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UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Central Coast Hunter Region Ordinary General Meeting

Saturday 9th April 2011

Meeting commenced at 10.35am

- Charlie welcomed all and thanked Anne & peter for their hospitality.
Present: Susan Roberts, Ron & Judi Austin, Alastair Smedley, Madeline Kinloch, Nigel Thompson, Anne Waugh, Malcolm Perry, Denis Marks, Charlie & Sandra Vella, Sherry Stumm
Visitors: Pamela Hart, Peter Kinloch.
Apologies: Stephanie & Justin Phillips, Eric & Maree Brown, Karen Smedley, Rhonda Perry, Deb Smith & Dave Cooper, Cathy & Noel Reid.
- Motion to approve previous OGM 5th December
Moved Madeline Kinloch Seconded Alastair Smedley.
- Correspondence

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Due to a last minute problem with an animal Deb Smith is unable to be in attendance therefore the only correspondence available is:

Letter from Dianne Sanderson.

Business arising from Correspondence:

Dianne and most of the other members from Tamworth are missing out on LAN notifications and minutes and wished to have it revised and updated as to which LAN they were part of. Charlie confirmed that they are definitely part of the NE LAN and that he would have a map attached to the minutes. Also he asked if the LAN coordinators could please make sure that their listings are completely updated so no members were excluded.

- Committee Reports
 - a. President:
 - Charlie advised that the next Presidents meeting is being held at the end of May and asked if there were any agenda items members wanted included.
- Madeline asked if there was any further information regarding the NLIS and Charlie said this would already be on the agenda so he would report back after this. He did suggest

that if any members were waiting to purchase registration tags that the advice so far is to buy what you actually need in Brass IAR tags as the trial is not yet completed.

- There has been advice from AAA that the problems they have been experiencing with the Australian Alpaca magazine should be resolved soon if not already.
- NAW – there is to be some funding from AAA for Alpaca week but as yet there is not a dollar value available. Pamphlets will be available soon.
- There has been some discussion re the continuation of the Industry Directory due to the cost of production. Charlie has responded to this with his thoughts being that it is well used and therefore should be continued. He stated that even though you can use the AAA website it is not always the most available thing and that there are still a lot of members who do not have access to the internet. So far the response from other regional presidents is 50/50.

Anne suggested maybe it could be Bi-annual

Dennis suggested that it was a good incentive to pay your membership on time or you were excluded for the year and many other members said that they actually kept a copy in their vehicles for use when out and about.

Motion: the Industry Directory is a useful listing for members and therefore should be continued.

Moved: Susan Roberts Seconded: Dennis Marks Carried Unanimously

b. Vice President:

Cathy was unavailable for this meeting.

c. Treasurer:

Treasurer's report attached.

Nigel asked about total equity & total assets. Sandra said that she has asked exactly what is the Historical Balance and also why the debtors does not match the actual debtors value. Nigel has asked for this to be brought up at the presidents meeting.

d. Newsletter:

Dot has no articles for the next issue and the deadline is basically over.

There was also a suggestion by Charlie that the LAN map should be included in the next newsletter.

e. Website:

Alpaca week is now on the regions website, so if you are being involved and would like to be included, please give your details to Nigel asap to be sure of inclusion on both the AAA website and the regions.

- Show & Display Reports:

Mid North Coast show is at Kempsey Showground NOT Kendall. Alastair confirmed they are waiting on confirmation from the judge. Sherry Stumm asked why we were moving from Kendall to Kempsey and Alastair explained how Kendall facilities were no longer suitable as they had been converted to suit horses and that also all the

volunteers are from the MNC so therefore it was further for them to travel regularly to do the work.

- Trailer Update

The new trailer is just about completed and hopefully will be ready by the end of May. It will be able to take approx. 50 panels and promotional materials and trestle tables also.

- National Alpaca Week

Nigel has the medial CD which he has now distributed to the LAN coordinators. He would like more advice from LAN's/members on their activities.

Nigel also asked if anyone had any photos of alpacas with someone in the picture in 'end product'. If you are able to assist Nigel please contact him.

If any members are doing media releases please let Nigel know where and when so he is not doubling up on this.

- Marketing

Nigel said the marketing committee was also meeting with the Presidents at the end of May, focusing on end product. All ideas are welcome

- General Business:

- Lindy Brown was the only person to put her hand up for education office. Deb only received 8 responses from the education survey.
- Lindy has put forward a proposal to hold a 'T Team' workshop. The committee said they would need this to be offered to the entire region and the workshops must get the required participants, for the committee to consider financial support.

Judi said that this was basically a personal workshop for members so should not be subsidised by the region.

Nigel felt that any training financially supported by the region should be of benefit to the region and all/most members. He stated that all shows/displays had a requirement of breakeven – profit, and this training would not breakeven or gain a profit.

The vote was 10 – 0 against (for those who voted)

- Anne Waugh asked where we can take our fleeces to for pick up going to AAFL. Nigel said that Michael Jack still accepted fleece at the shop in Morpeth and that he was sure that they had a second shop but the locality was unknown.

- Next OGM/AGM – TBA but somewhere in the Central Coast around August.

Meeting was closed at 12.20pm

Minutes taken by Sandra Vella, Treasurer.

Balance Sheet As of 06.04.2011

Assets				
General Cheque Account				\$18,072.41
Undeposited Funds				
Cash on Investment - AAA				\$3,611.62
Actual Debtors		882.75		-\$243.00
Assets - Trailers				\$5,104.90
Assests - All Other				\$15,013.45
Total Assets				\$41,559.38

Liabilities				
Equity				
Current Earnings				\$3,117.05
Historical Balancing Account				\$39,568.08
Total Equity				\$42,685.13

Profit & Loss 1.12.10 - 6.04.2011

Income				
AAA Capitation Regional Rebate				\$398.86
Advertising/Sponsorship				
Advertising				
Event Income - Wool Expo				\$50.00
Interest Received				\$51.10
Magazine/Newsletter Income				\$1,640.50
Show Income				
New England Show Other Income				\$192.00
MNC Show Entries				
MNCShow Other Income				\$500.00
Judges Reimbursement				
Sundry Income				\$775.00
Website				\$122.50
Total Income				\$3,729.96

Open Invoices \$243.00

Expenses				
Advertising/Sponsorship/Trophies				
Advertising				\$250.00
RAS AAA Stand sponsorship				\$500.00
Flora Festival				
Total				\$135.00
Meeting Expenses				\$175.41
Newsletter/Magazine Expenses				\$642.25
Regional Admin Expenses				
Show Expenses				
MNC Show Expenses				
New England Show Expenses				\$687.50
Sundry Expenses				\$775.00
Purchases under \$500				
Purchases over \$500				\$2,000.00
Total Expenses				\$5,165.16
Net Profit (Loss)				-\$1,435.20