

Notice of the Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of The Australian Stock Horse Society will be held on

**Saturday, 25th May 2024 at 1.00pm (AWST)
At the Rendezvous Hotel Perth Scarborough, WA**

8.45am AWST (10.45am AEST):	Registrations & Morning Tea
9.00am AWST (11.00am AEST):	Members Forum <i>Remote Branches & Members - Reasons to Belong</i>
10.30am AWST (12.30pm AEST):	Questions on Notice <i>To be received by Head Office COB Friday, 17th May</i>
11.00am AWST (1.00pm AEST):	Guest Speaker - Tiny Holly <i>Auctioneer, MC, mental health advocate and charity fundraiser</i>

AGENDA

- AGM Opening & Acknowledgment of Country 1.00pm AWST (3.00pm AEST)**
- Present & via Video Link**
- Apologies**
- Proxies**
- Confirmation of Minutes of the 2023 AGM**
Motion 1: Previous Minutes
- Matters Arising from the Minutes**
- Chairman's Report**
Motion 2: Chairman's Report
- Treasurer's Report/ Financial Report**
Motion 3: Audited 2023 Financial Report
- Appointment of Auditors for 2024**
Motion 4: Appointment of Auditors
- Directors' Reports**
- Board of Directors' Election Results**
- Special Resolutions**
Alterations to Constitution
Motion 5: The Board recommends that Clause 3.1(e) Number of Directors, of the Society Constitution, be amended to allow members to vote in a State or Territory other than that in which they reside if the member has been an active member of a Branch and/or Management Council in such State or Territory.
From:
 - Number of Directors
 - The Society must have ten (10) Directors to be known as the Board, unless the Society in general meeting otherwise determines.
 - The said ten (10) Directors shall comprise Directors as follows:
 - Four (4) Directors each residing in New South Wales;
 - Two (2) Directors each residing in South Queensland;
 - Two (2) Directors residing in South Australia and/or Victoria and/or Tasmania (Continued over page).

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- (iv) One (1) Director residing in Northern Queensland and/or Northern Territory; and
- (v) One (1) Director residing in Western Australian
- (c) For the purposes of this clause 3.1(b) New South Wales shall be deemed to include the Australian Capital Territory.
- (d) The Directors shall be residents within the States/ Territories they seek to represent and shall be elected by the members within their respective States/ Territories.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, a member shall be eligible to seek election to the Board in a State or Territory other than where they reside if they have been an active member of a Branch and/or Management Council within the relevant State or Territory for not less than five (5) years preceding the election. The candidate's nomination must be verified by the relevant Branch/ Management Council to that effect and shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.

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 - (ii) a member shall be eligible to vote in an election to the Board;in a State or Territory other than that in which the member resides if that member has been an active member of a Branch and/or Management Council in such State/ Territory for not less than five (5) years prior to the election. A certificate to that effect by the relevant Branch and/or Management Council shall be conclusive evidence of that fact and must accompany the nomination of a candidate for election, and the vote of a member, as the case may be.

Motion 6: ASHLA requests to transition from Management Council to Branch. Adoption of Changes to Clause 15-15.1:- Management Councils and 14.3 of the Constitution:

From:

Objects, Aims & Structures of the Society

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15.1 Management Councils

- 15.1 The Board shall, subject to this clause 15, have the power to approve the creation of Management Council or Councils to properly represent the interests of Branches within their designated geographical area **including but not limited to The Australian Stock Horse Ladies Association.**

14.3 The duties and responsibilities of a Branch of the Society are:

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- (b) To properly carry out such functions as may from time to time be delegated to it by the Board or Management Council. (Continued over page).

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(c) Promote the interests of the Society within the area served by the Branch in such ways as from time to time are directed by the Board or Management Council (as the case may be) or as the Branch Committee shall consider appropriate.

(d) To comply with all relevant statutes, and legal requirements and obligations including as to the keeping of accounts and the filing of returns.

(e) To encourage the creation of a committee to represent the interests of the Australian Stock Horse Ladies Management Council at Branch level and to facilitate any activities which that committee wishes to undertake in furtherance of its objects.

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13. Casual Vacancies

Motion 7: Appoint Larry Cutler to fill the SEAMC vacancy as Director until the 2026 AGM

Motion 8: Appoint Sam Amey to fill the NSW vacancy as Director until the 2025 AGM

Motion 9: Appoint Robert Watchirs to fill the NSW vacancy as Director until the 2026 AGM

14. Honorary Life Membership

Motion 10: Honorary Life Membership nomination for Christine Brooker, NSW

Motion 11: Honorary Life Membership nomination for Sally Scott, WA

Motion 12: Honorary Life Membership nomination for Iain Hyde, TAS

Motion 13: Honorary Life Membership nomination for Karen Mori, WA

15. Management Council/ Branch Reports

State Management Council Reports, ASHLA Report, Western Australia Report & State Management Awards

16. Presentation to Diamond & Platinum Members

17. Tribute to Past Members

18. "Crack Off" for retired Directors - Darren de Jong, David Ricketts and Lance Butcher

19. AGM Closing 3.30pm AWST (5.30pm AEST)