

RUNCORN HORSE & PONCY PONY CLUB INC

Annual General Meeting Minutes 2nd December 2023

1. Meeting declared opened at: 1748.
2. Present:
Sam Leigh-Cooper (Chair), Brianna Horn, Ross Smith, David Eldred, John Martin, Karen Noonan, Christine Kimmorley, Rita Critoph, Tony Amos, Isabella Maddison, Vicki Horn, Annie Horn, Amanda Taylor, Raewyn Christison, Lucy Murr, Maree Forrest, Kartina U’Pritchard, Geoff Vaschina, Lucy Vaschina, Sophie Dahlenburg
3. Apologies: No apologies
4. Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - 4.1. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true record of that meeting.
 - 4.2. Moved: Brianna Horn
 - 4.3. Seconded: David Eldred
5. Presidents Report
 - 5.1. Given by Sam Leigh-Cooper
 - 5.2. We had a few successful events this year including showjumping in February, Dressage and Combined Training in May and Aitkens in August
 - 5.3. We also had four members of the club participate as state riders; Lucinda Murr in dressage, Chelsea Christison in tetrathlon, Emily Eldred in showjumping and Hayden Taylor in showjumping and tetrathlon.
 - 5.4. Hayden also competed in the nationals for tetrathlon in Perth.
 - 5.5. We had four sausage sizzles this year and we raised \$8000 which is a big effort and indication of why they are so important to our club.
 - 5.6. In 2024 we have four events happening; showjumping in February, dressage and combined training two-day event in June, Aitkens in September and Tetrathlon and Sporting two days event in October which is exciting.
 - 5.7. Upcoming sausage sizzles 31st December and 14th January
 - 5.8. Thank you, Raewyn, for taking on the canteen this year and doing such a fabulous job
 - 5.9. Also thank you to Ross for maintaining the club and putting in a lot of work and time
 - 5.10. Moved Sam Leigh Cooper
 - 5.11. Seconded Ross Smith
6. Treasurers Report
 - 6.1. Amanda Taylor gave her report.
 - 6.2. Before depreciation \$6000 profit however with depreciation it comes to a \$1700 loss for the year
 - 6.3. Insurance costs over \$6000 for the year
 - 6.4. Cash in bank \$34000 and \$11000 in term deposit
 - 6.5. Moved Amanda Taylor
 - 6.6. Seconded Vicki Horn
7. Chief Instructors Report

- 7.1. Maree would like to thank our committee, riding and social members and supporters of our club. We may be small in numbers but our club spirit and community effort are strong
- 7.2. Holding events of our own and Zone 1 as well as bunnings sausage sizzles and fundraises wouldn't happening without your collective efforts.
- 7.3. As Chief Instructor I am always proud to see our members competing at local, zone, state and even nation events. Well done Hayden (and family) for the trek across the Nullarbor
- 7.4. These are the results from their tenacity and collective training efforts of you, our riding members and instructors that have coached before my times here at Runcorn.
- 7.5. Another proud moment it to reflect back on the growth of all the rides here at Runcorn both big and small and I do hope you are all proud of your achievements; we never stop learning.
- 7.6. To the Committee thank you for your contributions in volunteering for our club as a pony club does not exist without you taking on these roles.
- 7.7. A personal thanks to Geoff and Ross for all the behind the scenes work in ground maintenance, repairs and improvements as without your efforts our grounds wouldn't be as amazing as they are.
- 7.8. Also, to Raewyn in the canteen for coordinating all our events and musters smokos and lunches.
- 7.9. To our Club Instructors and Trainees – thank you also, without you our members would not develop in their riding skills and knowledge and the musters would not happen.
- 7.10. What a year with events and musters from the RHPC showjumping, ANZAC Day march, Zone 1 combined training, Aitkens showjumping, side saddle clinic with Wendy Tidbold, QMIHT, Zone 1 showjumping refresher and the bunnings sausage sizzles to name a few
- 7.11. Thank you for this opportunity and I look forward to the future of the club.
- 7.12. Moved: Maree Forrest
- 7.13. Seconded: Vicki Horn
8. Election of Office Bearers
Sam Leigh- Cooper as president declared that all positions are now vacant and asked the secretary to report on any nominations:
Brianna Horn as secretary- reported that we have received no nominations for any Management Committee positions.
9. Sam Leigh- Cooper has called for nominations from the floor.
 - 9.1. President - Sam Leigh Cooper Nominated by John Martin Seconded by Ross Smith
 - 9.2. Vice President – Geoff Vaschina Nominated by David Eldred Seconded by Lucinda Murr
 - 9.3. Canteen convenor - Raewyn Christison Nominated by Amanda Taylor Seconded by Sam Leigh Cooper

- 9.4. Secretary – Karen Noonon Nominated by Sam Leigh Cooper Seconded Vicki Horn
- 9.5. Treasurer Amanda Taylor Nominated Raewyn Christison Seconded David Eldred
- 9.6. Chief Instructor – Maree Forrest. This position was filled at a meeting of instructors that was held prior to the AGM.
- 9.7. Agistment officer Vicki Horn Nominated by Annie Horn Seconded by Lucinda Murr
- 9.8. Nick Delaney, Brianna Horn, Ross Smith, Katrina U’Pritchard and Lucinda Murr were all nomination for committee positions. A ballot was held for 3 committee positions.
- 9.9. The ballot nominated Ross Smith, Katrina U’Pritchard and Lucinda Murr to hold a committee position each.
10. Acceptance Speech by President
 - 10.1. Sam is staying on for another year as we have four events coming up.
 - 10.2. Of our four events there are two, two days events that will be a lot of work.
 - 10.3. The first working bee will be on the 20th January.
 - 10.4. The first event is 4th February.
 - 10.5. Twilight musters will be held in February, March, October and November to avoid the heat and will be held on a Saturday afternoon instead of a Sunday.
 - 10.6. Gala Equine is our uniform bases for jackets and saddle pads.
 - 10.7. New uniform shirts are coming with the new logo. They will be here ready for the working bee.
11. Appointment of Patron –
 - 11.1. Sam Leigh-Cooper Moved that we ask Cr. Kim Marx the councillor for Runcorn Ward
 - 11.2. Seconded by: Ross Smith
12. Review of Membership Fees for 2024
 - 12.1. PCA for Riding membership is \$84.94.
 - 12.2. PCQ for Riding membership is \$66
 - 12.3. Club membership for riding members is unchanged as \$50 making it \$200.
 - 12.4. PCA for social \$38.85,
 - 12.5. Club membership for social members is unchanged at \$25.
 - 12.6. Family membership \$90 plus affiliation fees.
 - 12.7. Moved: Sam Leigh-Cooper
 - 12.8. Seconded: Amanda Taylor
13. Appointment of Auditor for 2024
 - 13.1. Amanda moved that we continue with the existing auditor Bruce O’Connor
 - 13.2. Seconded David Eldred
14. Amendment to Constitution
 - 14.1. 24.4 shall be changed to: All amounts fifty dollars or over shall be paid by electronic transfer.
 - 14.2. 24.5 will be removed as cheques are no longer relevant.
 - 14.3. Moved Sam Leigh- Cooper
 - 14.4. Members vote and agree to amend the above points of the constitution.
15. General Business

15.1. Each year the club must pay the Zone Affiliation fee on \$25 and the PCQ fee on \$20. Sam Leigh – Cooper moves that members are accepting of paying these fees when the arise.

15.2. The vote is a unanimous yes

15.3. Social night went really well this year. We will add more to the calendar for next year.

16. Meeting Closed: 18.25