

# **Summary of Business – November 2017**

Below is a summary of business from the Dressage Victoria Committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017.

Attendees: Lone Joergensen; Julia Battams; Veronica Stewart; Annabelle Johnstone; Michael Bragge; Louise Curran; Kristy-Lee Brilliant; Jane Ventura; Jan Smith; Lizzie Schrimmer; Fiona Baxter (EV); Gabriella Rivett (EV).

## 1. Election of DV Chair and Committee Nominations

Michael Bragge reaches end of term at DV Committee Chair. Julia Battams nominated as new Chair, supported by all and elected as new Chair of DV Committee. DV thanks Michael Bragge for his contributions to DV.

Nominations for Committee admittance received from Veronica Stewart and Lizzie Schrimmer. Both nominations accepted and Veronica and Lizzie both admitted to DV Committee.

#### 2. DV Committee portfolio governance and riders representative changes

Gabriella Rivett assumes communications responsibilities. Kristy-Lee Brilliant assumes clubs responsibilities. Lizzie Schrimmer assumes position as liaison to AOR.

No riders representative nomination changes noted as of the time of DV meeting.

#### 3. Horse Welfare

Confusion has been raised to the DV Committee regarding the application of yellow cards under state rules. It was suggested that it be raised to EA that EA/EV adopt carding ruling closer to the FEI rules, with allowances for local provisions.

Swabbing has been confirmed as being discretely upheld, although it is not financially viable at present to undertake extensive swabbing application over a variety of events. It was moved to apply swabbing procedures to two smaller events, in addition to the more major events, which will not be publisced.

#### 4. Judges

Jane Ventura discussed with the committee the ongoing need to bring judges to remote areas and supported needed to be given to judges travelling and during reaccreditation periods from DV.

It was discussed that clarity is needed around the remuneration given to judges and must be communicated to judges prior to the event which they will judge.

#### 5. Events

Dressage Festival – It was noted that there has been a significant improvement in entries from last year to this year. Indoor lighting and surface upgrades of WPNEC were discussed as a contribution

to the improvement of the event. Jane Ventura confirms the securing of two FEI five star judges are secured.

DJWTS – Annabelle Johnstone suggests that the visiting international FEI judge stay on after visit to host a seminar or clinic. It was discussed that the event be marketed and open to PC and HRCAV riders, however conflict was found in the way of Monday being a potential issue for lower level or non-EA riders in participation.

A new white dressage arena barrier is needed at WPNEC. It was suggested that EA sponsor the cost of this arena in exchange for naming rights, as done so in the past.

AYDC – Jan Smith notes issues with ADC of age limit not running to 25 years, being only 21 years. This issue will be explored further by the relevant parties.

## 6. Para dressage

It was discussed that a national para committee may be needed, as opposed to being governed by ADC.

# 7. High performance off horse training

Discussions were had surrounding the disciplines that should be included under the "high performance" umbrella – to include para and/or to disclude show horse. Further clarification is needed around what is the EA ideal of high performance training prior to individual discipline planning of funding.

#### 8. Volunteers and officials

It was moved that every volunteer and officials participating in events with children needs to have a Working With Children Check.

#### 9. Other general business

It was discussed that EV become a corporate member of Australian Horse Industry Council. It was discussed that the implementation of the 2018 calendar needs a new approach, which will be collaborated in it's application between EV and Kristy-Lee Brilliant in her new clubs role.

Next Meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018