



# ENDURANCE

## ESNZ Endurance AGM Forum

22<sup>ND</sup> July 2023 9am

**Present:** Sue Reid, Sue Billigheimer, Nick Page, Ron Guest, Kate Honour, Louise Holmes, Rena Johnsen, Heidi Bulfin, Marga Marshall, Zoey Marshall, Chris Enstrom, Julian Bowden, Darryl Owen, Andrea Rigby, Jo Foster, Pip Mutch, Murray Smith, Rowena Black, Vicky Whitehead, Jenny Champion, Lisa Southon & Fiona Stephen

**Apologies:** Sue Landis. Jenny Weston, Ursula Keenan

### **Strategic Plan**

Report not presented due to covid status

### **Presentation Nick Page FEI Forum**

Nick outlined his experience and disappointment at the FEI forum. Since then the proposed rule changes with reasoning has been released and sent to members. Pages on NZ submissions were listed but sending just the relevant pages would be useful.

Andrea asked about clubs being able to obtain more guidance on running FEI level events. This help is available exactly as the strategy for Championships but it needs to be asked for in a timely manner. FEI rides have a process that needs to be followed. Calendar dates for the following year need to be in by September.

Jo enquired about how to get international official experience. It was discussed that we need overseas officials to come here to be able to develop FEI international relationships so that our officials get the opportunity of international experience. There is also nothing to stop individuals asking roles but that is normally at their own expense.

### **Presentation ESNZ CEO Julian Bowden**

Arena of value presentation showing where your money is spent and highlighting some recent partnership benefits.

Incorporated Societies are required to rewrite constitutions under new legislation. But better to wait for Sports NZ templates to be completed than paying lawyer fees individually.

Strengthen & Adapt process underway, please participate to help future proof the sport.

ESNZ has Instagram feed for updates.

There is a perception of ESNZ membership riders as elite. It needs to be seen as more than just leading to FEI.

### **Board Update on Advisory Team Report – Sue Billigheimer**

The board have written to DRNZ asking for dialogue to start after both parties have had their AGM's. Julian has offered to be present at any meeting.

Currently 2 entities for 1 sport and the numbers do not support this.

Costs for being a discipline are outweighed by the benefits.

Membership Services, Database, CEO time, Insurance, Access to rules and general regs that give us top standards on horse welfare, health and safety procedures, newsletter and website. Also the Judicial support, we need ESNZ for this as do not have the funds.

All were in favour of ESNZ model for the sport.

### **Finance Report – Ron Guest & Louise Holmes**

No levies charged to the clubs for non-riding members (Volunteers that don't ride).

ESNZ Endurance grants will still be needed for championship events until the club levies pool is high enough.

Ride levies to increase approximately 10% across the km range. Clubs may need to increase ride fees to cover this. Guidelines to ride fees for clubs are not possible because different clubs have different expense costs. (eg TMPs, toilets...).

To look at splitting 0-25km current ride levy category. This is currently \$5 and has highest tally.

Split would be 0-12 km and 13-25 km

### **Championship Events**

(i) Roster for rides

(ii) Co-operative pool of expertise for obtaining sponsorship funding/Officials etc.

(iii) Fund For championship events.

Levy to clubs of \$500 to go to fund North & South Championships (Nationals has been shown capable of self-funding these last few years)

North Island Club Levies to fund North Island Championships, and South Island Club Levies to fund South Island Championships

Help with fundraising for newer/less financial clubs to raise this levy.

All clubs need to contribute equally, and funds protected for this to be fair. ESNZ Endurance board to manage the funds.

### **General Discussion**

Rule Change proposals - Yarding rule change clarified. No to 2 horses in 1 yard even if tape splitting yard was electrified.

Ride Calendar updates:

South Island – Mackenzie 16/17 September

South Island – Marlborough 3 December CTR

South Island Championships yet to be confirmed, so is subject to change

North Island – Ruahine – Dannevirke 16/17 December

Heidi updated us on Trans-Tasman Trophy progress. 31 May-3 June 2024 Inglewood, Queensland. There is possibility of multiple teams of FEI riders on borrowed horses. Riders can't have represented New Zealand previously.

First Aid requirements at Events. This is to remain as first aiders as compared to EMTs that are required for other disciplines. Red Cross training courses are readily available.

Helmets:

The difference in requirements between yellow tagged and red tagged was explained as the requirement for every production batch to be tested, rather than just the initial batch of a new helmet design.

Required to be taggable but not necessarily tagged to be allowed for competition

Most rides have a helmet tagger present

End of Forum: 11.35am