



General Meeting

14<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Meeting Opened 7.09pm

**Present:** Ross Newman (Chair), Carol Conway (Secretary), Joyce Newnham (Treasurer),

Liz Thomas ( Assist Secretary) & Tanika Hutchinson.

**Discipline Reps**

Dressage: Liz Thomas

Showhorse: Tanika Hutchinson

Showjumping: Ross Newman

**Apologies:**

Anne-Maree Mitchell

Minutes read by all, Liz Thomas moved the minutes be accepted. Seconded by Tanika Hutchinson. All in favour.

**Business Arising:**

Liz Thomas had a discussion with Nid Meriwether regarding the Clinics and Liz advised committee, Nid would prefer to teach her established clients as she has only a few years left in coaching,) it was decided that regular clinic riders will get 1<sup>st</sup> priority for lessons, other riders will go on a wait list. Nid is prepared to increase the lesson times to nine per day.

\*Dave Conway has cleaned out gutters. (Thank you, Dave.)

\*Ross has ordered yards, 3 on Dayana Drive and 6 (possibly) on BMX fence line and rang for delivery date.

\*Carol has spoken to Graham Still regarding the MPIO position and he is happy to have someone else do the course. Graham would like to continue to be Clubs MPIO. Committee to put forward some names for consideration.

**Correspondence In & Out:**

Emails from:

Liz Thomas – Resignation from the Grounds Committee.

Incorporation Association Renewal forms.

Marieke Jansen – Summary of Incident at grounds.

Healthy Sports Grants

CGG Requirements for Leasing parts of Grounds.

CGG Grants Information Night – 29 June – 5.30pm – 7pm.

Quote for new yards.

Midwest Dressage Association – 2022 Calendar.

CGG - Information on Leasing Grounds.

Application for Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries - Covid Cleaning Grant

Application for Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries – Active Regional Communities Initiative Grant.

**Correspondence Out:**

Emails To:

Marieke Jansen – for summary of Incident at grounds.

CGG Winter Seasons Fees.

Incorporation Association Renewal

Invite to Richard Blake to join Grounds Committee.

Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries - Covid Cleaning Grant -\$500.

Application for Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries – Active Regional Communities Initiative Grant - \$5000.00.

**Treasurers Report:**

Joyce presented Treasures Report. See attached.

Joyce moved the report be accepted with all relevant accounts be passed for payment and new Memberships approved. Seconded by Liz Thomas. All in Favour.

**Discipline Reports:**

**Dressage:**

Committee is still having trouble securing Judges, with one Judge from South Australia at this stage for Championships. Committee will keep trying.

Sponsors proving difficult to secure.

Liz welcomes Jennine Smith and Indi Smith onto the Committee to help with the Dressage Classic in August.

Marieke has secured a Judge to share with Showhorse in July. Liz asked Carol to accommodate Judge.

**Showhorse:**

Breed show / Showhorse has good Sponsors and Tanika presented Budget for approval. Ross moved the budget be approved. Seconded by Joyce. All in favour.

**Showjumping:**

May has been a busy month for Jumping with 2 jumping weekends, Kellie Ann Crowe clinics, all well attended.

OTT opened up the Sunday to every Breed of Horse and this proved to be popular with all riders with groundwork, flatwork and Jumping tuition.

Jumping Committee is busy with the preparations for July Show.

**General Business:**

\*Joyce and Ross have met with the City of Greater Geraldton to discuss the GCEC leasing parts of Woorree Park. CGG require a formal request to lease and minutes of a committee meeting where the application to lease was discussed.

Points of discussions were:

- Area of lease to include the grassed competition arena, dressage competition arena, yellow sand warm up arena, cracker dust arena, yards, GCEC club house and storage sheds.
- GCEC would be required to pay for a Land Gate surveyor to surveyor exact area, cost approx. \$800 to \$1200. There would also be an admin fee of \$210 to be paid to CGG.
- Insurance required would be \$20 million Public Liability, (already in place)
- There will an annual fee to be paid to the CGG for lease of the grounds, \$450 or \$480. (Ross and Joyce wrote down different amounts)
- Lease to be for 21 years
- Having a lease would provide GCEC access to apply for grants.
- GCEC would still be able to have use of the bore.

The committee all agreed that this was a great result for something that we had been trying to put in place for a long time.

Joyce moved a motion for GCEC to proceed with the request to CGG for the Leasing of the grounds. Seconded by Carol. All in favour.

\*Joyce has also applied for a number of grants:

- Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries Covid Cleaning Grant - \$500
- Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries \$5000 for July Show and Dressage Championship. (Judges Flights, provision of portable toilets, generators, skip bins etc). Thank you, Joyce, for doing that at such a busy time.

\*Ross has met with CRT Rep at the grounds and discussed the irrigation of the grass arena's, overhead sprinklers will not cover the grounds and it was suggested that underground watering system would be more suitable- the grounds will be least disturbed and can be ridden on the next day, the quote may take up to 3 weeks to be done. Ross to bring back to Committee when received.

\*Liz asked if Dressage grassed arena could be done also.

\*Ross has completed the shade gazebo with alsunite roof and sides, it will be set down north of the main arena between the gate and seating area, Richard Blake, and Ross to do.

\*Liz put forward Lora Halton's name for Life Membership, Lora has been with the club for over 15 years and though not on a committee has volunteered her help over all 3 disciplines and has also put her hand up to be an unofficial Judge at Dressage and Showhorse plus helping in the Office on July Show Championships. Our GCEC By-Laws for Life Membership states the person nominated must have served on the Executive Committee. Lora is a worthy nominee for Life Membership, so it was suggested the By-Laws be looked at to include special Recipients. Committee to put forward possible wording for the change.

\*Liz asked about sending out the Constitution to members, in previous minutes only the By-Laws would be sent out.

\*Liz asked if the Newsletters could include all 3 disciplines, Carol is happy to do this as she does the Presidents Report and Showjumping newsletter and will let Liz and Tanika know when to send information to be included.

\*Carol has received the options for the Club Thank you Cards, options 2 was selected. All in favour.

\*Tanika asked if the Showhorse could borrow the dressage surrounding for coming Deb Spencer Clinic. All in favour.

\*As the next meeting is scheduled straight after the 3 day July Classic, the Showjumping Rep asked if this could be deferred to the following Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>. All in favour.

\* Carol has information on a new business "Oak Bush Creations" it does logos, photos on stubby holders, magnets, drink bottles, enamel mugs etc, it is a local new business and is very competitive with pricing and could be an option to look at for fundraising in the club. Carol to get some prices.

Meeting Closed

8.44pm

Ross Newman (Chairman)

