Financial Sustainability Strategy and Plan which she recently completed. The chair noted special thanks to the Organisation Committees and Area Groups who had provided their accounts and detail of their event budgets for the analysis included in the sustainability work.

Thanks and appreciation were also extended to Board members, Sport Manager Eliza Johns, members of the subcommittees, officials, organising committees and all volunteers.

**Moved: The adoption of the chair report**

**Moved: Margaret Evans  
Seconded: Tinks Pottinger  
Carried**

##### **6.2 Financial Report**

The Sport Manager presented the financial report for 2020 financial year.

The financial result reported was a surplus of \$15,530

- Income was down on budget and was influenced by three key points; ,
  - cancellation of nine autumn events due to Covid – approximately \$38,000 in start levy income,
  - reduction in sale of annual starts in April and May due to Covid – approximately \$10,000 in discipline annual start income,

- reduced start numbers over Spring 19 and Autumn 20 events – approximately 200 starts across the same events in 2018-2019.
- Board costs were down on budget as Board travel and meeting costs were replaced by online zoom meetings due to Covid.
- Technical Advisory Group costs were down on Budget, mainly due to reduced costs in Officials Development as many planned activities did not take place in 2020 Autumn due to Covid.
- Operational Costs were on budget.
- Despite Covid impacting the 2020 result, the sport ended the financial year with an increase of \$6,000 in accumulated funds.

**Moved: the adoption of the 2019-2020 financial report**

**Moved: Eliza Johns  
Seconded: Maree Burnett  
Carried.**

### **The 2020-2021 draft budget**

The budget for the 2021 financial year was presented in draft form as it is still to be approved by the ESNZ Board.

- Annual Start and Start Levy income has been budgeted at a 20% decrease on 2020 financial year. The Board has decided to take a conservative approach as a result of Covid, not knowing what effect it may have on participation.
- As a result, department budgets have been reduced, particularly the meeting and travel budgets. All TAG meetings and half of the Board's meetings are planned to be held by zoom.
- NZ3DE has budget support of \$8,000 for 2021 event.

### **6.3 Sport Manager's Report**

The Sport Manager presented her financial report for the 2019-2020 season with the following points noted;

- Special thanks to all attendees at the AGM,
- Recognition of the OCs who were ready to deliver events that were unfortunately cancelled as a result of Covid.
- A note of thanks to Canterbury and Bay of Plenty for hosting the Junior and Young Rider Three Day and One Day champs respectively and congratulations to Lucy Turner and Ella Morshuis for their double wins in both.
- Congratulations to the six national series winners, the winners and placegetters in the TiES series and the winners of the Style Prizes across the season. Thanks noted to The Rider Shop and Rangiora Equestrian Supplies for their sponsorship of the XC Style Prize Initiative.

**Moved: The adoption of the Sport Manager's report**

**Moved Eliza Johns  
Seconded Tinks Pottinger  
Carried**

#### 6.4 Technical Advisory Group Report

Chair of the technical advisory group, Hamish Butler-Gallie presented the Technical report noting the upcoming rules changes, specifically the introduction of the Conflict of Interest rule for officials to help OCs identify potential conflicts and plan accordingly ahead of events. The officials seminar schedule has been decided for the next three years which will allow officials to plan their seminar attendance. The introduction of body protector standards which come into effect 1 August 2020.

The TAG Chair thanked the other members of the group.

It was noted from the floor that it would be a great help to OCs and Officials to have the event paperwork available online to reduce the need for scanning.

#### **Moved: The adoption of the Technical report**

**Moved Hamish Butler-Gallie**  
**Seconded: Susan Geddes**  
**Carried**

#### 6.5 High Performance Report

The High Performance Director (HPD), Simon Bennett, and Performance Leader Jock Paget presented the High Performance Report for 2020. First Simon Bennet spoke and thanked the team members and specifically the riders for the flexibility they showed following postponement of the Tokyo Olympics.

Jock Paget then talked to the programme and how it operates, particularly the use of IPPs (individual performance plans) and how this drives programme content which changes year on year depending on what the athletes highlight as required by them to improve their performance. Ten performance camps are delivered across the year.

