



**Springston Trophy  
Annual Meeting of Delegates 2007**

**Minutes**

**Venue:** Golden Gate Hotel Cromwell

**Time:** 7.45pm

**Date:** Friday 28 September 2007

**Chairman:** John Brownlee

**Minute Secretary:** Lynda Bateman

**1. Welcome**

John Brownlee opened the meeting. Peter Faul, the Event Director welcomed everyone.

The meeting stood in a minutes silence in memory of Chloe Cockerill.

**2. Apologies**

Olivia Waddy (Cheviot)

*It was moved, from the Chair, that the apology be accepted. CARRIED.*

**3. Roll Call (Branches)**

Those present marked sheets passed around.

Oamaru, Elderslie Totara, Okuku, Belfast, Central Southland, Wyndham, Hawea/Wanaka, Mosgiel, Kingswell, Kaiapoi, Viewhill, Bangor, Oxford, Eyerton, Amberley, Balmoral, Waikouaiti, Strath Taieri, West Taieri, Dunedin, Wakatipu, Lyalldale, Tinwald, Otipua, Ferrymead, Halswell, Rangiora, Roydvale, Springston, Balmoral South Otago, Clinton, Peninsula, Waihora, Waikaia, Nelson, Graham Barkman, Bob Stringer, Geraldine Rae

Patron John Lavender,

Heather Truman (NZPCA COM Nelson/Marl/West Coast),

Guardians Mary Adams, Lester Truman, Noel Griffin, Jan Swarbrick

2007 Event Director. Peter Faul

NZPCA Chief Executive Keith Scarlett

**4. Adoption of Standing Orders**

*It was moved that the Standing Orders as presented be adopted.*

*Geraldine Rae/ Euan Muirson. (Eyreton)*

*CARRIED.*

**5. Confirmation of minutes**

*It was moved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 2006 at the RDA Building, Canterbury Agricultural Park be accepted as a true and correct record.*

*Heather Truman/Brent Snelllex (Rangiora)*

*CARRIED.*

**6. Matters arising from the minutes** There were no matters arising.

## **7. Correspondence**

7.1 Central Southland Pony Club branch nominating Mary Adams as Guardian for Otago/Southland region

7.2 Application from North Canterbury Pony Club to host Springston Trophy 2008.

7.3. Application from Christchurch Pony Club to host Springston Trophy 2009.

7.4 Application from Kaikoura Pony Club to host Springston Trophy 2008.

*It was not moved that the correspondence be accepted but the letters were all dealt with during the meeting..*

## **8. Business arising from the correspondence**

**8.1** *It was moved that Mary Adams be approved as Guardian for the Otago Southland region. Sharon McHugh (Central Southland)/Maggie Hillock (Wakatipu)* *Carried*

**8.2** Jan Swarbrick spoke on behalf of Kaikoura Pony Club rescinding their application to host Springston in 2008 and asked that the application be considered to host Springston in 2009.

**8.3** *It was moved that North Canterbury Pony Club host Springston Trophy in 2008. Euan Murison (Eyreton)/John Brownlee* *Carried*

**8.4** John Brownlee read out the applications to host Springston in 2009 from Christchurch Pony Club and Kaikoura Pony Club.

*It was moved from the Chair that Kaikoura Pony Club host Springston Trophy in 2009.* *Carried*

## **9. Appointment of Patrons**

*The current Patrons Joan McCall and John Lavender were nominated and elected the Patrons for the ensuing year. Noel Griffin/ Euan Murison (Eyreton)* *Carried*

## **10. Election of Guardian(s)**

Mary Adams has already been elected.

## **11. Confirmation of Entry Fees**

*Peter Faul moved that the team entry and nomination fee combined be changed to \$300.00. Seconded Maggie Hillock*

*Bernie Hunsche (Dunedin) moved an amendment that the team entry and nomination fee combined be changed to \$250.00.*

*The amendment was moved, from the Chair and carried.*

*The amendment became the motion- That the entry fee and nomination fee combined be \$250.* *Carried.*

## **12. Notices of Motion**

There were no notices of motion.

## **13. Remits**

Remits 1 – 4 were passed at last years Delegates A.G.M and are represented for final confirmation

### **REMIT 1:**

**Remit1:** That rule 11.4.2 has the following sentence added – Rules 10 to 12 (Administration Rules) may be amended by a remit being passed at one A.G.M

**Explanation:** In the minutes of 2002 A.G.M. the following is recorded – “There are a number of rules that are administration – Rules 10 to 11.4.1 inclusive. The Guardians recommended that these be able to be adjusted on an annual basis at an A.G.M.” In the minutes there is no record of this proposal being moved and discussed and voted on. The official Rules were also never altered. The above remit gives the A.G.M. an opportunity to vote on the rule change.

**Remit2:** That the following sentence be added to rule 10.3 “When a vote is required for the election of a Guardian only delegates from the region concerned will be eligible to vote.”

