

Australian Barrel Horse Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 6th SEPTEMBER 2017. TAMWORTH NSW

Meeting opened 7.10pm

Present: Adele Edwards, Maree Oddy, Michelle O'Neill, Suzanne Dicks, Michelle Peters, Pat Collins, Tamara Walker, Dallas Pearce, Jayne Lilley, Vicki Schiller, Danielle Foster, Fay Fishenden, Helen Mc Vicar, Suzy Patteson, Karen Labuschewski, Michelle Sheens, Michelle Bush, Rachel Taylor, Kerrie Holder, Tracey Macey, Kirsty Kuhbauch, Jodie White, Bridgette Hasting, Tui Gordon, Katherine Wellings, Mikyla Hogno, Maree Prow, Stephanie Gard, Bianca Hertel, Sue Kell, Jamie-Lee Prow, Joelene Seeds, Katie Lucht, Tammy Cooper, Angleen Cook, Fran Ross, Jeff Ross, Gina Toparis, Elle-Vayle Douglas, Shanton Smith, Skye Smith, Lyn Collins, Tania Brannock, Leanne Crook, Tracey Doyle, Kylie Gallagher, Vicki Hunt, Veronica Luxford, Naomi Bennett, Carlene White, Samantha Moore, Cheryl Deaves, Sam Karapatsakis, Julie Flanagan, Joan Burchell.

Apologies: Wendy Caban, Jane Keenan, Cathrina Hutton, Cathy Raaen.

Minutes:

Minutes from the 2016 AGM were read and found to be true and correct.

Moved: Michelle O'Neill 2nd: Vicki Schiller carried

Business Arising:

The Board of Directors agreed to trial Cathy Raaen's suggestion of ½ second splits for the 2017 National Finals. There are to be 8 divisions in the divisional event with 8 saddles, buckles, rugs and prizes to be presented to the winners of each division.

The new 2018 Divisional qualifying criteria is now in-place. DIVISIONAL:

To qualify for the divisional event at the National Finals, it is the RIDER who qualifies and rider must have ridden in 1(one) ABHA Open Divisional event at 5 (five) separate ABHA affiliated days. Juniors may compete in Divisional Barrel Race provided they have ridden in 1(one) Open Divisional event at 5 (five) separate ABHA affiliated days during the qualifying period of 1st July 2017 – 30th June 2018. Once rider is qualified, they may enter any amount of horses in the 4D as they wish.

Presidents report:

Good evening members and welcome to the 2017 AGM.

What an exciting time it is for our sport on the eve of the biggest barrel racing event ever staged in Australia. We have a big 4 days of competition ahead of us, but with cooperation from the competitors, plenty of hard work from the board and the wonderful band of helpers, we hope to make the 2017 finals an event we can all be proud of. Anyone who has time to offer assistance throughout the finals will be very welcomed. Aelec policy requires all volunteers to have an induction before they can help, so please see the ABHA office to fill in the paperwork.

The previous 12 months have seen our sport continue to grow in memberships, affiliates and competitions.

Congratulations to all our fantastic affiliates on their hard work in running so many wonderful events.

The ABHA now offers the members a personal Accident Insurance policy at a very reasonable cost, which is a huge step forward for our sport, we are thrilled to be able to offer this.

Our sport is continuously growing and with the support of the members towards both their fellow competitors and the affiliates in every way we can, it will continue to prosper.

I would like to extend a big thank you to my fellow board members, secretary Jayne Lilley and Honorary Board members Helen McVicar for all their hard work over the last 12 months and in the lead up to the finals.

In closing, I would like to wish all competitors the best of luck & fun times both here at the finals & at any event that you may be attending in the future.

Moved: Sue Kell 2nd: Danielle Foster carried

Election of Officers:

Adele Edwards declared the 4 outgoing positions vacant.

