

# Minutes of the Board of ESNZ Endurance Held from 8.00pm on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 Zoom Meeting

**Present:** Sue Reid (Chair) SR

Pip Mutch PM
Jenny Weston JW
Trevor Copland TC
Kevin James KJ

**Apologies** Nick Page

In Attendance: Jo Lankow – Endurance Administrator & Minute Taker JL

#### 1. Welcome:

Sue welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Conflicts relevant to the agenda: Nil

# 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020

The minutes of the previous meeting (16<sup>th</sup> November 2020) had been approved via email.

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes: Nil

### 5. Action List

Purchase products to sell as a fundraiser: It was decided not to proceed with this.

The Distance: Sue to contact the member who offered to assist with this.

Funds paid to clubs by previous Mt Linton Committee: Kevin advised that Canterbury and Mackenzie Clubs had not received any funds from Mt Linton. Waitaki Club had received \$1500 and this will most likely be re-paid to Mt Linton following Waitaki's next meeting. Trevor thought there had been  $^{\circ}$ \$12,000 in the Mt Linton account.

The club still hasn't been able to locate any of the trophies. Trevor thinks the Ken Officer trophy was given to Ken's parents. This is the main asset that the club wants to recover. Jess Kennedy had previously tried to track this trophy down and may be able to contact Daniel Officer. Kevin has found a junior trophy and will ensure that is returned.

Code of Conduct: Kevin has not yet signed the Code of Conduct. Needs to be signed and returned immediately.

## 6. Inwards Correspondence

Letter from Ron Guest

This was discussed at length with the Board unable to reach agreement on who could form an independent panel.

Trevor advised he had attended the recent DRNZ meeting in Christchurch. This was in a personal capacity, not as a representative of the Endurance Board.

Trevor said the DRNZ rules were much simpler than the Endurance rules and there were only four pages of rules so much easier for new people starting out.

The ESNZ Endurance structure had been changed and it is now a lot cheaper for people starting out in endurance and CTR.

Sue stated that clubs need to take responsibility for promoting their events and also for welcoming new people into the sport.

Jenny said she would like to see Mt Linton hold all their classes as part of the affiliated event.

Kevin thought the Board needs to look at Endurance becoming an affiliate of ESNZ rather than being a discipline. He said with new people at ESNZ now they may be open to Endurance doing something different. All options need to be investigated. Sue will speak to Tony Parsons and see if he would be prepared to be a panel member and if he has any suggestions as to who the others could be.

Action: SR
Other panel members suggested by Ron were not considered to be independent.

### 7. General Business

#### AGM

- Change of date will require a Bylaw change.
- The Board agreed to amend article 15 of the Bylaws to read "The AGM will be open to all financial members of Endurance New Zealand and shall be held not later than the 31st day of July annually or a date determined by the Board for the purpose of". All in favour. ESNZ to be advised.

  Action: SR

### **Claiming Rides**

• The Technical Committee to look at a new procedure for claiming rides.

**Action: JW** 

#### **Funding to Clubs for championship events**

- A considerable amount of income is being paid to the clubs for the championship events but if the clubs make a profit none of the money is coming back to the sport.
- Perhaps profit sharing up to the value of the grant could be an option. Clubs do need to be given some guarantee of funding or they may not be prepared to host the events.
- To be looked at further before next season.

## **EPOC Machine**

- The Board need to decide if they continue with the costs involved with maintaining the EPOC machine.
- Does it have any value and use going forward?
- Different vets have different views about the benefit of using the machine when treating horses.
- When HP had tests done before and after the ride for some of the horses they didn't gain any helpful information from the test results.
- Jenny has suggested to Kasia that the vet or OC could be responsible for ordering and invoicing for the cost of the cartridges.
- We don't keep any cartridges in stock as can get caught out with the expiry date of them.
- Jenny will ask Tony Parsons if any of the other disciplines would likely have any use for the EPOC machine as a way to bring in some income from it.

**Action: JW** 

• The Board agreed to support cartridges being ordered to be available for use at the 2021 Nationals. Jenny to advise Kasia to get cartridges for the Nationals.

**Action: JW** 

• Look at this further after the Nationals.

### **Revised Budget**

- Jenny presented a revised budget.
- With no sponsorship or grants received it will not be a good year financially.
- The budget has been trimmed as much as possible but many of the expenses are fixed costs.
- It was moved the revised budget be accepted.

Jenny/Kevin

# 8. Next Meeting

Next meeting is to be held as a Zoom meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm In person meeting to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> May in Wellington.

# 12. Close of Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm.