



NOOSA EUMUNDI DISTRICT DRESSAGE Inc

General Meeting

Minutes of Meeting

Time 6.30 pm
Date Wednesday 23rd June 2010
Venue Villa Noosa, Noosaville

1. Welcome & Apologies

Present: Julie Watson, Tanya Armstrong, Kay Thornton
Apologies - Tasch Truslove, Lorraine Armstrong, Margaret McCormack

2. Confirmation of Minutes of previous General Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

3.1 Grant Applications - Kay reported the Council grant had been offered for \$3948.92. Kay to contact Council to find out how long before funds are available. Kay to write letter of thanks to Council.

3.2 Global Entries nomination system - Kay Thornton presented the cost for PayPal, the percentage works out at 2.5% which compares very favourably to Nominate's 5.5%. Committee agreed to getting a PayPal account set up – email committee once details at hand re costs, paperwork, etc.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Reminder email received from EQ office that our EA affiliation fee did not appear to have been paid. JW contacted office and confirmed correct address; invoices usually sent out each November. Requested new invoice to be sent and confirmed payment will be actioned by club immediately. EQ staff fine with this. Kay to action.

5. Treasurers Report

Treasurer's report was read by Tanya Armstrong, confirming balance of \$896.38. Approx \$1,600, still to come from proceeds of joint event with NAGs held on 6 June at Nambour.

6. Event Organiser Report

no report tabled; many positive comments received from competitors at the June event.

Arena set up for July 4th event will be Saturday 3rd July at 2.00 p.m. Kay, Tanya and Julie Watson to attend.

7. General Business

7.1 Championship Event Venue in August – It was confirmed the venue for the Championships should be Eumundi due to the superior riding surface. However, it was suggested we contact Pomona venue to ascertain possibility of keeping the booking date open until nearer the event date. The reasoning for this is that Pomona be a backup venue, should there be heavy rain leading up to the date and we lose the Eumundi venue at the last minute

7.2 Championship Event – sponsorships to be sorted by Tasch, Kay and include Lorraine to assist with related tasks beforehand and on the day.

Raffle – Lorraine has purchased some Horseland sale items toward a raffle.

Approved for her to be reimbursed \$47 for her costs once receipts sent through. Suggested a small 'Tuff' bucket be used to present good rather than a basket. Lorraine might organise or ask JW to do if not convenient.

Prizes - Committee discussed possible allocation of prizes for the range of classes – Kay will discuss suggestions with Tasch & present information at next meeting. JW & Tanya will have a look for some small trophy options for associate classes and will contact Tasch & Kay with findings. No purchases to be made until decisions made on final trophy allocations.

7.3 Purchase of NEDD Arenas - Kay presented the cost of new arenas from Easy Store Arenas - the preferred brand due to easy of handling. Committee agreed to go ahead and order 3 arenas. However, Easy Stores letters were more than twice the price of On Your Horse letters, so it was decided to two sets of letters from On Your Horse (NEDD already has one set of letters).

7.3 Knowledge of EA Dressage Competition Rules – JW informed the committee that a new reprint of the rule book is coming out later this year and will include all amendments since the original publication (1.1.2008). When this becomes available all committee need to acquaint themselves with the requirements for conducting dressage events. Failure to adhere to these rules is grounds for competitors to lodge a formal protest, which is a road we should make every effort to avoid. Further information is available from the EA website, General Regulations.

7.4 Entry Form amendment - JW advised rule requirement to have the estimated height of ponies included on entry forms. A pony does not exceed 149 cm (with shoes) or under 148 cm without shoes. JW to amend entry form and forward to Tasch for publication on website.

8. Closure & date for next meeting

Wednesday 14th July @ Villanoosa Hotel, Noosaville, 6.30 pm