

Canterbury Area Pony Club Inc.

Minutes of the NZPCA Canterbury Area Pony Club meeting held on
Thursday 16th of February 2023 at Eyreton Pony Club

MEETING OPENING: 7.37pm

WELCOME:

PRESENT: April Fitzjohn, Becci Thomas, Geraldine Rae, Shirley Smith, Jan Mackay
Via zoom: Michelle Wardell, Rachael Mahan, Kathy Clyma, Sue Zydenbos (for part of the meeting)

APOLOGIES: Clare Horridge, Eloise Baxter, Deb Christensen, Ginny McKenzie, Jan Swarbrick, Jodi Skidmore, Tania McQuarrie (Renee Dampier Crossley and Vikki Gould)

“Moved that apologies be accepted.”

Moved: Shirley **Seconded:** Geraldine

CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion: “The minutes of the meeting held on 29th November 2023 are accepted as a true and correct record.”

Moved: Rachael **Seconded:** Geraldine

CARRIED

ACTION LIST OF PREVIOUS MEETING

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

5 Dec- Championship Week - Information
5 Dec- Re: Championship Week - Games Regulations
7 Dec- NZPCA Championship Week
13 Dec- Facilities review- reminder
22 Dec- Centre membership
23 Dec- Minimum medical standards
6 Dec- Area Forum- February
31 Jan- NZPCA Area Show Jumping Team - HOY 2023
1 Feb- NZPCA Raffle
4 Feb- Area forum agenda

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

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** correspondence above has been forwarded on to club delegates and secretaries.

“Moved that correspondence in and out be accepted.”

Moved: April **Seconded:** Becci

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

N/A

Moved: Seconded:

CARRIED

COMMITTEE AND DISCIPLINE REPORTS

Financial – Tania McQuarrie

April apologised for not having forwarded the financial report from Tania. It will be attached to this email. She read an overview.

Coaching and Training – Michell Wardell

April read out Michelle's report.

Held a successful A/H exam

6 out of 7 passes. (4 Nth canty. 1 Otago . 1 Nelson)

Again we are privileged to have the effort and skill base to have 4 from Nth canty.

A lot to work on and change or adapt for next exam. Continual updating at nzpca has this time proved small issues. Very again lucky to have Anne Atkins Jane Withers and Peter to work with. Made for very smooth sailing from that end of things.

Everyone coped so very well in the heat.

Next is coaches conference to assist organising with nzpca.

C+ & B updating examiners clinic.

Also for the next two Saturdays (one Nth canty one chch)we are running a entry level -D-D+ & C coaches workshops.

April we will combine both as a part 2 follow on.

Later in the year will try to also run an area C+

Nzpca are highly encouraging coaches and examiners to step up. We are running these as a confidence and a pulse check to help aid a good easier course forward.

Also to aid coaches to pick target base groups to join at conference.

So it's a busy few months ahead. But all going well with enthusiasm

I am continuing to visit clubs / branches to support coaching and examine. Really looking forward to going to Amberley and Hurunui.

Inter Pacific – Geraldine Rae

Geraldine reported that the Inter Pacific challenge was a very successful trip. Those who attended from overseas really enjoyed the level of competition they took part in.

Dressage – Becci Thomas

The CAPC Dressage team had a successful trip to Gore. There was a bit of a rocky start with lame ponies.

The top team came 1st in the South Island and 1st in New Zealand. The second team came 4th in the South Island and around 7th nationally.

Katie Fitzsimons, Junior and Ella Fitzsimons, Intermediate both won their classes. Evie Eaton, Senior won best 1st time senior.

There were a few issues with scoring. One of the judges who judged the North Island competition could not attend the South Island competition so the fairest thing was to withdraw her scores from the NI results. Originally Canterbury were not awarded 1st place, but after several hours of painstaking paper and pencil work, Becci alerted the organising committee to the error. It was NOMINATE at fault. Eventually the Canterbury team were awarded their ribbons but without the normal pomp and ceremony.

Show Jumping – Becci Thomas

A lot of the Dressage riders also competed on the Show Jumping team.

The course was a tough one and the riders coped really well. They were always fighting time. Course walks started at 7am and the jumping started at 8am. Riders were not allowed to walk the course again.

The team came 2nd in the South Island and 3rd nationally. Becci mentioned that the jumping could have been spread out more.

Eventing/Horse Trial – Becci Thomas

Becci has called for expressions of interest and CAPC will send a team to Taupo.

Internet – Peter Goldsmith/Rachael Mahan

Nothing to report. Peter Goldsmith has been more proactive on the website of late.

Calendar - Bangor had requested that their event be held at a later date. It is now sched

Fundraising - April

Fundraising for accommodation in Gore for Championship Week was unsuccessful, unfortunately.

April will apply for funding for the ferry to the North Island for Eventing Champs. She will get quotes from Interislander and Bluebridge. She will then apply to NZCT or Pub Charity for the funding.

Moved: Becci **Seconded:** Shirley

CARRIED

Games – Sue Zydenbos

See attached report

Sue had wanted to raise the following but could not attend; This will be carried over to the next meeting.

I would also like to have some discussion about:

- feedback to NZPCA on the timetable and communication during the SI Champs event
- CAPC Funding of the teams attending SI Champs.
 - Financial support
 - Number of teams

Motion: "That all reports be accepted."

Moved: Becci **Seconded:** Rachal

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GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Area Forum

Geraldine and Becci are attending Area Forum in Wellington on Tuesday 21st February, delayed by a week because of cyclone Gabrielle.

We discussed the agenda and made collaborative decisions on how Becci and Geraldine will vote at Area Forum.

Each Area was asked what they wished to STOP, START and CONTINUE doing.

- STOP - there was mixed response. Possibly using NOMINATE as it has proved to be inaccurate eg at Championship Week in Gore
- START - Branches working together more. Christchurch does this well, North Canterbury not so much.
- CONTINUE - Coaches' clinics
- Championship Week - see earlier
- Eventing Champs - see above
- Communication

April commented that a lot of people are not responding to emails. Is it time to change the way in which we all communicate? Would a WhatsApp group work better?

April will ring all the delegates ahead of the AGM to check whether they plan on remaining on the committee or have someone else in the pipeline.

OTHER BUSINESS

Shirley requested that the date for the Bangor show was changed so as not to class with other events. This can be sorted when the date for Christmas Cracker has been determined.

Meeting Closed: 9.21pm (owing to two lots of zoom time running out)

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Some time in May for the AGM - TBA