

## **HOY Riders Meeting – 7pm, VIP Function Room 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

### **Introduction**

Marilyn Thompson ESNZ Jumping Manager

Thanks to Zoe Shore and Sarah Forman for their help with the series flags.

There was a call for apologies and items for General Business.

### **Speaker**

Course designer Werner Deeg from Germany spoke about what he tries to achieve, trends, and his impression of HOY.

### **Groom of the Year**

The main sponsor NZ Horse and Groom Mary Peterson spoke briefly about the competition.

We thanked the other sponsors:

- DeeJays Gourmet Griller – David Chisholm
- Phillipa Howells
- Janine Scott
- EquiSentials
- Jane Stafford
- Jenni Calver
- Sarah Borthwick
- Juss Elder
- Jen Hamilton
- Cambridge Collection – Chele Clarkin.

The finalists in the Groom of the Year were introduced by their rider/friend

- Jack Ford (Todd Magner)
- Grace Flett (Steffi Whittaker)
- Mavis Liley (Liv Apatu)
- Liz Sterling (Melody Matheson)
- Katelyn Harper (Oliver Croucher)
- Sarah Davis (Des Foxley)

Riders voted and Mary Peterson counted the votes.

### **Speaker**

Judy Bowen outlined her role as Steward General and gave the riders some reminders and encouraged them to buy and read their rule book.

### **General Business**

- The previous Rider's Meeting questions were answered.
- There was discussion about jump-off etiquette
- Tom Tarver raised a concern about safe riding in the practise area
- Spot prizes were handed out to deserving riders. Particular appreciation was given to the Northern Hawkes Bay Junior Group, for their effort at HOY working bees.
- The 2019 Groom of the Year was announced- Mavis Liley.

**Meeting closed 8.15pm**

*(150 riders signed in, but many others attended without signing in)*