Jumping Riders Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Date: 7 December 2023

Location: Main Marquee, Young Horse Show Hawkes Bay

Time: 6.30pm – 8pm

Attendees: Sarah Forman (Chair), Debbie Forman (Minutes), Amy Gibbs, Caira Manson, Hannah Bodle, Laura Inkster, Lianne Inkster, Carissa McCall, Michael McCall, Tracey Mason, Tessa Mason, Wendy Jacobs, Robyn Jacobs, Sam Van Lierde, Tanya Hansen, Ike Baker, Janine Kirkbeck, Mark Brooks, Jenny Booth, Claire Wilson, Daniel Webb, Paula Brocklehurst, Alexia Searchfield, Hana Bognuda, Georgia Sheard, Alexa Dodson, Meg Bisset, Jake Lambert, Tyla Hackett, Logan Massie, Olivia Newsom, Calypso Hill, Aimee Collinson, Maurice Beatson, Robert Steele, Katie Meredith, Lola Slaughter, Grace Prendergast, Vicki Prendergast, Michelle Wakeling, Nicki Booth, Jackie Jermyn, Christine Cornege, Samantha Carrington.

# 1. Opening meeting 6.30pm

1.1. Confirmed FEI 1\* riders got email from show secretary (with information Marilyn emailed last week) on clipping horse hair and what to do if get put in hold box at trot up. (Sarah will also get Taupo Secretary to send out to applicable riders for next week) and to follow up with Sarah if did not get it.

## 2. Show feedback received

2.1 Issues with Draw order/blackboard rings.

Sarah has had feedback from riders that it was difficult at a show where it rained and was lots of scratchings, to ride in more than one ring. Advised that we talk to our OC's to get them to run things that suit us if prefer blackboard. Reminded everyone to advise the judges if they are scratching from a class so they are not waiting for them unnecessarily.

### 2.2 Why are show numbers down?

a. Too many days in the show, 4 day shows make hard to have that much time off work/away from home

b. Too many shows

c. Too expensive, some shows are half the price to enter of others so choosing them, Cost of travel. Discussed cost of shows increased due to medic cost, was queried what is happening with ESNZ looking into medic rules from AGM.

- Ground rental and Facilities hire varies greatly

- Shows are struggling with these high costs of running and struggling to get new or retain sponsors as many are 'tapped out' with multiple areas seeking sponsorship.

# 3. General Business from floor

# 3.1 Series Classes

a. Overall Series Prize winners - Paid out 4<sup>th</sup> place but should be cohesive with the prize money to 6<sup>th</sup> place at shows. Series Prizemoney needs to be advertised on our website by 1<sup>st</sup> Jan.

b. FEI Sub Committee

c. What is the board doing about series review, worried that will run out time before AGM to have sorted to implement in time for next season.

Advised that have just got results back from Rider and OC initial survey and will be seeking more specific feed back from riders shortly.

d. Recommended that we hold a planning meeting at the end of the season at Taupo, on a weekend with no shows. Riders and OCs, with a representative from each OC.

- Would like to coordinate remits people have, to encourage areas to engage and discuss prior to submission so we can get them worded correctly to achieve what is desired and align corresponding rules.

e. Lack of numbers at the top of our sport

- Riders not wanting to 'win out of series' - Some riders not wanting to start in a FEI 1\* or Grand Prix due to risk of not being eligible to jump in Pro Am series – especially when small numbers at show so would place if completed. Suggestion was that could place in 3 Grand Prix's or 3 over height classes before 'winning out'.

- Need more 1.40m or 1.4-1.45m type classes to bridge the gap from Pro am to GP, Young rider to GP. Riders need to encourage OCs to run these heights if they want them, a local mini prix series similar to Woodhill Sands super series could do this.

f. Discussion on shows/series

- Shows should never clash e.g: Gisborne v Hawera and Auckland v Hawera.

- Who do you tell cannot run their show, don't want rules who can do what, when.

- Date setting could we manage clashes better.

- ESNZ shows should be only ones running series classes not a&ps. – Is an area group running the SJ section at a&p better?

g. Complaint about Credit Card Fees

ESNZ Credit Card payment with a Fee being the only payment option for levies.

h. Yarding Bond

Noted that yards were filthy at a few shows, do areas need to implement a yarding bond to encourage clean yards for the horse welfare and respect for next user.

i. World Cup Shows

- Prefer WC outside on grass. Most prefer over 'surface'

- Many positives at HB Grass ring, riders love jumping here – the show and surface.

- Don't want to lose HB round, thought April could be ok if was aswell not instead of.

- Don't want 'split season' First WC in April, horses may have broken down, retired or sold before the next season.

- Find preparation adequate for October Grass ring World Cup, without a premier show to lead in and other OCs and training facilities are happy to help riders do this.

j. ESNZ Xmas Function

Asked to follow up if ESNZ had a Xmas function in Auckland, who paid for the flights etc. Would be very disappointed if our Levies paid for this.

Meeting Closed 8pm.