

SPRINGSTON TROPHY Annual Meeting of Delegates

Venue: The Conference Room, Donegal House, School House Rd, Kaikoura

Time: 7.30pm, Friday 14 October 2011

Chairperson: Brent Snellex, Minute Secretary: Linda Pharazyn

1. Welcome

Chairman Brent Snellex welcomed Delegates, Patrons: John Lavender, Noel Griffin , Guardians: Anne Atkins, Mary Adams, Euan Muirson, Lester Truman, and NZPCA President, Marj Steiner.

2. Apologies

West Taieri, Geraldine Rae – Nth Canterbury DC, Rick Page – Christchurch DC
It was moved that Apologies be accepted .

Moved Anne Atkins /Seconded Blue Clarke

Carried

3. Roll Call – Those present signed sheets at the entrance.

The following Branches were represented: Amberley, Balmoral, Blenheim, Clyde, Eyreton, Glenroy Windwhistle, Greymouth, Halswell, Hawea Wanaka, Hurunui, Kaikoura, Kingswell, Lyalldale, Marshlands, Mosgiel, North Otago, Otipua, Oxford, Rakaia, Rangiora, Renwick, Riccarton Fendalton, Saddlevue, Strath Taieri, View Hill, Waihora, Waikouaiti, West Melton Weedons, Westport.

The Chairman gave speaking rights to Delegates, Guardians, Patrons and Marj Steiner (NZPCA)

4. Adoption of Standing Orders

It was moved that Standing Orders as presented be adopted with the following addition:

An amendment of a rule presented at its second Annual Meeting of Delegates shall only be accepted following approval of the original Proposer, subject to the leave of the meeting.

Moved Euan Muirson /Seconded Blue Clarke

Carried

5. Confirmation of Minutes for Annual Meeting of Delegates 2010

It was moved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 1st Oct 2010 in Ascot Park Hotel Invercargill were a true and correct record.

Moved John Lavender /Seconded Euan Muirson

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- Remits for second reading - see below
- 2012 venue

7. Correspondence

- Remit 1 and Remit 2 – see under Remits below.
- Gary Cole, Saddlevue Pony Club re hosting Springston Trophy 2013 – see Next Year's venue below

It was moved the inwards correspondence be accepted

Moved Anne Atkins /Seconded Lester Truman

Carried

8. Appointment of Patrons

John Lavender and Noel Griffin remain
Moved Euan Muirson

Carried

9. Election of Guardian(s)

Lester Truman to continue

10. Confirmation of Entry Fees – at present the entry fee is \$250 per team.

Confirmed fees to remain the same. Moved Jan Swarbrick/ Seconded Heather Laugeson

11. Notice of Motion

NIL

12. Remits

The following remits were presented for second reading. Please refer to the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Delegates, 2010, for the Intention of Motions, background to motions, and the previous discussion on the floor.

1. “The Organising Committee have the right to charge late fees, the amount to be decided by the Organising Committee.” Kingswell Pony Club

- Concern was raised that a late fee might discourage entries and the intention is to encourage as many entries as possible.

Moved Noel Griffin/ Seconded Lester Truman

Remit

Withdrawn

2. “That combinations (Horse and rider) have completed two events at the height required to be a member of a team entered.” Balclutha Pony Club

Points raised in discussion:

- Club teams should comply with composite team requirements
- This remit would help ensure the safety of the combination.
- It is very difficult to qualify now. If the qualifying criteria are more stringent, it will be even harder.
- Composite riders often don't know each other, hence the selection criteria, however the DC or the Head Coach knows their club riders and should know if they are capable.
- DC can only give dispensation to the rally rule. Regardless of rules it behoves clubs to make sure their riders are qualified and safe.
- Areas with few and spread out clubs find it very difficult to get their riders to qualifying ODEs. If this remit is passed it will deny riders the opportunity to compete at Springston Trophy.
- Horses get injured and it may be impossible to qualify the second mount in time.
- Many riders at this Springston Trophy would not be riding if this remit carries.
- It should be a recommendation rather than a rule
- It should be up to clubs to make rules that work for them.
- Discussion re protocol.

Remit Failed

3. “Composite teams will be allowed an extra week to enter, but should notify the Organising Committee of their intent to enter as early as possible. A TEAM or TEAMS (not exceeding TWO) will comprise of (2001).... “

- To make provision for a team to be put together with left over riders so that as many qualified riders as possible are able to enter.

Remit carried so the Amendment becomes the Rule.

