

**PONY CLUB VICTORIA**  
ABN 6432002009  
**STATE COUNCIL MEETING REPORT**



Meeting Date: Tuesday 2 July 2019  
Location: "Irving House", 73-75 Mackie Rd, Mulgrave. VIC 3757

**Meeting Opened 10am**

Dianne Harvey was confirmed and welcomed as the new Treasurer of PCV, having been appointed by the State Council to fill the vacancy left by Geoff Tulett.

**In Attendance –**

Peter Favaloro (PF) - President, James Lang (JL) Vice President, Dianne Harvey (DH) – Treasurer, Beth McCann (BM) – NMZ, Coral Byrne (CB) – BZ, David Stammers (DS) - CZ, Jan Bromwich (JB) - EGZ, Sue Foley (SF) – MZ, , Shari Mawson – Cannon (SMC) – NZ, Graeme Johnstone (GJ) – SMZ, Lisa Hocking (LH) – WGZ. Rod Keast (RK) – WZ, Rick Gill (EO)

**Apologies –**

Sue Muirhead (SM) Vice President, Ian Don (ID) – NEZ

An overview was provided on the status of the projects submitted to Sport and Recreation Victoria to support funding for the next 4 years. Foundation funding of \$20,000 each year for the next four years was approved and been received, and this was seen as an excellent outcome. Projects are being assessed by SRV currently and all sport has been told not to expect the full amount of funding requested.

A request for a rule change to alter the Rule 36.7a and 34.6b was received and discussed. These rules relate to Formal Supervised Training and that it cannot be conducted during competitions. The State Council believe there is merit in allowing some Formal Supervised Training to occur at competitions with conditions. This was referred to the Rules Committee to advise on rule wording and possible conditions.

The Council discussed a preferred date for the Special General Meeting which has been requested by more than 10 clubs as allowed for in the PCV Constitution. State Council have agreed on 10 August, 12 noon. (NOTE This is now to be held at the Werribee RSL).

State Council discussed governance and in particular a future structure. The State Council debated the merits of an Independent Board structure and a Representative Board structure. It was resolved that both models would be presented to Members and Members making the decision on which way to proceed. A constitution would be drafted/amended/revised once one model was chosen. The first stage would be to present a high-level outline of both the Independent and Representational models to Members at the 10 August SGM. There would be no vote at this meeting. At the AGM in October, a decision would be taken on which model to progress with, and a vote taken at an SGM to be called later in the year to decide to adopt a new Constitution.

The approval of the following Zone Chief Instructors was made:

- Lyn Evans BZ
- Nyree Weybury CZ
- Bev Milner EGZ
- Deb Collins WGZ
- Linda Gerring MZ
- Shelley McRae WZ
- Rob Welch NMZ
- Kathleen Findler SMZ

The State Council noted that the criteria for Zone Chief Instructors needs to be reviewed.

The dates for State Championships in 2020 were discussed. The new dates have taken into consideration the conditions at PCVEC and where possible allowed for EV dates.

- State Dressage and Show Jumping 5/6 September 2020
- State Horse Trials and Interzone 18/19 April 2020
- Games Flat and Musical Ride 24/25 October 2020

David Stammers has been requested to write a Cross Country course accreditation process based on a system already in place in WA. PCWA will be asked for permission to use their material.

Coral Byrne has been requested to re-write the current dressage tests to include a test above Grade 1 Standard, and Grade 6 tests for implementation January 2020. These tests are nearly finished and the CIP have requested input. Coral will provide to CIP for their information. A name proposed for the new Grade is Pony Club Advanced.

PCV will initiate for 2019 awards based on the PCA awards. The State Office will create a draft and circulate to State Council for approval, and then to Clubs.

Di Harvey presented her first report as Treasurer. In current financials and it was noted that PCV would return a small profit after anticipated adjustments for the end of year in June were finalised through the audit process. In summary the following was noted up to 31 May for the major cost centres:

- Shop: Increase in anticipated Profit: \$31,000 profit on a budgeted \$16,000 profit
- PCVEC: Decrease in anticipated Loss: -\$54,000 loss on a budgeted -\$70,000 loss
- State Events: Decrease in anticipated Loss: +\$20,000 profit on a budgeted -\$2,000 loss
- Coaching: Decrease in anticipated Loss: -\$28,000 loss on a budgeted -\$52,000 loss
- Administration: Increase in anticipated \$101,000 profit on a budgeted \$85,000 profit.

Di noted that in her perusal of the accounts, the financials are well-managed and the organisation was being very well run.

Executive Officer noted that the accounting system and processes were going through a major overhaul to ensure that reporting was more accurate and meaningful for State Council and members.

State Council resolved that Medical Armbands are optional for riders and cannot be over-ridden through schedules. Zone Reps are to check schedules to ensure that the wearing of medical armbands is optional for the rider.

State Council noted that several clubs were about to lose their grounds. Some clubs did not have a copy of their lease agreement which made it difficult in negotiating with their lessor. State Office to request Member Clubs to provide a copy of their current lease to allow a copy to be kept for safe-keeping.

State Council committed to reviewing the selection criteria and process for the next National Championship in 2021.

Meeting closed 5.40pm