

NORTHERN METROPOLITAN ZONE DCI/ZA PANEL

Minutes of the DCI/ZA Panel meeting held at Wyena Pony Club on Wednesday 20th February 2008 at 8pm.

PRESENT: Jim Page, Diane Baxter, Peter Smith, Jennifer Smith, Chris Townsend, Kate Wilson, Joanna Potton, Gill Gascoigne, Rob Welch, Richard Collins, Michele Campbell, Jan Dear, Anna Beard, Kylie Chambeyron. Rachael Edwards

APOLOGIES: Prue King, Ina Moss, Marj Waterbury, Shayne Collins, Linda Smith

Sue Winter in the chair welcomed all present and opened meeting at 8.10pm.

MINUTES: of the previous meeting held 21st November 2007 as circulated be accepted.

Moved K Wilson Seconded J Page

BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION LIST:

Diane Baxter noted that her comment re the panel bank account wasn't complete in minutes and should have read, "She did feel Zone had investigated this matter but not to the extent DCI/ZA panel were happy with".

Also the motion proposed should have read "A vote of no confidence in the Zone Executive for their mishandling of the DCI/ZA Panel's bank account."

Moved Peter Smith Seconded Richard Collins

Peter commented on several points in the letter received from the Zone Executive re C DVD that he felt were incorrect and quite upsetting. Peter has received a separate letter from Zone, which has been forwarded to solicitors that was quite defamatory. Jennifer also spoke re Zone's letter to Peter and how upsetting the accusations are considering the immense work Peter has done. She felt this has all come about when the Panel's missing funds were questioned. Peter is quite upset that people are saying "he's in it for the money". Richard wondered if a "higher" body was driving Zone. Peter is expecting the Zone Executive to withdraw the letter to him with an apology. Peter has subsequently withdrawn from all Zone activities aside from DCI/ZA Panel. Michele queried "funding" for the C DVD – no one really knew where it was coming from, hasn't arrived as yet.

Peter is planning to try and distribute the C DVD through other means.

Both Peter and Jennifer have been deeply insulted by this entire process.

Rachael offered thanks on behalf of the panel to Peter for his past work and very glad he's remaining on the DCI/ZA Panel. Sue reiterated these words and extended the thanks to Jennifer and Rachael for their hard work also.

CORRESPONDENCE: As per attached list.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As attached

Moved R Collins Seconded R Edwards

ZONE CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT:

CIP meeting is next Saturday 23rd Feb.

PCAV asked for our judges' list to compile a State Judging list to be used for State events, etc.

Michele had been asked to provide feedback re club visit forms; Rachael advised we had already sent our feedback via Linda Smith.

Discussion at Zone regarding how clubs were selected to host the Junior Eventing Clinics -Brenda has compiled an email with details for clubs. A copy of this email and the letter we will be sending host clubs is to be sent to the Zone Sec for inclusion in minutes for all clubs to peruse.

Michele also reminded everyone that there are specific grading guidelines that club should follow when grading riders.

No Level O coaching courses are being run due to the NCAS rewrite, which is in progress.

ZONE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT: As per attached.

ZONE EXAMINING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

C written test dates are Feb 6, Mar 5, Apr 8, May 13, June 17, July 22, and Sept 3.

Applications in hand for Lilydale, Yarra Glen, St Andrews.

Waiting on applications from Seville, Ringwood, Kangaroo Ground, Yarra Glen, Eltham, Lilydale

2 K practical tests are booked at St Andrews for April.

New C syllabus states candidates may use float boots and tail bandage but boots must be correct fitting. Also only need to examine a quick release knot.

Diane proposed we continue using our existing marking sheets for C as opposed to the new C Checklist in the candidates folders. Seconded R Edwards.

CLUB VISITS:

Donvale – done by Jennifer	Eltham – Sue & Anna to do
Hurstbridge – to be done (Sue)	Lilydale – done by Prue & Kylie
Lower Plenty – done	Mooroolbark –
Nunawading – to be done (Shayne)	St Andrews – done
Yarrambat – to be done	Wyena –
Yea – Jim	Diamond Valley
Healesville	Kangaroo Ground – to be done (Sue & Michele)
Kinglake – done	Laurimar – Rob to contact Prue to do
Nth Eastern – Jim to do	Upper Yarra – done
Mt Evelyn – done	Seville – Rob & Rachael will do
Ringwood	

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Patches – no further progress as minimum quantities are too high for our purposes project was deemed to not be viable.
- DVD Update – report supplied by Rachael (attached)
- C Info Night – report supplied by Rachael (attached). Michele asked if we could re schedule the C Info Night based on the new syllabus and workbook. Rachael, Jennifer and Diane will facilitate at Ringwood on Fri 9th May.
- Junior rider clinics – 1st 2 clinics for the year are filling slowly
- Senior Riders clinic – to be held possibly at Wyena or Yeringberg. Sue and Michele discussed checking out venues.
- State Workshop will cover coaching clinic.
- Rob still having difficulty with the outcomes of the DCI/ZA bank account closure feels that we should be able to get some concrete answers as to where it went. There will be a “paper trail” at the bank if nowhere else and Zone could request a closing statement for the last 12 months of the account which would probably answer most questions. Sue also offered to manually go back through Zones minutes to see when the account was closed. Proposed that the Panel send a letter to the Zone Executive requesting a closing statement from the bank and access to check back through the minutes.
Proposed R Welch Seconded S Winter.

Meeting closed 10.35 pm

Next Meeting is Wednesday May 21st 2008 at Wyena Pony Club at 8pm SHARP!

Special thanks from Kate for reports supplied – saving her HEAPS of writing and typing!!!!!!