



TASMANIAN EQUINE ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC

STATE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes GENERAL MEETING Tuesday 4th Nov, 2014 6:30pm

1. **Present:** Trent Huxtable, Dennis Foley Jnr., Sheleah Astell, Sonia Hodgetts, Pat L., Pat H., Kaye Mitchell. Guests: Debbie Grull, Pam Shadbolt, Robyn Wright, Greg Henry
2. **Apologies:** Denise Williams, Joanne Marshall
3. a) Waited one hour. Insufficient quorum for SGM. Matters handled by SMC.
Minutes of previous meeting: Motion: *Minutes of the previous meeting are a true and correct record.* Moved Sonia Hodgetts, Sec Dennis Foley. Carried.

4. **Business arising:**

- a) Form for recording and invoicing for fluid treatment: (Pat H) Ongoing
- b) Review of Life Membership criteria: Some discussion about this, including time serving TEERA, etc. No conclusion. Pat H noted that a lot of people have contributed who haven't necessarily been on SMC. Some clubs give a 10 year or 15 service badge. Recognition is important. Perhaps a sub-committee of 3 people to get some guidelines. Regular volunteers need to be recognised as well. Perhaps help with their membership. To be discussed further at next general meeting in December.
- c) Strategic plan: (Sonia) Discussion of new people and how we can assist them. Greg suggested new riders be encouraged to attend a ride without a horse and see how things are run. On the entry form could have a new member yes/no box. Computer could send out some basic information for those who tick yes. Sonia suggested publishing draft strategic plan in the newsletter and getting feedback from the membership.

Discussion of 40, 20 and 5km rides. Benefits of having vetting at these. Encourage ride secretaries to consider putting on short rides. Put in letter at the beginning of the year and put in the newsletter. Target Pony clubs with advertising, perhaps through facebook. Sonia to do this.

- d) Biosecurity statement for Tasmanian Endurance: Kaye has sent a letter seeking clarification from DPIPWE that if TEERA uses the EA "Horse Event Participation Declaration", is this sufficient for the purpose of covering any legal ramifications in the event of an outbreak of any contagious or transferable disease? Waiting on a response.

Debbie: Notifiable disease: If you suspect or know a horse has a notifiable disease then you have an obligation to report. There is a list. List A (exotic) and List B (endemic) on DPIPWE website. Strangles is not notifiable in Tas. Encouraging people exporting horses to get a PIC. In the event of an outbreak a letter cannot be generated giving info to these people. Debbie stressed that responsibility is with the owner.

Pat asked what is a reasonable measure that TEERA or ride committees should take pre-ride? Debbie suggested some sort of animal health statement. "I observed this horse and found it to be free of" On our entry form is it reasonable to ask "has this horse been resident in Tas for 28 days?" If not go to some sort of biosecurity statement and maintain a temp log for 7 days. Reasonable because it is also an animal welfare matter as well.

Why does the Dept have no documentary requirements for horses entering Tas.? Debbie suggested going to your MP if we want this.

Does Dept Ag know that horse can turn up an event within three days of arriving in Tassie? Dept biosecurity's plan for the future. No mention of horse disease o current biosecurity Tas of current biosecurity threats.

In the event of a suspect horse being on a ride base then vet with the CS can quarantine it to an area on the ride base.

Documentation to support our biosecurity statement. Pat and Debbie to create this document. Then talk to Kevin about getting it on entry form.

Has this horse been resident in Tas for at least 28 days?

If no please fill out biosecurity paperwork by clicking the following link.

1800 675 888 is the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline

- e) AERA has caution road signs. Nicole looking at local alternatives. Trent has sent a letter to support Jen Clingly's application to Meander Valley council for road safety signs.
- f) Paperwork re TPR and CS from Robyn. Pat has the TPR paperwork from Robyn. One scanner is still missing.
- g) Trent asked if we need to enlist help for Kevin. Kaye to talk to Kevin. Ongoing

