



# AUSTRALIAN CARRIAGE DRIVING SOCIETY INC

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### ACDS NSW Branch Special General Meeting Minutes (Zoom)

#### Opening:

Meeting opened at 7.30pm, Wednesday 23/9/2020 (Via Zoom Meeting) Welcome by Peter Dunn.

#### Attendees:

Peter Dunn (President) John Tonkiss (Secretary) Dot Willcoxson (Vice Pres) Graeme Dowling (Vice Pres)  
Nikki Flynn (Treasurer / Membership) Sue Plath (Dressage Convener)

#### Club's Delegates in Attendance:

Border (BO), Bungendore (BU), Camden (CA), Ellmore (EL), Hills (HI), Hill Tops (HT),  
Liverpool Range (LR), Murrumbidgee (MU), North Coast (NC), Reedy Creek (RC),  
Riverina (RI), Southern Highlands (SH), Tamworth (TA), Temora (TE)

#### Clubs Delegates not attending:

Gulgong (GU), Hunter (HU),

#### Opening Discussion in reference to this meeting:

President Peter Dunn outlined the reason behind having to organise and run this Special meeting before the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2020 due to Department of Fair-Trading requirements in relation to Electronic Meetings. The ACDS NSW Rules and By Laws are required to be amended and approved by the delegates tonight, It was noted that there will be no Amendment to the ACDS NSW Branch Constitution, as this can only be undertaken at the AGM.

Motion; The ACDS NSW Branch be able to Organise and Run Electronic / Digital Meetings as required and necessary to maintain the General Business and Organisation of Carriage Driving activities within New South Wales.

Moved by Peter Dunn

Seconded by John Tonkiss.....

....CARRIED.

#### Secretary Report; by John Tonkiss

The ACDS NSW Branch Constitution is currently being reviewed and Amended to suit current Model Constitution updates as recommended by the Department of Fair Trading, on completion of this upgrade a copy of the Amended Constitution will be forwarded to all NSW Club's Secretaries for review and comments by all members.

A time frame will be given for all comments and reviews to be returned to the Secretary.

#### Treasurer / Membership Report; by Nikki Flynn

Goulburn Club and Central Coast Club have folded, the members have joined other clubs within the area. State Membership is currently down on last year and all Fees must be paid prior to 30<sup>th</sup> September to be eligible to have the State Component refunded.

Treasurers Report has been prepared and will be forwarded to all Club Secretaries and Delegates.





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### CDE Panel Report; by Tracey Ellis

CDE Rules changes are currently before the Federal Executive and is expected to be implemented within this current year 2020.

Calendar for driving event's planned for next year is progressing and there are some events that are close together and this may affect the numbers of Competitors, CDE Convener as the Calendar Co-ordinator will discuss this issue with all clubs who are planning events during this period.

All Driving events that are planned to held, the date must be firstly issued to the Calendar Co-ordinator for approval, and confirmation that the date has no other Events Planned that may clash.

### Dressage Panel Report; by Sue Plath

At the end of July 2020 , the NSW Dressage Panel undertook Re-accreditation of 5 current Dressage Judges and 2 Candidates.

Federal ACDS Dressage Panel was advised that we now have 1 new Novice Dressage Judges and 1 new Advanced Dressage Judge.

Sue also requested that any club that is planning to Run a CDE/Dressage Event, that they contact the Dressage Panel as they may be able to run the event as a Qualifier and assist in being able to allow New or Prospective Dressage Judges to be able to Judge.

### Show Driving Report; by Carolyn Blakeley

Border Club to meet this coming weekend to decide if their Show Driving Championships to be held or Postponed, State Executive to be advised.

Shows due to COVID have been cancelled and the future shows at this stage are unknown.

### PE&H Report; by Peter Honeyman

Endurance Event at Marrar is still being planned and proceeding at this stage.

Some clubs are still holding COVID Safe drives, but the amount is lower than in the past.

PE&H Panel members are being bolstered and it expected to be at the required number of 5 shortly.

### General Business;

- NSW ACDS State Executive discussed the plan to run an event at Easter at Boorowa , this event will be a FUN EVENT and not a major competition, it is planned to hold , Endurance , Pleasure Drives, Picnic Drives , Obstacle Competition, and other events may be a Show if the Royal is Cancelled??. It is envisaged that People can attend earlier and leave after Easter, The Executive also is planning for the cost to be underwritten by the State subject to budget being prepared and issued to the State, and we expect it will be a NO ENTRY FEE event. The Event will be organised by the Ellmore Club with assistance from PE&H Panel and the State Executive  
More details as they become available. (Subject to COVID regulations at the time)
- Federal Annual General Meeting to be held Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2020, the Federal Secretary has issued Letters to all members with Postal voting Forms and Notice, all members to be Financial as at 30/9/2020.
- President Peter Dunn discussed and moved that all Championships that were planned to be run this year and has been postponed due to COVID that these Events be rolled over next year to these Clubs.

Moved by Peter Dunn

PASSED

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- Flexible Dates for the Calendar was discussed again and the Calendar Co-ordinator stated that she will be in contact with those clubs affected and try to obtain a suitable outcome.
- General Discussion was opened up to ALL Club Delegates, and each club discussed what their club has been up to and any issues they have.
- Return of Fees and Signed Membership form was discussed and it was confirmed that until a Signed Membership form and Fees are returned to the Club Secretary, then the Member is NOT COVERED, NOR INSURED, and is not an ACDS Member.
- Motion; That the Minutes from every Federal council Meeting be distributed to the ACDS NSW Branch Secretary within 14 days of the conclusion of the Federal Council Meetings  
Moved; Heidi Naylor                      Seconded Carolyn Blakely                      PASSED

Meeting closed at: 9.00pm

John Tonkiss

Peter Dunn

