

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24TH 2006
WEST DUBBO BOWLING CLUB, DUBBO NSW**

President C Dengate addressed the meeting and welcomed those present.

Meeting opened 10.10am

PRESENT – C Burton, M Carey, H Currie, D Egan, S Egan, S Graham, J Hall, L Hall, C Dengate, S McPhee, K Mills, A Newton, B Parker, N Parker, J Robinson, S Robinson, E Lowe, J Lowe, L Lowe, L Slee, D Sullings, G Thornton, L Wear

APOLOGIES – Jon Fletcher, A Lord, P Weigerink, S Carlson, T Warnekan, J Hudson, K Lonski, D Kennett, M Hogan, D Gant, S Gant, S Newton, M Potter, L Potter, K Lily, T Parker, C Williams, R Williams.

Time Keeper appointed – L Slee
Counters Appointed – L Wear & H Currie

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AGM 02.10.05

Moved B Parker Seconded J Hall– the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Paint Horse Association held 02.10.05 be accepted as true and correct. All in favour. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

PRESIDENTS REPORT

C Dengate read the Presidents Report.

Moved N Parker Seconded C Burton– to receive and accept the President’s Report. All in favour. Carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Those in attendance read through the statements. L Hall gave explanation of related accounts & jobs.

Moved N Parker Seconded D Sullings – To receive, consider and accept the Financial Statements as tabled. All in favour. Carried.

AUDITORS REPORT

L Hall read report

Moved G Thornton Seconded B Parker - To accept the Auditors Report as tabled. All in favour. Carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Motion 1: That no spouses/partners or immediate family member may hold positions on the PHAA Board of Directors at the same time. Neither may a spouse/partner or immediate family of a PHAA Director hold a paid office position, nor may a spouse/partner or immediate family member of a staff member hold a position on the PHAA Board of Directors.

Moved: Alison Lord

Seconded: Linda Slee

C Dengate advised that the Association had received legal advice on Motion 1. Further C Dengate advised that an amendment to the motion had been received by email and legal advice had been received on the amendment. Legal advice from the Associations solicitor. (Contravenes Anti-discrimination laws)

Chair ruled the Motion out of order due to it’s illegality.

Those present were invited to ask questions on this Motion, none arising.

Motion 2: That all PHAA Board Members be paid a set sum of money towards their travel expenses to attend Board Meetings. This sum is to be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors and be paid to each Director at the conclusion of each meeting attended.

Moved: Alison Lord

Seconded: Linda Slee

The seconder of the motion L Slee spoke on the motion, noting that the Association already has in place a procedure that is satisfactory.

The Chair called for a vote to withdraw the motion. All in favour. Motion withdrawn.

NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

C Dengate advised that the following vacant positions had been filled unopposed – Queensland / NT – A Newton

New South Wales – J Hall
Open – D Kennett
New South Wales – Craig Dengate

All have been elected unopposed and therefore will need to stand down at the next Annual General Meeting

There are presently 3 vacancies to be filled. Place of residence will not be taken into account when filling these vacancies. All Directors appointed from the floor will be required to stand down at the next Annual General Meeting.

C Dengate called for nominations from the floor –

Qld / NT – one vacancy
C Dengate nominated L Wear, seconded K Mills.
No further nominations.
L Wear accepted nomination, duly elected

Vic / Tas / SA / WA – two vacancies
C Dengate nominated S McPhee, seconded C Burton
No further nominations
S McPhee accepted nomination, duly elected

One position for Vic / Tas / SA / WA remains unfilled.

C Dengate welcomed new directors and invited them to the front of the room.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

L Hall nominated Ferrari Gardner Pty Ltd of Dubbo. Seconded K Mills. No other nominations. All in favour. Carried

PRESENTATION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

C Dengate presented C Burton with her honorary life membership
C Burton responded and addressed the meeting.

C Dengate presented N Parker with her honorary life membership
N Parker responded and addressed the meeting.

Meeting adjourned briefly for morning tea
V Egan joined meeting.

PRESENTATION OF 2005-6 HIGH POINT AWARDS

C Dengate & L Hall presented the High Point & Runner-up awards.
C Dengate noted how pleasing it was to have some of the winners present to collect their awards.

Meeting adjourned for 12pm for lunch.

C Dengate officially closed Annual General Meeting 12.30pm and called for a General Workshop.

WORKSHOP

Attendance – T Thornton, G Thornton, S Egan, D Egan, M Carey, C Burton, D Sullings, J Robinson, S Robinson, B Parker, N Parker, E Lowe, J Lowe, L Lowe, S McPhee, J Hall, L Hall, C Dengate, L Slee, K Mills, L Wear.

B Parker made some suggestions regarding beginner / newcomer riders, including walk / trot, at shows and the need to recognise these people through our point system.

L Hall noted that we do have Ride Australia that these people would be able to record their hours. Maybe a separate Honour Roll type of system?

L Wear & A Newton discussed the possibility of a beginner category.

General discussion on the subject and the eligibility.

S McPhee noted that we would need to have criteria / qualification and this could be difficult.

C Dengate noted that it is in the PHAA's interest to reward these members as well.

C Burton asked for an update on our website.

C Dengate noted that S McPhee, now on the Board, will be able to provide some expertise.

S McPhee spoke on the website, asked for suggestions as to what the members present expect of the website and noted that we need a better line of communication.

Some suggestions were – online payment facility (L Hall noted that B Pay is not an option at the moment but credit card is), online studbook, online shop, news & notices, “ask us”, FAQ page, weekly office update, monthly newsletter.

M Carey noted that the communication to members via the website is not as up to date as it was 3 years ago.

S McPhee noted that PHAA needs to decide what our principle means of communication should be – website / PHJ?

G Thornton discussed use of websites by people new to Paints, looking for horses and items to buy. We need to make better use of links.

H Currie asked if something could be done about educating our National Show competitors on ring etiquette.

B Parker spoke on the same issue, particularly our Futurities.

N Parker noted that our gate / gear marshals need to use a bit gauge and ensure they are up to date on their show rules.

D Egan mentioned he has been a gate marshal for Appaloosa Nationals and that another person, who knows their rules and is respected, should be responsible for gear checks – Show Manager for example.

General discussion on Sydney Royal dropping some breeds from the 2007 show – which includes Paints, QH & Appaloosa classes. L Wear will be corresponding with RASNSW on the subject.

General discussion on National Show workers

C Burton asked if there will be a Paint-o-rama prior to the 2007 National Show. C Dengate advised no, but competitors at the 2007 show will be asked to let PHAA know what they would like.

L Wear discussed the idea of an Amateur Owner World Tour for 2007 or later.

Meeting closed 1.40pm