

CONFERENCE DAY 1

EQUESTRIAN BREEDS' DELEGATE MEETING

CHANCELLOR 1

Saturday 19 June 2021

Present: Heather Brake (Rotorua A&P), Debbie Cameron (RAS CEO), Diane Chesmar (RAS Central District), Wendy Collin (Eastern Chair), Simon Collin (Hawkes Bay A&P), Sharon Cook (Northern Chair), Leanne Cooke (Northern District), Louellen Davies (Mid Northern District), Mary Davis (Western District), Julie DeFilippi (NZ Standardbred), Christine Fowles (Marlborough A&P), Katrina Gosney (NZ Standardbred), Stephanie Gowing (Whangarei A&P), Rob Hall (Gore A&P), Sophie Hansen (Masterton A&P), Fe Howie (Upper Clutha A&P, Life Member), Melissa Jebson, RAS Executive/Malvern A&P), Jackie Kelly (Southern District, Life Member), Trevor Latimer (Western District), Michelle Mair (Pony Breeders Society, Taranaki All Breeds Show), Stephani Mann (Incoming Measuring Convenor), Emmy Maxwell (NZ Gypsy Cob / Cheviot A&P), Helena McLeod (Egmont A&P/HSCE Chair), Bruce McRobbie (Mid Northern District, Morrinsville A&P), Maxine Mulligan (Clean Sport Convenor), Cara O'Connor (RAS Executive), Julie Pascoe (NZ Pinto), Christine Robert (RAS Administrator, Oxford A&P), Kristine Russell (Southern District), Sam Rutherford (Central District Chair/Marlborough A&P), Philippa Sanders, Anne Scott (Auckland A&P), Geoff Smith (RAS President, Life Member), Mike Smith (Southland A&P, Life Member), Brent Snellix (RAS Vice President), Leigh Taylor (Te Kauwhata A&P, NZ Side Saddle), Lyn Tetenburg (Rotorua A&P), Diana Timms (Horowhenua AP&I), Jill Timms (Horowhenua AP&I), Ian Tippett (Southern District), Rachel Walker (RAS Executive), Anne Watts (Clevedon A&P), Alan Windle (NZ Riding Pony), Philip Worthington (Lowline Cattle).

Welcome from RAS Executive:

Cara O'Connor

1. Chairperson:

Helena McLeod

2. Secretary for the Meeting:

Debbie Cameron

3. Apologies – none.

4. Minutes

Minutes of the Equestrian Breed Meeting held on 21 June 2019 – Gazette 218 (2019) pages 14 – 16.

Moved: The minutes of the 21 June 2019 were approved as a true and accurate record.

A Windle/L Taylor.

CARRIED

5. Matters arising from those minutes - none.

6. Notice of any Item to be discussed under General Business, not on this Agenda – none noted at the time.

7. Reports

Breed Society delegates have all been asked for a one-page written report to be tabled with the agendas – see pages 21-24.

- Clydesdale Horse Society -
- Connemara Pony Society of NZ Incorporated -
- Donkey & Mule Society of NZ - not currently a financial member.
- Morgan Horse Association of NZ -

- National Miniature Horse Society of NZ
- NZ Arab Horse Breeders Society -
- NZ Golden Horse Society – received.
- NZ Gypsy Cob Association – received.
- NZ Hackney Society -
- NZ Miniature Horse Society -
- New Zealand Pinto Horse Society Incorporated –
- NZ Shetland Pony Breeders -
- NZ Standardbred Breeder's Association - received
- Welsh Pony & Cob Society

Moved: All reports be received.

S Gowing/M Mair.

CARRIED

Noted by the Chair out of the 16 Breed/Kindred Societies only 5 reports were received.

8. Correspondence

Hi Debbie

Yes we would like to increase our inhand classes, by 2 extra classes, and where possible and if time and grounds are available to have a ridden section. This has been requested by our members.

We feel it is time that all horses and ponies competing in the New Zealand Golden Horse section are registered with the Society.

Our AGM is the 23rd of May. Do I then send a copy of our minutes and our proposal to be tabled at your AGM?

These are the classes we would like to propose (see under item 10)
Thank you Wendy

9. Other Breed/Kindred related business – none raised.

10. Royal Show & Standard Schedule of Classes

As part of the Strategic Business Review all schedules will be reviewed

Golden Horse In Hand

All Exhibits must be registered with the New Zealand Golden Horse Society and show the registration number on Entry form. Unless stated all colours combined. No False tails allowed in any class.

