

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
The Australian Stock Horse Society Limited
Held Crowne Plaza Newcastle
25 July 2009**

OPENING

The Chairman, J Poole was unable to attend the Meeting due to a family death.

The Senior Vice Chairman took the chair, thanked all Members in attendance and declared the Meeting open at 1.30pm

PRESENT

Sandy Langsford, Steve Jefferys, Wayne Smith Judy Field, Malcolm Field, Gordon Nash, Marion Nash, David Wilson, Kevin Hansen, Peter Jelliff, Jenny Petrich, Catherine Newman, Lynne Knight, Cheryl Hyde, Janet Hodges, Toni Lennard, Erin Hodges, Augusta Saunders, Neville Holz, Lynette Holz, Susan Wilson, Jill Maccintyre, Jean Gavin, Vicki Mascord, Reva Flint, Jaci Mascord, Bruce Moxey, Bruce Withers, Lindsay Ferguson, Amanda Riordan, Goordie Akeroyd, Louise Best, Rob Sharp, Joe Best, Michael Wilson, Debbie Prichard, Cecilia Gavin, Sally Scott, Robyn Atkins, Tony Atkins, Les Walsh, Stephen Simpson, Rod Blomfield, Amanda Blomfield, John Lyons, John Green, Jackie Long, Jo Briggs, Brian Hodges, Tiffany Green, Sharyn McKell, Jane Davies,

APOLOGIES

Craig and Janelle Young, Gerald and Kyra O'Brien, Joy Poole, Ray and Denise Mitchell, Glen Gough, Iain Hyde, Ken Knight, Sue Goodmanson, Gwen Lyons, D Turner, Paul and Robyn Lawson, John and Janis Coates, George Richardson, Anne Jelliff, Felicity Green

Moved Jean Gavin seconded Jacki Long that the Apologies be accepted.

CARRIED

A Minute Silence was observed for recently deceased Director, Dianne Newberry and ASH member Claudia York.

PROXY VOTES

Richard Folpp/Chairman, Venita Colquhoun/Chairman, Stephen Paull/J Poole

Bronwyn Smith (Rawhide Performance Horses) /J Green, CE & N Maundrell, (Ashby Stud)/J Green, Lorna Fanning/J Green, Max Glasser (Glasser Family)/J Green, Amanda MCLennan Dehnert/J Green, Gwen MacMillan/J Green, Mary Ann Atthow/J Green, Kenneth Perrin/J Green, Joen Kerr/J Green, Sharon Durre/J Green, Sue Goodmanson/J Green, Scott Meiklejohn (Braemore Stock Horses)/J Green, Michelle Gilbert (Sara Oaks Stud)/J Green, Scott Humphreys/J Green.

David Thistleton/D Wilson, Cheryl Cooke/D Wilson, Willaim Van Weerdenburg/D Wilson, Susan Wilson/D Wilson, Norman Creighton/D Wilson, Jamie Nelson/D Wilson, Helen Treloar/D Wilson, Leslie McArthur/D Wilson, Margaret Andrews/D Wilson, Heath Andrews/D Wilson, Cris Lord/D Wilson, Diana Priestly/D Wilson, Sophie Coe/D Wilson, Adrienne Bowden/D Wilson, Colleen McQueen/D Wilson, Matthew Clarke/D Wilson, Sandra Moss/D Wilson, Ronald Steiger/D Wilson, Amanda Spinks/D Wilson, David Ross/D Wilson, Elizabeth Stone/D Wilson, Malcolm Palmer/D Wilson, Stacey Thomas/D Wilson, Graeme Patison/D Wilson

Moved J Lyons seconded Les Walsh that the Proxy Votes be accepted.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The General Manager read the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting that was held at the Outback Spectacular Queensland 26 July 2008

Moved Peter Jelliff seconded David Wilson that the Minutes of the AGM Meeting held at the Outback Spectacular, Queensland, 26 July 2008 be accepted.

CARRIED

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Senior Vice Chairman, J Petrich, read the Chairman's Annual Report.

Moved J Petrich seconded G Nash that the Chairman's Report be accepted.

CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT /FINANCIAL REPORT

S Scott the Society's Treasurer presented the Financial Report.

