

,Hawkes Bay A&P Riders Meeting- 17 October 7pm

Welcome

Welcome by Claire Wilson

Claire is the new Riders Rep and any problems that riders have- please come to Claire.

A note from the Hawkes Bay committee that they has been a change in the schedule for tomorrow

Apologies

None

(85 Riders and 22 Non-Riders were recorded as present)

Jumping Sport Manger

The new Jumping Sport Manager was introduced, Marilyn Thompson.

Marilyn has been in the role for 2 months now and the new Jumping Administrator is Rebecca Griffith.

FEI World Cup Jumping Challenge

This hasn't been greatly supported in both the Islands, from show organisers and competitors. Beyond this season there has been a decision to instead focus on promoting the FEI One Star class, which is also a helpful way of upskilling our officials.

Reminders

Picking up rails

Riders are reminded to pick up rails when you have a chance and it is safe to do so. Let the horse get out of the way or leave the ring and then (if no official jump-crew are around) put the fallen rail up. This will help the show run more smoothly. If the jump is demolished, then the Course Designer will need to re-measure and rebuild the jump. If you are too busy during the day please remember to help at the end of the day to build the course for the next day, you might learn something from the Course Designer.

Clean yards

Please make sure you clean out your yards and stables at the end of the show.

Saying thanks

A few sponsors have been questioning the benefit of investing in our sport- we need to make sure the riders show their appreciation. If you want the prize money to improve; thank the sponsors so that event organisers can ensure that the sponsorship is appreciated and may continue or grow. An email is a great way to thank sponsors.

And please thank the officials and gate stewards also, as they are working hard for the benefit of riders.

Jump Cups

The jump cups are being taken at shows, after hours. 50 back slip cups were stolen at HOY. Please do not let this happen, if you see or hear this happening please let an official know.

Underage drinking at the shows

The New Zealand underage drinking laws; someone under the age of 18 cannot be supplied by alcohol unless the alcohol is supplied by their parent or guardian in a reasonable manner.

A reasonable manner is that the parent or legal guardian is supervising the drinking. Otherwise you could be fined \$2000 if you do not abide by these laws. Please make sure our shows are a safe and happy place.

HOY

The HOY committee are asking what classes riders would like to enter a novelty class. If you could beat the NZ record there could be a \$50k bonus. So would riders like a 2 fence challenge, 6 bar, or puissance. Riders were impressed but non-committal.

Elmo Jackson asked about a Gentleman's rider of the year class to match the Lady Riders of the Year class. Claire explained that this would be too late to consider for 2019 HOY, but will advise him of the procedures to take, to get this suggestion considered for the future.

William Willis has asked why the eventers have taken over HOY for half a day and will this continue. Claire explained that the schedule had not yet been finalised, so nothing was confirmed. And she assumed that the main show sponsors do have an influence on the program.

General Business

No more general business was put up for discussion.

G.O.T.Y

Riders are encouraged to vote for Groom of the Year, sponsored by Horse and Groom Equine Jobs. At each Riders Meeting, riders can vote for their best groom or supporter and there will be a prize awarded at HOY.

Sport prizes

Recognise and Reward, Seahorse Supplements and McMillians have come up with some spot prizes to give away to riders who have been good helpers and supporters.

Oliver Croucher and Drew Carson were singled out as fine role models.

Other worthy individuals were noted; Isabell Bevitt, Lidy Loffler, Emma Ritchie, Macy Heaton, and absentees- Zara Waldin and Clementine Coates

Fines

Maurice Beatson and Merran Hain were fined for light-hearted misdemeanours. The fines money will go towards CATWALK

Conclusion

Claire asked for the attending non riders to donate to CATWALK. She acknowledged the sponsors who helped to bring inspirational speaker Rob Waddell to the Riders Meeting. The formal meeting proceedings were concluded and Rob's talk continued.

Meeting closed 8.20pm