**Explanation:** This remit is proposed to clarify the situation after the remit proposed from the meeting last year was passed. Remits for rule changes from the floor are not allowed and remit 1 above also effects the situation. A vote on this remit at the A.G.M. will clarify the situation. (Note the rule changes proposed appear on the website, but the official rules have not been changed at this stage.)

There was some discussion about the difference between Regions and Areas.

**Remit 3:** That the last sentence in rule 10.3 – “When two members etc” – be deleted from the rules.

**Explanation:** With the new method of electing Guardians this sentence is no longer relevant.

**Remit 4:** That the following sentence be added to rule 11.4.2 – Remits are to be in the hands of the competition organizing secretary by the date of team nominations and circulated to member branches within 14 days and printed again in full in the agenda for the A.G.M.

**Explanation:** When the remit to alter the amendment to Springston Rules was drafted last year this sentence was excluded from the remit. The above remit corrects the situation.

*It was moved that remits 1-4 be accepted.*

*Emma Barker (West Taieri)/Chris Bond (Bangor)*

*Carried*

Remits 5, 6 and 7 are presented for the first time.

**Remit 5:** From the Kingswell Pony Club; that a new sentence be added to the rule 10.2 at the end of the first paragraph – that the guardians will have voting rights at the A.G.M.

**Explanation:** This remit is being proposed to replace the remit that was left to lie on the table at the last A.G.M. There was some dispute because the remit was proposed by the Guardians. The remit is now proposed by a branch. In rule 10.2 it states the executive of the competition will be known as the Guardians. Executive members normally have voting rights. At the last A.G.M. it was intimated the Guardians could dominate the A.G.M. – there are four of them as against fifty or more delegates.

The Guardians work on behalf of Pony Club members and it is reasonable to grant them voting rights.

*Noel Griffin (Kingswell)/Janet McLachlan (Balmoral)* *Carried*

**Remit 6:** From the Kingswell Pony Club; that a new sentence be inserted in rule 11.4.2. After the first sentence – Remits or topics for discussion may be proposed by any Branch, or Club without Branches, or by the Guardians.

**Explanation:** Nowhere in the rules is it stated who may put forward remits or topics for discussion. The purpose of this remit is to clarify the situation that has existed for many years.

From the branch point of view the situation is obvious.

From the Guardians point of view on many occasions a meeting has requested the Guardians to research some topic and to bring forward a remit or topic for discussion if considered appropriate – surely they must be able to put or propose this remit or topic for discussion, also from time to time the Guardians may consider some point should go forward as a remit or

topic for discussion so the delegates debate and make a decision or direction. The guardians should be able to initiate such a remit or topic for discussion.

*Noel Griffin (Kingswell)/Chris Bond (Balmoral) Carried*

**Remit 7:** From the Balmoral Pony Club; that a composite team is allowed to have their branch or club name, and or joint names, followed with the word composite.

**Explanation:** One day a composite team will win the Trophy and it would be nice to remember the club or branches making up that team rather than a made up team name where the identity of those in that team often gets lost. With the colours it is so much easier to use your Club/Branch colours rather than purchasing new ones or sewing on stripes etc.

*It was) moved that every composite team must include up to three of the majority club branch names and include composite. This is subject to the host committee's approval.*

*Janet McLachlan (Balmoral)/Bridget Kok (Tinwald) Carried*

**Topic for discussion:** From Jan Swarbrick; that the close of entries for composite teams is 3 or 4 days after the close of Branch or Club entries.

**Explanation:** it has become obvious to me as a Guardian that there is a lot of pressure and panic to get these composite forms signed and sent away by the closing date. Managers having to ring the host club asking if they can send their entries in later. The reason is mostly that some branches name their team only a day before close of entries. With this it only gives some composite teams a day to get their team together and get forms signed by the D.C and Guardian. I don't think it would make much difference to the host being a few days later as usually there is a month until the event. Food for thought.

Jan Swarbrick spoke to this and there was a general discussion. North Canterbury Pony Club indicated that in 2008 they would be happy to have two different dates.

#### **14. Amendment to the Rules**

No amendments.

#### **15. Springston Trophy 2008**

Euan Murison from North Canterbury Pony Club spoke on behalf of the Club and tabled information to be collected after the meeting.

## **16. SI Pony Club Showjumping Championships 2008**

Brent Snellex from Rangiora Pony Club advised that the 2008 SI Pony Club Showjumping Championships will be held at Rangiora showgrounds on January 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> 2008. More information about this event will be available on the NZPCA website.

## **17. General Business**

**17.1** In the programme in future could the place each team comes from please be included.

**17.2** Mary Adams thanked Central Southland for her nomination as Guardian and commented that Branch teams who go with 4 or 5 riders can be just as competitive as other teams.

**17.3** Cheryl Murison (Eyretton) thanked the organizing committee and said that the Cross Country Course looked wonderful.

**17.4** There was a question asking for clarification of the composite rules.

Tom Sharp gave a vote of thanks for the chairman.

Meeting closed 9.21 PM