J Lyons congratulated the Board on the Financials. He asked that now that the Reserves are built up in comfortable position, has the Board made any decision with the reserves in the future.

Jean Gavin – asked for the breakup on Youth.

Lindsay Ferguson asked about the growth in membership and does one state stand out.

Neville Holz congratulated the Treasurer and Management of the Society on a good financial result.

Moved S Scott seconded N Holz that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 2009/2010

Moved S Scott seconded Les Walsh that Rose and Partners be appointed as the Society's Auditors for 2009/2010.

F Coonan was absent, NSW Management Council to arrange presentation.

PRINCE OF WALES PERPETUAL TROPHY

S Scott presented a rug and picture to Gussie Saunders owner of RINGWOULD JAGUAR

COMMONWEALTH BANK STAR OF THE YEAR TROPHY

M Field presented rug and cheque to Sandy Langsford and Steve Jefferys – THE BRAES DRUMMER

GENERAL BUSINESS

Proposed change to the Articles

Bruce Moxey recommended to the Board that once an individual is appointed as a Director to the Board of the Australian Stock Horse Society Limited he or she cannot hold a State Management position or vote at a State Management Council meeting, must resign from the State Management Council position before taking up the directorship.

J Green asked for background on the recommendation.

Bruce Moxey would like to see more transparency from the Board and this was reiterated by Toni Lennard.

J Petrich gave an explanation as a delegate and director at State Management Council Level in North Queensland. As a director she abstains from voting at Management Council Level.

J Lyons – Asked what did the Board have in mind for the future of National Shows.

Chairman of the Sports replied that the National Show will be split until 2011. He informed members that Riverina Branch has volunteered to run the 2009 Youth Show. This will be open to other States for the coming years.

Bruce Moxey recommended that a call for Expressions of Interest from individuals across Australia to form National Committee.

Peter Jelliff would like the National Show defined. Currently there is not a standard programme or five year plan, what show where and when we are going to hold it. Society needs to plan ahead for Members.

Michael Wilson strongly recommends the Board conduct a review of Judges, the selection process, the role of the National Judges Panel. Michael also recommends that Board Members do not compete at National events.

Les Walsh – table a Five Year Plan for yearling to five year old. For further discussion and consideration at next Board Meeting.

Jill MacIntrye - Advised that she was running successful camps to assist in promoting youth. Jill has been involved with her local Pony Club and introduced ASH disciplines and activities such as Time Trial. This has been very well received.

Amanda Riordan – suggested a Coaching procedure manual for future coaches. Manual could include a step by step guide for Coaches holding their first clinic.

Amanada Riordan has requested more support for Export eg through activities such as Spruce Meadows.

Gussie Saunders – commenting on Five Year Plan relating to the Futurity in WA. WA have been running a continuing Futurity for a number of years and have now stopped. The overall result came to fractions of points for 1 major prize on offer at the conclusion.

Gussie Saunders raised the issue of a WA Coaches not being used by the Society

Steve Jefferys –.The Society not giving coaches a support base to market their coaching and in turn market their horses.

Peter Jelliff – suggested that Coaches have biographies available either on the website or I printed in the journal. We are not promoting our coaches to our members.

Geordie Akeroyd – Acknowledgement of Letters to the Board from the office. The Society should send an acknowledgement when correspondence is received.

Amateur Status why it was not honoured. This matter on the agenda for the next Board Meeting.

Judy Field – Members are anxious to see the show again. Any committee considering running the National Show should consider volunteers and include in the budget paying a secretary and other key roles.

Cheryl Hyde-Bring the Show back to one event. Many members can't afford to attend 3 separate events. Call for more coaches and to review the whole package.

Geordie Akeroyd – If the Society wants to know the feeling of members on matters, recommend that member surveys are conducted. Survey should be available on the website.

General Manager encourages all members to take some time and complete surveys to assist with obtaining balanced feedback. To date, survey response rates are very poor.

Bruce Moxey – would like more support from the Board for musical rides in North Queensland, this may be way of additional ASHS flags.

M Wilson questioned the price of processing DNA testing vs the Society fee for the service.

General Manager to review.

Jacqui Mascord –commented on a recent event at Pony Club and the usage of previous Junior Judges. Very positive outcome.

With no further business meeting was closed at 4.10pm.