As a result of discussion at the previous Annual Meeting of Delegates the following two remits were proposed:

1. Re Ages:

Proposal to bring Springston in line with NZPCA rules for all other competitions. It will also bring it in line with South Island Show Jumping Champs. This will also allow a greater number of riders to compete till they finish Pony Club.

Also changing the date of age to the first day of competition makes more sense as Springston has moved due to now having a four term year.

Current rule reads:

6.2.1 Age of rider shall be as at 1st August each year (1979)

6.2. All entries by TEAMS will be made by a date notified by the ORGANISING COMMITTEE. A TEAM or TEAMS (not exceeding TWO) will comprise of
CLASS I SENIOR TWO RIDERS 20 YEARS AND UNDER
CLASS II INTERMEDIATE

TWO RIDERS 16 YEARS AND UNDER

CLASS III JUNIOR
TWO RIDERS 13 YEARS AND UNDER

Proposed rule

6.2.1 Age of rider shall be as at 1st Day of competition

6.2. All entries by TEAMS will be made by a date notified by the ORGANISING COMMITTEE. A TEAM or TEAMS (not exceeding TWO) will comprise of (20010:

CLASS I (SENIOR)
TWO RIDERS UP TO THE END OF THE SEASON THEY REACH
THE AGE OF 21 YEARS
AND UNDER

CLASS II INTERMEDIATE
TWO RIDERS 16 YEARS AND UNDER

CLASS III JUNIOR
TWO RIDERS 13 YEARS AND UNDER.

Clarification: Season 1st August to 31st July

Points raised in discussion:

- Concern that it would cut out eligibility of some junior riders by two months, and many clubs have difficulty finding qualified junior riders.
- If we stayed with the 1st August it allows to forward plan.
- It was pointed out that school holiday dates are set in advance and Springston Dates are known at least a year ahead.

Chairman asked that this remit be voted on by show of hands. For – 22, Against - 18

Passed first

reading

This remit will now be taken to the 2012 Annual Meeting of Delegates for its second reading.

2. Re Guardians signing Composite Teams:

Current Rule: 3.6 In addition to the Rule 6.5 requirement, (signature of DC/HI) where possible the nearest Guardian should also sign the entry form. (It is expected that where possible the guardians will oversee and approve any proposed Composite Teams.)
Proposed Rule 3.6 In addition to the Rule 6.5 requirement, (signature of DC/I) The nearest Guardian should also sign the entry form. Where a team is being formed by riders from different Clubs the regional Guardian of each Club must sign. In lieu of a signature of email or fax from the relevant Guardian/s to the Secretary of the Organising Committee will be sufficient (It is expected that where possible the guardians will oversee and approve any proposed Composite Teams.)

Reason:

It is the intent that Composite teams should be made up of Branches of the same Club or Branches/Clubs from the same Area first, by insisting the Guardian/s sign the entry adherence to this principal should be achieved.

Passed first reading

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14. Amendment to the Rules

NIL

15. Approval of Venue 2012 –

Address by 2012 hosts, Waihora Pony Club. Nick Preston – Described preparations being well underway for 2012.

Hosts to be appointed for 2013 –

Letter received from Saddleview PC . The Saddleview Pony Club in Dunedin wishes to put forward the following motion to the Springston AGM Kaikoura 2011.

That; The Saddleview Pony Club, a branch of Dunedin District Pony Club, host the Springston Trophy competition in 2013. The proposed competition site will be at the Telford Rural Polytechnic grounds in Balclutha. The new purpose built cross country course will be built on the 70ha of land known as the Eastern Block.

Su Reed spoke to the motion.

No further nominations were made.

Moved acceptance of Saddleview Julian Reynolds /Seconded Sarah Swarbrick

Carried

Hosts for 2014. Nil submitted as yet.

16. General Business

Anne Atkins advised the meeting that the pending changes to the NZPCA Constitution may need the Guardians to be able to make interim adjustments to the Springston Trophy rules so that Springston Trophy may continue in 2012.

Concerns were raised about Guardians having too much power. Euan Muirson described a scenario where a change in constitution could mean no DC's, in which case no riders could be signed off to enter Springston Trophy in 2012.

It was moved that the Guardians be able to make temporary changes to the Springston Trophy rules, any changes to be ratified at the next Springston Trophy Annual Meeting of Delegates.

Moved Blue Clarke/ Seconded John Lavender

Carried

Meeting closed 8.23pm