1. Best Presented Horse & handler.
2. Best mane & tail. exhibits to be unplaited.
3. Best coloured Palomino & cremello
4. Best coloured Buckskin & Broken coloured
5. Best Foal or yearling. Any sex.
6. Best 2 year old. Any sex.
7. Best 3 year old. Any sex

Champion & Reserve Champion Youngstock Golden Horse or Pony

(To be judged from the winners of classes 5,6 and 7. Second place getters to standby).

8. Best Palomino 4 years & over

9. Best Buckskin 4 years & over
10. Best Cremello & broken coloured 4 years and over

Champion & Reserve Champion Adult Golden Horse or Pony

(To be judged from the winners of classes.8,9,10 Second place getters to standby).

Supreme Champion Golden Horse

To be judged from Champion Youngstock and Champion Adult

Golden Horse Ridden

Pony & Hack classes will be combined if not enough entries in either section.

11. Best Presented Horse & Rider- Hacks & Ponies combined
12. Novice 0-5 wins Pony
13. Novice 0-5 wins Hack
14. Open Pony
15. Open Hack

Champion & Reserve Champion Ridden Golden Horse or Pony

(To be judged from the winners of classes.,12.13,14 &15, Second place getters to standby)

16. Paced & mannered- Hack
17. Paced & mannered Pony
18. Best Rider – 17 years and under
19. Best rider – 18 years and over

Moved: Due to the review underway at present and no Royal Show this year it will be up to the individual A&P Shows as to whether they can incorporate this in their schedule. To be tabled for the Royal Show/Event Working Group.

W Collin/D Chesmar.

CARRIED

A Windle noted on behalf of the NZ Riding Pony Society that it was very sad that there was no Royal Show. It is the pinnacle show for the Society and historic trophies are allocated to it.

S Collin, as President of the Hawkes Bay A&P Society(Royal Show host) advised the meeting due to the constraints and uncertainty that still surrounds COVID, the Hawkes Bay A&P Executive felt they could not commit to a Royal Show.

It was noted Royal Events were being encouraged for the coming Show Season – already approved were Hawarden, Sheep; Central Otago, Home Industries and Stratford, Dairy.

11. General Business

D Chesmar raised this on behalf of NZ Standardbred, NZ Pinto and NZ Gypsy Cob with the support of some other height related breeds - a modified height certificate/performance card which could include breed wins.

Background - originally at the Central District AGM the matter had been raised with the request to be able to utilise stickers on the current RAS card. The RAS CEO advised this needed to be thought through carefully and all aspects including any possible, unexpected consequences needed to be considered. The Central District AGM agreed to set up a working party and liaise with RAS Head Office and work through this (Note to these minutes this unfortunately did not happen and so RAS Head Office have had no input into this modified height certificate).

The matter of breeds being added to the RAS certificate has been on the table before and the members at that time decided a separate performance card should be provided by the breeds and it was suggested they be colour coded for easy recognition. NZ Standardbred adopted this and introduced a separate performance card a few years ago. However, there has been problems with wins still being recorded on the RAS card, or judges claiming they had no knowledge of the Breed card and insisting on the wins being recorded on the RAS card, hence the request for a modified card.

General discussion ensued – some felt with the working groups and reviews underway it should wait for that process however, it was acknowledged that this could take some time. While a digital platform would fix many of these issues, action was required now. It was suggested this was perhaps more about educating the judges and stewards and even with a modified card there would continue to be errors and wins going in the wrong places. The view of the Breeds Societies involved is that they pay affiliation fees and as part of that affiliation fee they should have full access to the RAS Intellectual Property, i.e., the RAS Height Certificate/Performance Card. Resolved for this to have further discussion at the main equestrian meeting.

12. Election of Chair (forms part of the United Breed Society Executive Council).

- One nomination received for Mrs. Diane Chesmar
Nominated by: NZ Standardbred Association & NZ Pinto Society.
This is carried through to the AGM agenda, pages 47-48.

D Chesmar introduced herself – residing in the Central District and holds the position of Equestrian Chair. Shows harness horses, Immediate Past President of the Welsh Society, and an equestrian judge with a passion for volunteering. Looking to pull all the breeds together to present a united voice.

Meeting closed at 2.40pm.