

Eurobodalla Dressage Club

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on 9th September 2014 Adelaide Hotel, Moruya



Meeting opened at 6.20pm

Attendance: Sue Berry, Megan Gandy, Irene Adams, Fran Sanders, Gerri Richards, Helen Rand,
Apologies: Ann Behringer, Genevieve Schofield, Kath Buchanan, Hetty Munda, Michelle Hankins

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2014

2013-2014 has been another successful year for Eurobodalla Dressage Club, thanks to the small but dedicated band of volunteers who keep things running. My thanks to Irene and Jeff for all the organisation and provision of arenas and the setting up and clearing away on our competition days, to Sue for doing the draw for each competition, to Hetty for all the hard work involved in being Secretary (and for helping with the draw) and to all our committee members for their attendance at our meetings and valuable input to the running of the club.

Thanks also to Ray Anne for her wonderful catering for our competition days, and a most enjoyable Christmas party.

Our 2013 Championships were very successful and again we thank Eurobodalla Toyota for their valued ongoing sponsorship of this event. We were unlucky with the weather this year, and had to cancel two competition days (April and August) due to rain and waterlogged grounds. Fortunately we had made provision for this, and had reserved dates for an extra competition and a Protocol day. The protocol day was held in July, and was very successful. Many thanks to our judges, Hetty Munda and Maggie Brennan. Both noticed a big improvement between the first and second tests of most riders, proving the worth of a Protocol day . and the valuable feedback the judges provided to the riders.

Our extra competition will be held toward the end of September, weather permitting of course!

We are becoming more confident with the changes in the EA membership structure and its impact on our competition days. For small clubs such as ours, being able to offer Closed competitions makes it easier to run an event if we are unable to secure higher level judges .

The negotiations to develop a sand area on the Moruya Showground, which we could use as a Dressage arena on our competition days, have continued, and I am pleased to report that we have had a positive response from the Showground Committee and other interested parties. We are now waiting for Official approval from Council.

We have also approached Council about improvements to the edge of the roadway around the grounds we use for our Arenas. After rain, the area becomes waterlogged and is very slow to drain. We believe better drainage is required, under the roadway.

The Club now has a new Website, thanks to Genevieve Schofield, who assisted the Web designer to create such a user friendly site. Genevieve has also been busy sourcing Club t-shirts and caps, and you will certainly see members wearing them proudly at our own competition days and at other equestrian events.

Our hard working secretary, Hetty Munda, has been working with riders from the Bega Dressage club to encourage more people to try Freestyle to music. It would be great to see more riders entering the Freestyle event at our November Championship day.

Members who have done well at other competitions this year are Jeff Adams, riding Weejazzper , who placed first in Nowra in Medium and Ann Behringer riding Rosehill Rhythm in the NSW State Championships who came 10th in Novice and placed mid field in Elementary. No mean feat against a very strong field!

Junior member, Isabella Wall, competed for St Peter's Anglican College at the Interschool's event in Camden, and won her riding class and Champion rider, Intermediate level.

I look forward to another year of continued growth, happy and improving horses and riders and the fun and fellowship that being part of EDA provides.

Thank you all for the support you have given me in my role as President this year.

1. Treasurers Annual Report – tabled – see attachment.

Balance as at 30 June 2014 - \$8,836.99

Irene moved the report be accepted.

Seconded: Megan Gandy

Carried: All

<p>2.</p>	<p>Election of Officers</p> <p>All Office Bearers stood down and Vicki Evans presided over the election of Office Bearers. The following were elected:</p> <p>President: Fran Sanders (nominated by Megan Gandy, seconded by Gerri Richard) unopposed Vice President: Megan Gandy (nominated by Irene Adams, seconded by Gerri Richard) unopposed Secretary: Hetty Munda (nominated Fran Sanders, seconded by Fran Sanders) unopposed Treasurer: Irene Adams Elected unopposed Publicity Officer: Genevieve Schofield (nominated by Irene Adams, seconded by Gerri Richard) Judges Co-ordinator: Fran Sanders Elected unopposed Website: Genevieve Schofield (nominated by Sue Berry, seconded Gerri Richard) unopposed Draw: Sue Berry and Gerri Richard (nominated Fran Sanders, seconded Helen Rand) unopposed Event Co-ordinator: Irene Adams & Megan Gandy (nominated by Fran Sanders, seconded by Sue Berry) unopposed Point score: Megan Gandy Elected unopposed Scorers: Corinne Olive & Tricia Afflick Elected unopposed Working C'tee Ann Behringer, Jeff Adams, Michelle Hankins, Helen Rand, Vicki Evans</p> <p>Moved that the above elections be accepted: Vicki Evans Seconded: Sue Berry Carried: All</p>		
	<p>The Annual General Meeting of 9th September 2014 was closed at 6.50 pm following the election of Officers and the normal monthly meeting was held. Re-elected President Fran Sanders took the Chair.</p>		
		<p>ACTION</p>	<p>BY</p>
<p>1.</p>	<p>Minutes from the previous meeting of 14th August were tabled:</p> <p>Irene Adams moved that the Minutes be accepted. Seconded: Sue Berry. Carried: All</p>		

2.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Report tabled and available from Secretary – balance as at 31 August \$7,273.95</p> <p>Moved that Treasurers Report be accepted: Irene Adams</p> <p>Seconded: Helen Rand</p> <p>Carried: All</p>		
3.	<p>Matters arising from Minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting approval from Shire Council re sand arena. – hold over til next year • It was decided that we would hold a pre Christmas Party meeting to enable a debrief of our championship day. – hold over to October meeting • Hetty still trying to contact Mr Terry Snow regarding the visit to the Stud Farm at Milton. - pending • Club caps – Genevieve has purchased one to show at our next comp ... anyone interested to purchase one of the club caps, please contact Genevieve. Cost is \$20 each. 	<p>Discuss next meeting</p> <p>Discuss next meeting</p> <p>Follow up</p>	<p>Jeff</p> <p>C'tee</p> <p>Hetty</p>
4.	<p>Correspondence In:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council letter from Lindsay Brown re how could Council assist community groups such as ours. Next meeting draft a letter with our issues and comments and forward to Lindsay and invite him to attend a meeting. • Certificate of Affiliation with Equestrian NSW • Community infrastructure guidelines booklet for tabling - if anyone interested can borrow from Irene • Email from Michelle Hankins from Eurobodalla Toyota offering \$500 towards rugs for championships. • 	<p>To be discussed next meeting</p>	<p>C'tee</p>

5.	<p>Correspondence Out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official results of June competition sent to EA <p>Moved that all Correspondence be accepted: Megan Gandy</p> <p>Seconded: Helen Rand</p> <p>Carried: All</p>		
6.	<p>General Business</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No caterer for next event – Irene will get catering only for judges and workers. Tea and coffee will be available – gold coin donation – chocolates will be available for purchase 2. Emma Lipscombe would like to donate a rug for junior point score prize at the end of the year – (point score) - committee happy for this to be followed up. 3. Suggested that meetings be held at the Waterfront Hotel as they have more a private room available – dinner option at the same time is then a possibility. 4. General discussion held about the cost of judges. Concerns that some are taking advantage of the club’s generous payments to come to our events however the committee also acknowledged that as it is very difficult to get judges to travel to our area, we will monitor this and re-visit again at future meetings. 		
	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Our next General Meeting will be the held on Tuesday, 14th October 2014 at 6.00 pm at the Waterfront Hotel, Moruya. Dinner meeting!! Meeting closed at 7.25 pm</p>		