The HPD concluded by recognising the contributions made by High Performance Sport New Zealand and Sport New Zealand for their support and funding of the programme.

#### **Moved: The adoption of the High Performance report**

**Moved: Simon Bennett**  
**Seconded: Lydia Truesdale**  
**Carried**

#### 6.6 Selectors Report

Vicki Glynn tabled the selectors report on behalf of the national performance selectors. There were no questions.

#### **Moved: The adoption of the Selectors report**

**Moved Vicki Glynn**  
**Seconded: Wendy Lansdown**

#### 6.7 Organising Committee Representative Report

Leonne Jones (SI OC Rep) tabled the OC Rep report on behalf of herself and Rosie Edwards.

#### **Moved: The adoption of the OC Rep Report.**

**Moved: Leonne Jones**

Seconded: Jane Callaghan

6.8 NZ3DE Championship Subcommittee Report

Graham Fox as chair of the NZ3DE Subcommittee tabled the report.

**Moved: The adoption of the NZ3DE Subcommittee report.**

Moved: Graham Fox  
Seconded: Jane Callaghan

6.9 National Equestrian Centre Representative Report

Jenny Draper tabled the Taupo NEC Rep Report as read

**Moved: The adoption of the Taupo NEC Rep Report**

Moved: Jenny Draper  
Seconded: Leonne Jones

The South Island National Equestrian Centre Representative Report was taken as read.

6.10 Riders Rep Report

**Moved the adoption of the Riders Rep Report**

Moved: Lydia Truesdale  
Seconded: Leonne Jones

**7. Election of Board Members**

No elected positions up for rotation in 2020.

7.1 Ratification of Appointments

The Chair addressed the meeting regarding appointed member Maree Burnett who the Board is seeking to reappoint for a further three year term, 2020-2023.

**The Chair called the voting delegates to ratify the appointment of Maree Burnett to the Eventing Board for a three year term.**

**Unanimous**

The chair recognised the appointment of Wendy Lansdown as Technical Delegate Liaison for a three year term, 2020-2023 and also the reappointment of Susan Geddes as Steward Liaison for a 12 month period 2020-2021 on the Technical Advisory Group.

**8. Remits**

**8.1 Hoof Boots in Dressage**

It was noted that the remit as presented was not clear and therefore some Areas Groups were not prepared to vote either way.

The rule as decided at the ESNZ Dressage AGM was discussed but as this differed from the remit presented to ESNZ Eventing Delegates it was unable to be voted on.

The chair asked the delegates to vote on the remit as presented.

The meeting voted

**3 For**  
**11 Against**  
**5 Abstained**

## 7.2 Medical Standards

The delegate from Central & Southern Hawkes Bay spoke on behalf of C&SHB and Wairarapa – the two Areas Groups that had proposed and seconded the remit. The Delegate advised the meeting that the remit was being withdrawn to allow time for ESNZ to complete the review of the medical standards within the ESNZ General Regulations. These could then be replicated in the ESNZ Eventing Rules for Dressage and Jumping test should the ESNZ Eventing Board decide.

The remit was withdrawn. There was no vote.

## 9. Board Member remuneration

The chair explained to the meeting that currently there is no remuneration for board members and proposed no change for the coming year.

**Moved: That the board remuneration stays at the current level**

**Moved: Maree Burnett**  
**Seconded: Clive Long**  
**Carried**

## 10. Appointment of Nine voting Delegates for attendance at the ESNZ AGA 29 September 2020

It was announced that the Equestrian Sports New Zealand Annual General Assembly will be held on 29 September in Wellington.

The Delegates chosen were:

- Margaret Evans
- Raewyn Eastwood
- Maree Burnett
- Graham Fox
- Clive Long
- Jane Callaghan
- Heelan Tompkins
- Leonne Jones
- Lydia Truesdale

The chair moved that the nine members above are accepted as Voting Delegates to attend the ESNZ AGA.

**Moved Margaret Evans**  
**Seconded: Maree Burnett**  
**Carried**

## 11. General Business

With no further business the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 12.30pm.

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