

## STATE COUNCIL MEETING

### THE PONY CLUB ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Meeting of the '**Elected Council**' of the Pony Club Association of New South Wales Incorporated will be held at the Campbelltown Catholic Club, 20-22 Camden Road, Campbelltown (Phillip Room) on Tuesday 1 December 2020 at 9.00am reliant on current Covid conditions.

### A G E N D A

1. **OPENING AND APOLOGIES**
2. **MINUTES** of Council Meeting held Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> JULY 2020.
3. **CONFIRMATION OF ABOVE MINUTES**
4. **BUSINESS ARISING** out of the above Minutes (other than referred to elsewhere in the Agenda).
5. **REPORTS**
  - I. President Report – Mr Gary Hamer
  - II. Executive Recommendations
  - III. Treasurer – Mrs Carole Hodges – June balance sheet and profit and loss to be circulated prior to meeting.
  - IV. Chairman of Chief Instructors Committee and Recommendations from the Zone Chief Instructors Meeting – Mrs S Woodhouse
  - V. Other Reports
6. **APPLICATIONS to host State Championships –**
  - State Dressage 23/24 January 2021 – Zone 4 Dubbo, Zone 15 Murwillumbah, Zone 19 Clarendon (decided by Survey Monkey October 2020)
  - State One Day Event 1/2 May 2021 – Zone 2 Harden
  - State Showjumping 3/4 July 2021 – Zone 10 Bowral
  - State Mounted Games and Team Sporting 18/19 September – Zone 16 Bungendore

### 7. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Motion 1 Zone 9

That the Zone Chief Instructors Meeting and the Pony Club Association of NSW Council meetings the venue for these meeting change from Campbelltown Sydney to Maitland/Newcastle.

*Rationale: Maitland being approximately the middle of the State for travel distance. Easier access to venue & cheaper accommodation.*

## Motion 2 Zone 20

That a pro-rata PCA NSW Membership fee to apply where a member joins after 1 July in a calendar year. The pro-rata fee will be set when all other fees are set.

*Rationale: We have many new members to Pony Club who join part way through the year. They may join in the second half of the because they have just got their first horse or now have the confidence to take their horse for a first outing.*

*It is difficult to justify charging a full year's membership when a new family join in the second half of the year (sometimes as late as October or November). Often prospective new families decide to wait until the new calendar year to join or decide not to join at all.*

*Charging a full annual fee in the second half of the year is not equitable and is currently a barrier for new members.*

*We recognise that membership fees are set through the annual budgeting process to cover the annual costs of the association. We understand that it may take more than one year to implement the change, however, feel that steps should be taken to explore this possibility and change to the budgeting process and setting of annual fees.*

## Motion 3 Zone 20

Current Rule:

### **Section 9 – Showjumping Rules - Competition Rules**

*At Zone/Club Level Showjumping competitions, riders (graded C or above) may be permitted to participate on two horses, (one horse competitively, the other non-competitively). The 2nd horse can be either lower, higher or the same grade. If the second non-competitive horse was in the same grade, then the second non-competitive horse would be ridden last. The decision to allow two entries per rider will be at the discretion of the host Zone/Club.*

No guidance in relation to second mount was found in other discipline rules

### **New Motion change to:**

For all disciplines, the following to apply:

At Zone/Club Level competitions, riders may be permitted to participate on more than one horse in a competition. Only one horse may be competitive in each competition and any other entries will be non-competitive. Each horse entered must have attended the minimum number of club rallies and where required by the discipline be appropriately graded.

The decision to allow more than one entry per rider will be at the discretion of the host Zone/Club for the event.

*Rationale: To enable a smooth transition to a new horse (either from your first pony to a bigger mount or maybe the move from a schoolmaster to a green horse) many riders have been asking whether they can enter more than one horse in a competition.*

*The current by-laws allow a second horse in show jumping, only if the first horse is C grade or above. In some cases, we have riders with their trusted D grade pony, wanting to take their new bigger horse to its*

*first E grade competition. Removal of the requirements for C grade or above in showjumping will meet member's needs.*

*For other disciplines, the by-laws are silent on a second horse and prior guidance linked the disciplines to the Showjumping rules (which is not relevant for other disciplines). More than one horse should be permitted in all disciplines (at the discretion of the club or zone running the competition) and as long as both horses have met the minimum rally numbers and are appropriately graded (where applicable).*

*We are also finding in many zones that we are not getting large numbers at competitions, this change would provide the flexibility to allow additional mounts if numbers allow.*

*This change creates more alignment with other youth equestrian organisations (EA Interschools and other PCA states) which enable riders to enter more than one horse on the day.*

- 8. CORRESPONDENCE – List to be provided on the day**
- 9. GENERAL BUSINESS**
- 10. NEXT MEETING DATE (28 March 2021) AND CLOSE MEETING**