Summary of Business



Excerpts from the Minutes of the EWA Board of Directors & Members of all Sport committees meeting

held at 6.30pm on 7 September 2021 at the SEC and via Zoom

ATTENDANCE: R Fleming (Chair), A Marchesani (Vice Chair), R O'Halloran (Finance Director), A Wilkins, G Edwards, W Newton-Wordsworth, R Hovell

Apologies: J Withoud, K Wilson

In attendance: D Pedlow CEO, Sport committee representatives: Dressage S Munro, E Greene; Eventing P McLachlan, R Ellis; Jumping T Barber J Odgaard, A Kippin; Show Horse V Mayger; Coaching G Botten, D Bennit, B Thomas

Disclosure of Interest

Updated 22 June 2021

Dressage competitor
Member, Perth Dressage Club, Brookleigh Dressage Club,
Employee of Racing & Wagering WA
Partner is Dressage competitor,EA Coach, CE
Member Brookleigh Working Equitation Club,
Founder Coaching Excellence Alliance, Founder Get Up and
Gallop Coaching & Mentoring, DWA Steward, Marketing associate at Concept Marketing
Member Perth Dressage Club
Eventing competitor, Breeder, Eventing HP Recognition Squad member, Member Dryandra Regional Equestrian Association
Showjumping Competitor CEO & Manager Yalambi Farm Stud (Breeder) Yalambi Jumping Classic Show Organiser Member of Equestrian Australia National Jumping Committee Equestrian Coach
President, Moora & Districts Horsemans Assoc Member, Geraldton Combined Equestrian Club
Daughter is a Jumping competitor and a members of WASJA and Swan River Showjumping Club, EA Fees & Leviies Committee

Acknowledgement of country

General Business

Equestrian Australia:

EA Safety update report was forwarded to sport committees, CEO reported that EA was about to appoint a Health & Safety committee, CEO's are to hold fortnightly meetings with National Safety Officer M Chapman and that EA has appointed V Farr to support NSO

RF requested the report that Eventing WA supplied to EA, PMcL stated that it was verbal. EWA requested that Eventing WA supply the Board with a report of EWA's compliance to National safety plan.

EA Strategy review, this has not be sent the Sport committees, RF commented that EA now has the time and with the appointment of the CEO D Gocher will be starting the review process. CEO EA is to engage with all stakeholders

Sport committees;

EWA Annual elections; CEO noted that R Ellis had identified an error in the committee vacancies prior to publication the CEO has corrected and will resent updated committee vacancies, the number of position up for election is unchanged. RF explained the new election process to align with the By-Laws

EWA Communications and Sport committees; CEO/AM Sport committees to compile information for their newsletter section of the Enews. GB need to remember the time constraints on volunteers.

EWA Annual awards

CEO provided and explained the updated EWA Annual Awards policy.

VM vote process can be improved/CEO is working with Nominate to improve voting and ensure voting receipts are sent.

RH need to ensure night is good value as tickets expensive is there a way to ensure winners attend, keep the same theme as was planned for 2020. Make the night fun.

EWA Sport Fund

Updated format for 2022 provided. Funds unallocated carried forward to 2022.

EWA Strategic plan

Survey to be sent to members, CEO to enquire with other states for examples of questions. WA Jumping to share the results of their survey from earlier in 2021.

SM raised that EWA should promote the strategic plan more, CEO to follow up.

JO raised that branding should be banned and EWA only accept Micro chipping as a welfare issue.

NWN discussed if Microchip can be removed they are secure and accepted as ID.

Group discussion re Microchip/horse registration/measuring day at start of year as was to promote horse identification.

Horse annual update registration.

Member Protection Policy:

EA National Integrity framework NIF

Sport Integrity Australia

EA is working with Sport Australia to be the first sport to be part of the Sport integrity framework. This should happen by the end of the year.

The complaints process will be reviewed as part of this with clear roles and responsibilities. Suggest we wait to review EWA processes.

SEC

RF all the Board negotiations re the SEC include all equestrian interests, they are considered as paramount, the SEC core business is continued access by horses, have met with Sport Minster, Director General DLGSC, Board should have more to report within 2 months.

External operator EWA is investigating an option re external operator.

Commercial partnership DSR and EWA are to conduct business plans for SEC with different options, this will assist commercial options.

City of Swan/EWA to start lease renewal negotiations.

Communications re SEC CEO to organise meeting with SEC stakeholders.

Any other business from Sport committee

DB Invite to Board re jumping presentations at Perth Royal Show

WNW reminder all that EWA interests is best served if we are all united and work as one, it is the responsibility of all to carry EWA forward and be loyal.

Sport committee meeting finished 8.30pm Board meeting resumed 8.40pm

Additional comments to items raised

Annual awards, RH cost balance re the importance of a good social night, must be fun. CEO stated plan to have reduced awards more time to socialise. Crown has been booked.

Financials

CEO suggested that Sport committee receive quarterly EWA financial updates, States will be providing to EA as well.

RoH to also to review current financial reporting to be easier to read.

GE concern re cash burn CEO stated that cash reserves forecast to end year was understated. AW SEC/CoS lease start process,

SEC

RoH/AW need to establish a SEC key issues register options/risks etc SEC Cross Country flooding, CEO report no damage identified at this stage CC should be opened soon, transportable fences to be put out this week

Covid RoH asked about vaccine requirements/events/insurance risk/waiver etc, information to be sought from DSR

Meeting Closes 10.00pm

Next meeting 5 October 6.30pm