5. Treasurer's Report:
Not submitted

6. Correspondence In/Out

IN	
22/10	Jodi Smith (email: forwarded posters sent in from Debbie Grull encouraging property owners to register their property on DPIPWE's PIC database for purpose of letting emergency services know about horses on the property in the event of an emergency such as bushfire. Include in newsletter.)
24/10	Helen Lindsay (email: TQ15 Sponsorship opportunities) Pat suggested \$1200 was a lot for a third place rug. Ignore the email.
30/10	Sue Hartog, forwarded via Trent (EOI to hold 2015 Australian Endurance Championships)
31/10	Active Australia (email requesting that we confirm our listing on ActiveActivities) Ignore. No apparent benefits to this.
2/11	Megan Jensen (email NEEEC positions for 2015)
	Portland Endurance riders (paperwork from Johnny Green Memorial ride) Pass to Pam Shadbolt.
	Tara Nicklason, Portland Endurance Riders(letter suggesting interest received from the TEERA term investment be used to provide financial support to each club) \$3581.35 For this year the interest was used to support the juniors going to Q'land. Simple summary from the treasurer to go in the newsletter would make finances more transparent. There will be another letter go out next year inviting clubs to put in requests for support.
4/10	CS reports from Johnny Green Memorial Ride and STER Fonthill. Comment on the gallop finish at the Johnny Green.
OUT	
14/10	Tony Matthews(letter indicating that future poor behaviour of their horses in the vet ring may result in disqualification)
3/10	Jodi Smith (email: minutes from the Sept meeting, reminder to members about horse behaviour in the vet ring for publishing in the newsletter.)
3/10	Denise Williams (email: missing the CS report from the Kentish ride)

7. Reports

- a) Membership: total 259. Associated members=5, Non-riding= Life =5 Juniors =44
- b) AERA report: Trent to write this. Include membership numbers, winter break well received, success of our junior team at the Q'land State Champs, Tas contingent at TQ14, Anne Barnes running vet accreditation course after our State Champs, working with DPI in biosecurity, calendar well on its way and potential interest in FEI ride next year.
- c) Rule/items for newsletter: Suggestion that juniors wear their helmets in the vet ring.

8. General Business:

- a) Missing CS report from Kentish. Kaye has contacted Denise who is looking in to it.
- b) Can we replace Michael Riley's fluids with TEERA fluids to help keep TEERA's up to date? Pat H will check expiry dates on TEERA fluids and speak to Michael and/or Jim.
- c) Pat L. asked if she can get a new stopwatch if she records the number. She lent her stopwatch to someone at Pyengana and didn't get it back. Yes.
- d) Add a suggestion that juniors wear their helmets in the vet ring. Send to Jodi to put in newsletter.
- e) Gallop finishes on bitumen. Need to consider bottlenecks and crowded areas where it is inappropriate. Ride committees to decide.
- f) Motion: *TEERA provide fuel costs for vets to attend the accreditation course at state Champs.* Moved Pat, Sec, Kaye. Carried.
- g) Pat L to be an Assistant CS at the NSW Quilty. Pat L nominated as Tas rep.
- h) Discussion of the fact that the winner of the Quilty need not present for BC the following day nor needs to be sound. Should there be a change in the rules regarding this. Insufficient support for the idea. Debbie noted that horses would be more likely to be walked through the night instead of being allowed to rest if soundness at BC was a requirement to win the Quilty.
- i) Expressions of interest for 2018 Quilty to go in the newsletter.
- j) Ian Sward's horse's bad behaviour in the vet ring at Pyengana. Reared and struck out. Been warned in the past. Kaye to send a letter. Final warning. If it does this again he will be banned for life in order to ensure the safety of officials and volunteers.
- k) Motion: *TEERA reimburse Pam Shadbolt for expenses incurred* Moved Pat H, Dennis Foley Jr. Carried.
- l) Few people have approached Pam volunteering to do log books. Leave as is for the time being as things are working well.
- m) Find out new cost of log books to us. Ask Nicole.
- n) Instant Marquees. Cost will be same as 2 years ago. Roast is \$25 per head. Choice meats, salads and desserts. Booked for 10th Jan.
- o) Sandy Little's positive comments on Tassie endurance.
- p) Greg Henry raised safety on the bridge at the Kimberley ride. Signage was in place either side of the bridge at the last ride. The bike race complicated things this year. Pat H described an alternative route where the river could be forded on her brother's property.

9. **Date of next meeting:** 8th December. Sonia to look into a venue in Ulverstone where a meal was available.
10. **Meeting closure:** 10:15pm