



ENDURANCE

**Minutes of ESNZ Endurance Forum
Held at 9.00am on 19th May 2018
At NEC Glynn East Hall Christchurch**

Present

Alison Higgins, Sue Billigheimer, Wendy Farnell, Louise Holmes, Chris Enstrom, Ursula Keenan, Phillip Higgins, Helen Graham, Helen Bray, Philip Graham

Apologies

Sue Latta, Carla Barakat, Ian Grey, Heidi Bulfin

The forum was chaired by Alison Higgins, ESNZ Endurance Chair

Alison welcomed everyone to the forum.

Strategic Plan

- Presentation on the Strategic Plan outlining what the current Board have achieved to date

Strategic Plan needs to be worked into a business plan with more measurable details including dates and target numbers.

In the 2-5 year plan under FEI Funding was considered the wrong way round. The OC's should be able to apply for funding for officials they require

Six Year Plan for Hosting Championship and FEI Events

Proposal tabled

It was considered better to leave it as a six year plan for clubs the individual clubs will work better with clubs they interact well with and this may change over the years with changing committees. This would also give individuals the chance to have a break and with a bigger spread might seem less onerous.

Possibility of removing FEI Rides as a "requirement" and encouraging the use of 1* events more often

Calendar

Having request for calendar dates over the Christmas Holiday period doesn't work.

Dates requested need simplifying. When going out to ask clubs for dates it would be better if dates from last year were on there already and then clubs just ask for changes.

Championship dates need to be there first. A six year plan should help.

Area ESNZ Calendar is used for Pony Club as well as Pony Club dates but does not include Endurance? If the Endurance calendar was included it would help promote.

For SI Champs Marlborough to be asked what help they need to change their 2* ride into SI champs. Help is available for setting the track, funding etc. but need to know what is required.

Need some kind of plan for track succession.

Nationals would run well under a club than a board OC

The 3 Day format ran well for competitors and officials. Better in the SI if closer to the end of March

Sponsorship

Request for members to join sponsorship committee has been sent out to try and improve

Multi Day Rides

- Two day novice 80km rides are still able to be used as a novice qualifying ride. Valid for FEI qualifications.
- Everyone present was happy with that.

Open Elevator Rides

- Most present were for Open Elevator rides over 80km
- Believe it is down to training and education to teach riders the right way of doing things

Growing the Sport

Mt Nimrod Club have been approached by D Marshall to use money from Endurance for training days

Suggested ideas welcome

It was considered better to target a specific audience than be too wide spread suggested 10 km limit with two days on the weekends leading up to the first ride of the season.

Helen Graham suggested a short video clip as well as a pamphlet for newcomers

Keep any document simple.

Other clubs had suggested "Ask Me" vests. Try Redpaths for a quote

Helen Graham said a set of ribbons for riders with two colours one for experienced riders that are happy to be approached and another colour for novice riders

CTR Lead Rein Classes

Ursula requested discussion on whether juniors should be allowed the ability to have a lead rein clipped on for safety reasons

Sue requested to take it to the CTR Committee for discussion and feedback

Rule Changes

- Proposed rule changed presented.
- Should be of assistance to clubs

Social Media Format and Guidance

- Policy tabled

It was felt this should be more widely and better publicized

While it is understood that Kiwi Endurance was created by individuals it was felt the ESNZ Endurance page could be more interactive and social and then in time it could take over from Kiwi

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The club liaison page is a good page but needs more interaction from board members. Some questions are not getting answers from the right board members.

Implementing & Controlling Stand downs

The new table for stand downs is a great start.

Would be great if we could use Equestrian entries that prevented a horse from starting if on stand down. For a professional sport the cost should be acceptable. It was explained that results were not necessarily up to date on data base.

CTR stand downs should be aligned to Endurance.

Wendy asked others on their interpretation of 0-46Km

Forum Attendance & Format

An agenda should be put up to start with by the board with requests for additional items from members

AGM forum should have different agenda topics

Feedback on items discussed to members present should be given

Event Waiver

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The highlighted part of the waiver form needs to either come out or at least be unhighlighted. It is putting novice riders in particular CTR riders off

Forum finished at 12.30pm.