

Canterbury Dressage Group

Meeting Minutes 20 September 2017

NEC 7pm

Meeting Minutes:

1. Welcome

Present: Aubrey McRae, Andrew Bruce, Gill and Charles Usher, Charmaine Racke, Karen Daniels, Cherie Pearson, Sarah Hazlewood, Lynda Clarke, Sophie Griffith, Shannon Brien, Bailey McIntosh, Linda Griffith, Linda Warren Davey, Charlotte Faulks, Dani Simpson

2. Apologies:

Nicki Ford, Jane Crichton, Mel Van der Pol, Holly Merritt, Soo Wells, Ken Wilson,

3. Matters for general business

World Dressage Challenge:

- Tests in lead up with judge discussion
- Practice trot up – is trot up on tunnel or surface.

September / October Days:

- Challenge format, prizes with prize giving.

4. Finance report:

5. Sponsorship

Work in progress. Hatton and Lily are signed for SI's and Bayer on for Spring Series

6. Training days

- Encourage eventers to come – look at running eventing tests on the day to attract a wider range of riders.
- Same with the SJ training days – work them in with dressage to try encourage 'non-dressage' riders to participate.
- Look at running these days prior to their big events – such as SI3DE, 2DE, Championships etc so they are able to practice beforehand.

7. Canterbury Champs

- Entry forms to be out soon

8. **Dressage NZ** – Young Rider Derby (SI CHAMPS)

- Young Rider Derby at SI's proposed – it would be using loan horses.
- SI riders will go to the NI for their Island Champs and vice versa.
- Would be for Under 25's
- Loan horses would need to be organised
- Wendy is to organise rules and send them through

9. Soo's report

10. Canterbury champs –

- No evening dinner but Wine & Cheese will be run instead
- Silent Auction as a fundraiser – eggs, lessons, wine, cheese etc (not purely horse items)

11. Looking at doing a payment when entering system, maybe need to look into it a bit more

12. Time between show and entry should we look at making it less. Maybe look at 10 days. However, if short timeframe payments – would be worthwhile to use poly to streamline the process.

13. **SI Champs** – 2.5 days.

- Confirm YH dressage – SI or April?
- Sponsorship getting sorted
- BBQ or dinner on the Saturday night.

14. Need to have lead up tests to YH finals. Whether to do a tri series with other Canterbury regions? Better to do them later in season once the 4 year olds have some more work. Maybe run a wee day for YH's in jan etc

15. **Future Stars**

- Mitavite on board for showing. Zilco? Need to discuss the naming rights and what is involved.
- Needs to be comparable to SI and CC's.
- Syncroflex sponsoring YH, Mitavite showing.
- Consider showing classes – should it be on a different day, purpose of showing classes? Suitable for dressage?
- Wine and cheese and watch the showing at the same time. Or have dressage ridden classes that tie in with the showing classes. EG Friday twilight led classes, sat twilight ridden etc and do a final on Sunday.
- Need a FS subgroup / committee for the showing.

16. Catering? Organised

17. Public food – coffee van etc booked

18. We have two pallets of salt blocks 6 x \$25 (ie \$25 a box) ** NEED TO CONFIRM HOW MANY A BOX – KEEP SOME SALT FOR AUCTIONS AND PRIZES
19. **Website** – What is happening with it?
 - Shannon is organising to meet with Mel and the guy doing it.
 - We need a time frame on it up and running properly
20. Should we have a wine-tasting with a winery – promotion for them and free for us
21. Karen and Anne Moore give their thanks for the trip to Hamilton – greatly beneficial and appreciated.
22. Office lady required for WC.
23. Medical people – Canterbury champs?

Meeting closed: 845