

New Zealand Miniature Horse Association Inc



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
12-13 April 2014
Sudima Hotel, Christchurch

UNCONFIRMED

Present:

Margaret Miller, Jo Duke, Abby Duke, Karin Wilson, Heather Lough, Rose Butt, Leone Stables, Robyn Bell, Shona Milsom, Alyssa King.

With the Secretary being unable to take minutes due to a broken wrist Abby and Jo Duke undertook to take the minutes.

Apologies: Nil

Registry Problem: A discussion on the registration problem. As the other party had been invited to attend our meeting at 2.00 pm any further discussion was held over until after that time. The registrar was in attendance for a short time and then she left the meeting.

Members' Submissions:

Due of the number of submissions it was agreed that we discuss these first before other meeting business.

Submissions tabled, read and discussed regarding height submissions. Meeting confirmed that if American Shetlands comply with NZMHA rules they are legally able to show at NZMHA shows.

Considerable discussion then took place on the addition of another height division over 38" and up to and including 42".

Moved that under Article 30, para 3 we introduce a new height division for horses over 38 inches and up to 42 inches called Little Horse.

J Duke/R Bell

The meeting discussed how this new category could be implemented and the following Pros and Cons were put forward.

Pros:

- For submissions received relating to the new height introduction 95% of the submissions were in favor of creating a new division.
- Improving and bringing in new bloodlines.
- Retaining membership (easier to keep members than try and get them back) more options for members.

- Over height miniatures can be brought back into the registry, the addition of the new category will not just be to accommodate introduction of the American Shetlands
- Move the society forward in the right direction, inject more money into the association (extra horses in the additional category, an example of the category B stallions will now be more desirable another category to bred)

Cons:

- That there are people against the change

THE ABOVE MOTION was then put to the meeting and passed.

Planning and implementation of the new division: The meeting agreed that a document to be drawn up in due course with a base to forming this new division to sent out to members.

Minutes:

Minutes of the December 2013 Council meeting had been previously circulated.

Amendments to be made:

Showmanship Classes: Need to clarify that the ruling was a one-off .

Moved that the minutes of the meeting held 14th 15th December 2013 are a true and accurate record with the alteration as above

R Butt/ R Bell

Carried

Matters Arising from Minutes:

Letter to Luke Perrin re money for the cancellation of judging appointment and Money owing to the club has not been written. Margaret to write advising that we are disappointed with his actions.

Photo competition – To be re advertised in Tinytales and to go ahead and see if there are any further entries to the competition with a new due date.

Moved that the meeting move into committee

M. Miller/R Bell

Carried

Moved that the meeting move out of committee

M. Miller/R Bell

Carried

Inwards Correspondence:

PIC insurance – liability insurance

Linda Barraclough – Official Complaint regarding Mountain Minis

Elsworth Contracting – On Line Auction

Sharon Stevens regarding On Line Auction

Resignation of Jasmine Harrison

**Moved that we accept the resignation of Jasmine Harrison.
R Bell/ L Stables Carried**

Council adjourned for lunch at 12.30 pm
Reconvened 1.15 pm

**Moved that the meeting move in-committee
H Lough/ J Duke Carried**

**Moved that the meeting move out of in-committee
H Lough/A King Carried**

Outwards Correspondence:

Linda Barraclough
Thank you letters for the National show
Natalia Halliday
Shirley Gollan
Sharon Stevens
Sharon Neville
Kim Joy
Denise Wilson

**Moved that the inwards and outwards correspondence be accepted.
S Milsom/ A King Carried**

The meeting was advised on money owing for stabling at Hawera and the background to this.

**Moved that the meeting move into committee
S Milsom/M Miller Carried**

**Moved that the meeting move out of committee
S Milsom/M Miller Carried**

It is to be noted that future shows held at Hawera, camping must only be in pre-designated area. The competitors to be advised that the judges' room is not to be used by any competitors at any time and access must remain open to all.

LOC Report:

Margaret Miller advised the meeting that Patricia Blinkhorn has requested to be added to our judges' list. Further information to be obtained from NZAMHA Club on this person.

National Show

Jo Duke explained that it was the smoothest run National show in a long time.

Ring set up was maybe a little too small but they layout was really well set up and there were positive comments from competitors.

Meghan Lloyd made a big difference to the running of the show. She handled complaints and competitors extremely well. A thank you letter and token of appreciation be paid to Meghan Lloyd as she has paid all her own expenses and motel costs.

Moved that an amount of \$500 towards M Lloyds expenses be paid as a token of our appreciation.

A Duke/ H Lough

Carried

Jo Krilitech – ring steward has provided a report on her experience at the National Show. It was noted that she did camped free of charge at the grounds but the meeting agreed that in addition to this NZMHA would pay her petrol costs as a token of appreciation.

Moved that an amount of \$150 be paid to Joanne Krilitich be paid as a token of our appreciation.

Jo Duke/ Karin Wilson

Carried

Jo and Barry Simmons – helped at head table, no accommodation costs, supplied morning and afternoon teas. The meeting was advised that they were taken out for dinner as an appreciation.

