



Synopsis of Meeting

ESNZ Eventing Board Meeting held;
9.30am 5 November 2018
Montgomery Room, Sudima Hotel, Auckland Airport

Present: Todd Gloyn, Melissa da Souza, Graham Fox, Marg Evans, Bundy Philpott (rider rep), Jenny Draper (OC Rep), Kirsty Sharapoff (Rider Rep).

Attended by: Eliza Riedel (Sport Manager), Dana Kirkpatrick (ESNZ GM)

Apologies: Maree Burnett, Hamish Butler-Gallie

1	General Business
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">ESNZ Website: Following up from the previous meeting regarding the need for a pdf version of the Officials list to be on the ESNZ website, Eliza has updated all the award expiry dates for officials which has improved the functionality of the lists available for OCs to access and Dana reported that the web developers will be working on improving the functionality of the lists. Dana noted that turnaround time for membership was greatly reduced (approximately one day) and was able to update the meeting with progress to date on improving the financial capacity of the database.Development Camps: Feedback to Melissa on the Open Development Camps held at the North and South Island NECs was that riders preferred the style of camps in 2017 which included more horse management. It was agreed that 2 levels of camp should be offered in the future – one to cater more for the lower level rider new to ESNZ events, and one for the more advanced riders. A working group of Board members to produce a "starter pack" to be distributed to new ESNZ riders. In addition, the group will produce a Camp Manual for future camp administrators, whether run by ESNZ Eventing, an individual or OC, outlining the format and structure, and funding options. Emphasis to be on cross country riding, especially for the 105cm heights down, but to include topics such as who to talk to at events to get information/support, horse management, and a talk from a local official – all aimed at making ESNZ events more informative, welcoming and enjoyable.Eventing Board Reps to ESNZ Board: Melissa is stepping down from the role of Board rep to the ESNZ Board and her contributions and work were acknowledged by the meeting. It was agreed by the Board that Todd will fill this position, at least in the interim, as Melissa's replacement. As part of his role Todd will, on behalf of The Board, develop and extend the relationship with the ESNZ and High Performance (HP). The Board sees opportunities for the entire sport if these relationships are enhanced.Eventing Championships: After feedback from a number of OCs, and with a policy of rotating the championships, a timetable through to 2025/26 was tabled and will be available on the website. As a guide, the Sport Manager will draft an outline of the preferred structure for areas applying to host championships, including; run as an individual class, prize money expectation, run as class within a class. Young Rider/Junior Rider can be at National or FEI but Board preference was that they should be separate classes as to not take away the prestige from the titles.

5. **Oceania Agreement: New Zealand – Australia:** An updated agreement was tabled and discussed and although accepted in principle, certainty around funding by HP for 2021 needs to be established. In 2019 there will be 2 senior teams and one young rider team. Sport Manager to liaise with HP Director.
6. **Applications for Vacant Board Positions:** These positions have been advertised through Institute of Directors, 10 Min Box and ESNZ Website with several applications received. A panel was appointed to review and interview the applicants.
7. **ESNZ Eventing Strategy:** The Board continued its discussions around this document which is to define exactly what the aims of the Board should be for the betterment of the sport and how these can be achieved. It is nearing completion and after Board acceptance will be prepared for publishing.
8. **Feedback to OCs following events:** The process of feedback to OCs after both FEI and National events was discussed and it raised awareness that some clarity for OCs, especially as their members change, would be of benefit. Therefore, it was agreed that regional OC meetings for support, information, sharing of ideas would be organised. Dates for meetings to be set by Eliza as Sport Manager and Jenny as OC Rep.
9. **Timetabling of events:** There has been some recent feedback and frustration over timetabling of events. It was agreed that the Sport Manager would liaise with Equestrian Entries to see if there are some opportunities around improving this.
10. **Link to Blue Card information:** The anomaly between the current Eventing rule and the process following a Blue Card being issued were inconsistent and will be aligned at 1 January.

Date for next meeting: 23 January 2019 - Wellington

Meeting closed at 4.00pm