

Interschool Victoria INTERSCHOOL COMMITTEE GENERAL MEETING

Online 7.30pm, Tuesday, 13th June 2023

MINUTES

| AGENDA NO. | ISSUE / TOPIC | DISCUSSION | ACTION |
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| 1 | INTRODUCTION / WELCOME | | |
| 1.1 | PRESENT: Julia Williams (JW) – Chair, Mary Anne McPherson (MM), Julia Gibson (JG), Karen Lawrence (KL) Michelle Heagney (MH) Pip Hodson (PH) APOLOGIES: Lauren Braniff (LB) Paula Binnie (PB) Did not receive meeting invitation IN ATTENDANCE: Jamie Harding (JH) | | |
| 1.2 | None to report | S OF INTEREST/S | |
| 2 | MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEET ISV Committee Minutes of 4 th April and accurate record. Business arising: Duplication of VEI Purpose of VEIS is to run the series. invited to next ISV meeting | be accepted as a true Moved: KL Seconded: MH S and ISV members. | |
| 2.1 | ACTION ITEMS | Team Selection Policy approved by EV Board EA National Interschool Committee formation- expressions of interest called for State Champs dates confirmed Exemption process for riders with disabilities. New EAIC will have para representative | Thanks to PB who is part of EAIC selection panel as ISV rep. |

| 3 | CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED | | |
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| | In Out | Thank you from RDA who ran Special Olympics on the last day of State Championships Pip Hodson feedback States EA National Committee Ag shows willing to run Interschool -Geelong Whittlesea Dates State Champs confirmation to WPNEC 6th -10th April | |
| | | 2024 | |
| 4 | AGENDA ITEMS | | |
| 4.1 | States 2023 Follow-up | Thank you to Jamie Harding and the EV office. Event went very well Lots of changes of arenas etc due to poor weather. Event will make a profit. Received very good sponsorship. Petstock will be ongoing. Issue with recognising smaller sponsors, not getting much and not getting promotion in program Change of schedule needed-CT on middle day, 2 days jumping, 2 days dressage. Show horse and sporting horse to fit on best days. Feedback had 91 replies Good feedback in some areas. Some good judges and helpful stewards. Liked dog jump. Some of the criticisms would cost more to improve. Aim was to not increase cost over 2022 States. Poor condition of venue- issues with poor surfaces, tired facilities, cleanliness, lanes dirty etc. Weather contributed. Poor condition of grass surface dressage rings. (Weather issue) Stabling- feedback was "it is expensive and limited". It is very expensive to get in portables if not all are used. Discussion re yards being allocated to stop bulk reserving Better photographers. Some did not turn up. Need for photographer with a truck. Derek O'Leary can do this More trade stands and better food on offer | Suggested sponsorship package to go out to potential sponsors (Ev office) Photographers will be addressed at Nationals and Rider video |

| | | BBQ was not as good as prior. This was free and entry costs were not raised More entertainment. Rescue relay, sporting horse, pas de deux These were reduced due to cost of extended medical service. This would need to be considered in the future. Medical issues and horse welfare. Do the prices go up to cover this feedback and improvements? Entry cost is the same for all classes. Should dressage be more due to running expenses? Show jumping times- some wanted set times, some did not. Often there is a need for rings to run early. Flexibility needed. Late classes after the CT moved. Riders were pleased in general as they could jump in the indoor. Could make this a feature in the future with high classes Too many communication methods-emails, event website, event Facebook, Team App. Team App is great but lots of posts. Could be kept to organiser communication once event starts Better presentation area- podium, microphone Facility fees mount up when it is \$16 per day per horse. The facilities are not good. Should it be per event as some venues do? Ongoing issue with riders riding down and repeating classes (CT especially). There are no current rules able to be applied to stop this. Needs to be address at national level also. Discussion around 2 | Feedback considered in planning for 2024. Consider at National level |
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| | | jumping levels. Not possible in current state format. | when EAIC formed |
| 4.2 | Australian Championships | Office is working on AIC. Committee to be formed. Eliza is also helping. Discipline coordinators, judges, social activities, media, sponsorship. Other States have responded to change of jumping order Preferer order if longer class doesn't fit on the last day Special Two phase, One round with Jump off, One Round against the clock Special Two Phase, One Round against the clock One round with Jump off Jamie says it may not be need if two jumping rings can run | Formation National organising committee (JH) |