Moved that an amount of \$150 + \$100 as a provision for any costs involved with morning teas and afternoon teas be paid to Jo and Barry Simmons as a token of appreciation.

J Duke/ A Duke

Carried

Letter to be sent Flick thanking them for the sponsorship of the Youth National Show uniforms.

National Show Judge 2015:

Moved that a Council remit to the AGM be written to alter the number of judges at the National Show be only one judge, with the exception of a second judge for the futurity, sweepstake, and breeders classes. Jo Duke to contact Lewis McKim to see if he would be interested in judging the show and if so be contacted to ascertain his availability prior to the July council meeting.

R Bell/A Duke

Carried

It was confirmed to the meeting that the dates booked at the Christchurch RDA of 3,4 and 5 April 2015 were too late. The Secretary confirmed other dates had become available and after discussion it was decided to confirm the date for the 2015 National Show as the last weekend in February, subject to availability of the stabling at the venue.

2014-2015 Showcase Shows:

The dates and venues for these shows was discussed but until the availability of the venues is confirmed the dates will not be confirmed. Regional Delegates asked to confirm the available of the grounds for next meeting when dates will be confirmed and released.

Moved that due to boundary changes there will be 3 showcase shows held in the North Island and 2 held in the South Island for the 2014/2015 show season.

J Duke/ A King

Carried

Against – H Lough

Moved that due to the lack of support for the last two years at showcase 7 in Gore that this showcase will now be held at Oamaru which will be called showcase 5.

J Duke/ A Duke

Carried

Leonie Stables advised the meeting that a decision needs to be made on the scaling of the all round awards at the National Show.

Moved that best all round classes be scaled in line with hi points

L Stables/ R Bell

Carried

Jo Duke advised that taking the entries this year was easier as everyone was better with paperwork.

Judges Seminar:

Allan Preston had been approached re a judges seminar at Labour Weekend. Margaret Miller to approach Wayne Hipsley about his availability to do a judging clinic in New Zealand.

Meeting closed at 4.20 pm

Sunday, meeting commenced at 9.15 am.

Moved that the meeting move into Committee

H Lough/ K Wilson

Carried

Moved that the meeting move out of Committee

H Lough/A Duke,

Carried

Finance

Abby Duke presented her report to the meeting.

Abby Duke to liaise with editor of Tiny Tales re contract.

Robyn Bell raised the issue of registrar's payment as workload has decreased but recognized that the introduction of the Little Horse category may increase workload. It was agreed that there be no change as the Registrar is doing a very good job.

Moved that the expenses for Council members and the venue for this meeting be approved

Abby Duke/Jo Duke

Carried

Moved that retrospective payments be approved

Abby Duke/Jo Duke

Carried

Annual General Meeting

Shona Milsom confirmed to the meeting that the Sudima was not available in July. Meeting agreed that the Treasurer to book flights for council members as soon as possible to get cheap fares.

The following timings were agreed upon:

Friday – council to be at venue for in-committee meeting at 7.00 pm.

Saturday - council meeting 10.30 am to be finished by 3.30 pm.

Saturday evening – awards dinner 7.30 pm.

Sunday – 9.30-10.30 am council meeting (Finance)

Sunday – 10.30 am morning tea

Sunday – 11.00 am Annual General Meeting

Venue to be advised as soon as possible.

Measuring

Height for age Little Horse category – 4 inches on current height for age.

Robyn Bell to investigate how easy it will be to adjust the current measuring sticks to cater for Little Horse category. Robyn advised she has one that can be adjusted, will bring cost and information to annual general meeting.

Leone Stables discussed measuring at shows.

That measuring at shows, except for foals will be at a cost of \$20.00.

J Duke/R Bell

Carried.

Secretary to send Leone Stables measuring books so that training can be started for those who have been accepted onto the measuring programme.

That Yolande Brosnan, Nerida Bryant, Colleen Phillips, Amanda Wilson, and Jackie Krzyzewski be approved to commence measuring training.

L Stables/A King

Carried.

Moved that Shane Phillips be approved as a measurer.

J Duke/A Duke

Carried.

The meeting agreed that Leone Stables to update measuring list and that all regional delegates to email list of names to Leone.

The meeting agreed that all NZMHA Measuring sticks to be recalled after the AGM for calibration and recirculation.

Association Records

Secretary to investigate storage units for document storage purposes and to bring back costs to July council meeting.

Registry

Moved that a list of approved inspectors as agreed at this meeting be given to the Registrar for all future inspections on imported horses.

J Duke/ R Bell.

Carried.

Lunch break 12.30 pm to 1.15 pm.

The following people to be approved as Inspectors Imported Horses

North Island:

Robyn Bell
Jo Duke
Sharon Neville
Shona Milsom
Alyssa King

South Island:

Heather Lough
Margaret Miller
Lynne Herron

General Business

Leone Stables to send trophy and ribbons to Debbie Sloan.

Judges utilization list to be updated for judging appointments this year.

Dates for Showcases to be confirmed via email after availability of grounds.

With no further business the meeting closed at 3.30 pm