Adele Edwards - President

Directors up for re-nomination: Michelle O'Neill – retiring. Pat Collins Susan Keenan Suzanne Dicks

Vice President:

Adele Edwards is re-elected as unopposed President

Director nominations:
Naomi Bennett
Suzanne Dicks
Bridgette Hasting
Pat Collins
Susan Keenan

Due to the number of nominations received exceeding the number of vacant positions, a vote by Ballot paper was held.

Meeting was suspended and ballots tallied by Kerrie Holder, Michelle Bush and Vicki Schiller.

Pat Collins 93 votes Susan Keenan 84 votes Bridgette Hasting 59 votes Suzanne Dicks 85 votes Naomi Bennett 61 votes

Adele Edwards thanked retiring Directors Michelle O'Neill and welcomed returned Directors Pat Collins, Susan Keenan and Suzanne Dicks and Naomi Bennett as incoming Directors for a 2-year term on the Board. Michelle O'Neill has graciously offered her continued services in helping to organise Equitana every second year.

Secretary's Report:

2016 ended up with 1,601 members.

48 affiliates - this year we welcomed many new affiliates.

183 events were held during the year.

1st January saw the introduction of personal accident insurance for our members.

2017 Finals will see the introduction of Open Divisional ½ second splits making 8 divisions and the introduction of the Little Drum Runners event for our future barrel racers.

Jayne Lilley presented secretary's report as attached:

Moved: Maree Oddy 2nd: Susan Keenan Carried

Treasurer's Report:

Jayne Lilley presented the ABHA Financial Statements audited by Prows, Perrin and Twomey, Auditors Ballarat Vic. – PPT

Balance as of 30th June 2017 Balance as of 30th June 2017 \$64,767.88

Invested \$41,192.53 Invested \$20,103.57 Total \$126,063.98

See attached audited report.

Moved: Sue Kell 2nd: Michelle Peters Carried

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Election of the 2017-2018 ABHA Auditors:

Motion:

To employ PPT Accountants, Ballarat Victoria, to continue to be the ABHA's auditors for the 2017-2018 Financial year.

Moved: Vicki Schiller 2nd: Suzanne Dicks Carried

General Business

Notice of Motion 1:

received by Tracey Macey and Nicole Macey:

Motion:

Pole Bending rules to be changed to:

Starting Line 8m from timer to 1st Pole, then 6m every pole after.

Whipping Rule: 3 whips up and 3 whips back. No whips in between poles or around end pole.

Knocking over a pole is a 5 second penalty.

Motion Declined

Amended Motion:

Pole Bending rules to be amended to:

Starting line 8m from timer to 1st pole, then 6 m every pole after. 6 poles.

Whipping rule: 3 whips up and 3 whips back. No whips in between poles.

Knocking over a pole is a 5 second penalty.

Moved: Tracey Macey 2nd Carried

Notice of motion 2:

received by Vicki Hunt and Jo Clarke:

That all events run by ABHA Affiliated clubs qualify competitors to compete in the ABHA finals.

37 votes to strike motion None against Motion Striked

Notice of motion 3:

received by Kerrie Holder and Cathy Raaen:

Option to roll times from Classic to Divisional at the finals.

41 votes to strike motion None against Motion Striked

Notice of motion 4:

received from Suzanne Dicks and Adele Edwards:

Add rule No/. 11 into Affiliates section in the rule book.

11. All affiliates paying prizemoney via electronic banking must have transactions completed and processed within 72 hours of completion of said event.

Moved: Suzanne Dicks 2nd Adele Edwards carried

Notice of motion 5:

received from Suzanne Dicks and Adele Edwards:

To amend Barrel Racing Diagram in the rulebook.

Add: Drum pegs for first and second drums to be 5.5m from fence (minimum)

Add: Third drum peg to be 7.5m from fence

(minimum)

Moved: Suzanne Dicks 2nd Adele Edwards carried

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ABHA	
Adele Edwards President	Jayne Lilley Sec/Treas
Meeting Closed 8:22pm	
Next AGM to be held during 2018 National Finals, time and date TBA.	
2018 ABHA National Finals to be held 4 th -9 th September 2018 at AELEC.	