| | | Portable stables have been booked. Cost \$254 each provided all in the block are used. Double Dans were great in the past. Andrew McLean suggested or similar. Good horsemanship/education component Issue with running speed jumping as entertainment- May be horse welfare issues if horse is jumping in a class during the day. Risk of injury to competing horse. Do not want poor riding and falls in a speed class | Entertainment/horsemanship JW to follow up |
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| 4.3 | Victorian Team | Eventing Team finalised from Leaderboard After the VEIS finals in the weekend, a few riders in multiple classes will need to choose. Needs to be done quickly due to uniform order etc. Must confirm or decline in writing in order for reserve to be offered. Discussion about order and riders riding down and selecting lower class e.g., two dressage levels. Current policy offers riders the choice. Perhaps what is best for the team should be considered Training weekend being planned Team App set up. Captains' applications called for. | January Review of Team Selection Policy |
| 4.4 | Code of conduct behaviour | Issues with parents and riders not knowing rules and following code of conduct. Organisers handling issues need a clear process. VEIS has section in their event information. EV will support judges etc who call out poor beviour but it needs to be formally lodged with names/details. The small number of issues give interschool a poor name. Can't get judges etc. Some judges are not suited to Interschool. Many are fantastic. Organisers are making a big effort to support and assist judges and officials Some type of education program needed | Ongoing |

| | | A standard letter as a warning could be considered | |
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| 4.5 | Calendar 2024 | State Championship 2024 Saturday 6 th until Wednesday 10 th April. VEIS Series dates 2024 needed Consider running ring at Barastoc Show. Pony Club ring went well. Find out dates and cost. | Barastoc Interschool ring dates & cost (MM) |
| | | Schools etc find it hard to run events. High cost of dressage Haileybury has looked at running events. Schools worry about insurance costs and legal implications. Suggestion of schools working together possibly Tintern Horse Trials | PH to contact Tintern re Haileybury combining |
| | | VEIS Committee to come to next meeting. Need to set their dates early and communicate. Some families not really understanding VEIS | |
| | | and ISV. VEIS levels need heights as well as names Boneo calendar into 2024 unsure Hillcrest could possibly run competitions with lower classes. | Contact Hillcrest re running competition during second half of this year (JW) |
| 4.6 | Budget | There will be some income from be profit share for State Championships. | |
| | | • Fund some of the team training the money came for all riders who competed at State champs and needs to also go back to them not just 120 riders in the team. | Confirm States income and discuss next meeting |
| | | Could fund something at 2024 States such as better dinner, medical cost for night entertainment | |
| | | Trade space for Interschool at big event such as Melbourne 3DE to promote and educate. Riders new to the sport especially. | |
| 5 | GENERAL BUSINESS | | |
| 5.1 | Team | Uniform reusing of jackets discussion each year. Can be an issue with identification. Decision last year was to require new jacket | |
| | | Vic Government Sport Grant \$600 and extra \$250 for travel available | Communication to the Team re grants (MM) |
| | | Discussion about VEIS series/ State championship selection. Intent is to reward those who support interschool over time. Also, an opportunity for rider if something goes wrong at State Championships a one-off competition. | ie granes (min) |

| NAME | | AGENDA ITEM | ACTION ITEM | DATE DUE FOR COMPI |
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| | | | Committee Members | |
| Julia Williams | | | Understanding rules safety, code of conduct. EV and EA groups to look at a required basic online training for all families. | Ongoing December |
| Committee | | | Assistance to interschool riders be allowed in interests of safety. Interschool does not follow all discipline rules | Ongoing |
| Committee | 4.5 VEIS Role | June | VEIS Committee to attend next meeting. Plan for 2024 | August |
| Committee | 5.1 Team Selection Policy | June | Confirm any change around selection of classes when two levels or multiple classes qualified. | January |
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| | | | Equestrian Victoria Administration | |
| Staff/Corinne | | Equestrian Interschool Victoria Website | Corinne and EV staff member to continue editing, adding content and fixing readability and functionality | Continuous |
| EV/Staff member/ISV | | Adequate and consistent standards at events | All calendared events have adequate, consistent format and compliance requirements accessible in one place. | Ongoing |
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