

# South Island Riders Meeting Minutes

South Canterbury North Otago Jumping Show, 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Present:** Alyssa Ward, Amanda Paul, Amy Williams, Angela Ruddenklau, Caitlin Adams, Chris Harris, Courtney Townsend, Danni Gubb, Dayna Lowe, Esther Heal, Georgie Dormer, Hanna Lowe, Harry Feast, Indi Williams, Jackie Wear, Jayne Beattie, Jess Land, Jess Sonne, Jess Townsend, Kaitlin Feast, Kate Beattie, Katie Meredith, Kim McCabe, Kimberly Harris, Lana Stevens, Makenzie Causer, Margaret Ridley, Margot Curtis, Mikayla Wycliffe, Molly Buist-Brown, Molly Smith, Nadia Houston, Nicole White, Olivia Adams, Olivia Brown, Paige Causer, Pippa Collins, Rochelle Buist, Rosa Buist-Brown, Rose Alfeld, Sophie Townsend, Steffi Whitaker, Tayler Nalder, Tegan Fitzsimon, Zoe Shore

## South Island Riders Representative Position

It was reiterated that Zoe Shore was asked by Claire Wilson, NZ Riders Representative, to hold the South Island Riders Representative position until the new riders rep was officially voted in at the end of this meeting and that it was not self-appointed. Anyone who wished to take the reins was welcomed to put themselves forward.

## Supporter/Groom of the Year

All riders at the meeting notified about the Groom/Supporter of the Year award being presented at the end of the season and given instructions on how to vote.

## FEI World Jumping Challenge

Not enough areas wanting to host them currently. Only six riders present at the meeting indicated they would be likely to enter the class. Those riders were encouraged to attend their area meetings, take an active interest in drafting the show schedules and participate in running the event if they wish for these classes to be held.

## South Island Mini Prix Series

It was brought up that there was a lot of variation in the height of the Mini Prix classes. It was put forward that we encourage South Island areas to standardise the heights. Grand Prix shows = 1.30m – 1.40m, Premier Shows = 1.35m – 1.45m

Moved: Harry Feast

Seconded: Amy Williams

Carried

## Helping at Shows

Young riders encouraged to get involved at their shows. Shows are lacking help with changing courses and picking up rails far too often. Some old volunteers getting stuck doing all the work. Riders reminded that their contributions do not go unnoticed. Good manners and positive attitudes also highlighted. Promptness to

gate and communication with the gate keepers to keep the shows running smoothly was discussed as well.

### **Social Media Etiquette**

Riders reminded to be careful about what they post online and to be kind to each other.

### **Legal Equipment Changes**

With the new boot rules and legal spurs in certain classes, riders were requested to take note of their gear and, if in doubt, ask questions. Pauline Quigley sent a message to riders that the stewards are happy to help and were keen to break down the 'us versus them' barrier that is often perceived. (Majority of riders went through these rule changes at the recent Young Rider Camp, and the rest indicated that they were already aware of new procedures, so topic only required light discussion).

### **Concussion Awareness**

Head injury awareness and the importance of taking care not to miss signs of concussion after a fall was touched upon. (Majority of riders went through this at the recent Young Rider Camp, and the rest indicated that they were already aware so new 'Blue Card' procedures, so topic only required light discussion).

### **Sponsors**

Everyone encouraged to make an actual effort to thanks show and series sponsors, not necessarily on social media but in writing or in person. If using social media, ensure the sponsor can actually see the acknowledgment and appropriate 'tags' be used.

### **Updates for Results at Shows**

It was brought up that it was appreciated when shows put up results during the event, and how it was beneficial for sponsors also. Riders once again encouraged to get involved with the running of their shows, including helping with publicity and social media marketing/updates.

### **South Island Riders Representative**

Anyone willing to take on the role was welcomed; however, no one was put forward or indicated any interest. Zoe Shore is to continue the role as SI Riders Rep.

Nominated: Georgie Dormer

Seconded: Lucina Askin

Carried