

MINUTES

NORTH ISLAND RIDERS MEETING 2018

Held at Auckland Manukau Dressage Group Clubrooms

Friday 19th January 2018

Chairperson – Alicia Zeludko, North Island Riders Rep
Opening and Welcome

Present : See document attached behind minutes

Apologies: Pete and Ali Jenkins, Susan Tomlin, Lynley Schollum, Wendy Hamerton, Robbie Greenslade, Tracy Smith, Jen Sim, Sarina Kennedy, Victoria Wall.

Confirmed: [REDACTED]

Seconded: [REDACTED]

Minutes of previous NI Riders Meeting :

Minutes were electronically circulated to riders.

Confirmed as true and correct record

Moved: [REDACTED]

Seconded: [REDACTED]

Matters arising from previous minutes:

1. Grading points will not now be recorded – updated by Betty Brown to the floor. This will occur when the new ESNZ database comes into action. Riders happy about this.

Correspondence In - Nil

General Business

1. **ISES taper gauge** - Jody addressed the meeting on the ISES taper gauge which is designed to measure and standardise the tightness of nose bands. This gauge was shown to the meeting. It was suggested that these be provided to stewards to trial at Nationals (with no penalties given to riders). Proposed that a remit be considered to put forward to DNZ Planning Meeting regarding its introduction. Some concerns and discussions re the ease of use, need for them, and how they work with a flash / drop noseband.
2. **Competition financials** - Discussion took place on a document prepared by Alicia and Betty Brown detailing the costs of running competitions and the profitability of shows. This document looked at the future of the sport and detailed costs of paying all volunteers the minimum wage. If this was the case, then entry fees would need to be \$50 per class to break even. Stakeholders need to be looked after. Area groups are mostly running these shows at a loss and costing over 500 hours in volunteer time. It was suggested we have an incentive for volunteers in the form of \$50 discount if a rider volunteers time. Some jobs could be done by riders and not the OC, e.g. sponsor invitations etc. New Health and Safety requirements added costs to OC's. No real solutions, but good to have a discussion regarding the future of the sport and our responsibilities financially and also to our volunteer pool.
3. **Nationals at Taupo** - Discussion was held on DNZ decision to move Nationals back to Taupo. The following are points from that discussion:

- Debbie Barke, as representative of NEC, Taupo, addressed the meeting and gave information on the new facilities at Taupo and progress to date. NEC are appointing a new part time Manager to manage the new facility. Staff presently working hard to get the indoor finished and paying for itself within 2-3 years. Debbie agreed that yards are getting tired but this was mainly due to staff working hard to get the indoor finished.
- Wendy Hamerton attending Taupo during Dressage Waikato Championships to see progress and feasibility.
- It is believed by riders that Taupo has sufficient area in the indoor for corporate and indoor entertaining.
- Alicia asked riders for a show of hands as to how many wanted Taupo. Most of the room were in favour. It was agreed that with this meeting being held in Auckland that it would be necessary to check with riders "south of Taupo" for their opinion.
- Alicia asked what was it they liked about Taupo - great indoor with good surface, good outdoor arenas, more arenas available, all monies go back to ESNZ, could accommodate more horses.
- Manfield - \$25,000 to hire venue, don't like abattoir, car racing and surfaces.
- Riders thought Manfield indoor received very little support during the day for tradestands.
- Debbie said Taupo will have similar space to Manfield for tradestands.
- Alicia asked the hypothetical question if it was more expensive at Taupo, would riders still want to go there over Manfield. Riders thought it would not be more expensive. No figures provided to discuss.
- Alicia conveyed that DNZ trying to do the right thing but need to have some answers from Taupo as to charges and completion of some areas.
- It was proposed that Debbie have discussions with Wendy to resolve issues surrounding moving the Nationals back to Taupo.

4. **Format of Nationals**

- Could Nationals be over 3 days instead of 5? CDI might be a factor.
- Alicia to suggest to DNZ that they form a subcommittee to look into this.

5. **Mare identification** – Kiernyn Walton raised the issue of safety when riding a mare in competition. Apparently a red ribbon on a mare's tail is considered decorative and not permissible within the rules. In Australia the tag is removed before going into the arena. It was felt that as mares were, in some cases, as dangerous to other horses as stallions, then there should be some way of identifying them. Suggestion - red for a kicker and green for a green horse.

6. **Arena familiarisation** – Peter Barke would like to see riders permitted to do more than just walk during arena familiarisation. He will submit a remit regarding this to try to get this changed. There was some discussion on the subject. OC's have to manage riders and also harrowing (and watering) of the arena if time permits. Safety needs to be a priority. Not to be used as a schooling session. Riders seemed happy to pay for a warmup round - \$10 was suggested, limited to 3 riders. Needs to have someone nominated to supervise the group. Arenas need to be same as competition time, e.g. if using judges boxes, then boxes need to be open with windows up.

Meeting closed at 7.45

ATTENDANCE SHEET NORTH ISLAND RIDERS MEETING 2018

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Name	Area	
Angelene Lloyd-Bryant	Auckland	1
Elaine van den Berg	Auckland	2
Rosie Richards	Auckland	3
Sheena Ross	Auckland	4
Brina Carpenter	Auckland	5
Betty Brown	Auckland	6
Caitlin Benzie	Auckland	7
Chelsea Burns	Auckland	8
Jacqui Winspear	Auckland	9
Nicky Turnbull	Auckland	10
Jo Bentley	Auckland	11
Margaret Garrett	Auckland	12
Amy Sage	Auckland	13
Nicole Sage	Auckland	14
Karen Shields	Auckland	15
Bob Smith	Auckland	16
Karen Anderson	BOP	17
Amanda Lyons	BOP	18
Isabella Chatfield	BOP	19
Kellie Hamlett	BOP	20
Peter Barke	BOP	21
Debbie Barke	BOP	22
Kieryn Walton	BOP	23
Kate Honour	BOP	24
Jo Jackson	BOP	25
Ali Addis	Northland	26
Janet Fox	Northland	27
Rebecca Donovan	Northland	28
Nikita Osborne	Northland	29
Mihi Shepherd	Northland	30
Julie Flintoff	Northland	31
Hannah Burden	Northland	32
Chontelle Honour	Rotorua	33
Holly Moorman	Taupo	34
Lisa Blackbourn	Waikato	35
Alex Matheson	Waikato	36
Anya Noble	Waikato	37
Pauline Davys	Waikato	38
Aspen Davys-Olsen	Waikato	39
Zoie Gray	Waikato	40
Sandy Dillon	Waikato	41
Christine Weal	Waikato	42
Brooke Dillon	Waikato	43
Debra Cowen	Waikato	44
Paula Stuart	Waikato	45
Maree Lynch	Waikato	46
Bill Noble	Waikato	47
Kris Robinson	Waikato	48
Olivia Robinson	Waikato	49
Emma Turnbull	Waikato	50
Jody Hartstone	Waikato	51
Kyrie Gausden	Waitemata	52
Odele Dunn	Waitemata	53
Jill Flyger	Waitemata	54
Chanel Flyger	Waitemata	55
Hannah Comrie	Waitemata	56
Nicki Stone	Waitemata	57