



Australian Stock Horse

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
The Australian Stock Horse Society Limited
Held on Saturday 25 May 2024
Rendezvous Hotel, Perth, Scarborough Perth WA**

QUORUM PRESENT

1. The AGM opened at 1.02pm.

The Chairman welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting and opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement to Country.

2. IN ATTENDANCE :

Directors: Jenny Petrich (Acting Chair), Barry Moore, Judi Powell, Tricia Thomas, Lorna Fanning, Lance Butcher, Amy Grubb, Robert Watchirs, Sam Amey, Lance Butcher (10)

Members: Anne Barnes, Paul Brennan, Angelika Chalwell, Henry Clifton, Colin Crane, Amanda Day, Amanda Doig, Katarina Dudley, Chad Dudley, Vanessa Freeman, Graeme Frusher, Elizabeth Frusher, Kay Fry, Max Fry, Claire Hutton, Anna Kennedy, Nikki Lambourn, Robin Lawson, Adrian Lester, John Lyons, Gwen Lyons, Jessica Macleay, Kerryn Mickle, Jodie Moore, Karen Mori, Sharlie Morrison, Nicole Moxey, Cole Moxey, Richard Northcott, Lorraine Park, Michael Percy, Helen Price, John Prowse, Thomas Quigley, Sally Scott, Anna Shiminski, Lesley Smith, Dawn Solomon, Guy Thomas, Kym Tilka, Chris Towne, Sally Towne, Sally Williams, Geoff Willis (46)

Via Teams: Christine Brooker, Fiona Brooker, Les Walsh, Darren de Jong, Bruce Moxey, Rachael Schliebs, Lindy Weller, Amanda Hart, Jenelle Todd (9)

OTHER ATTENDANCE: Catherine Smith (General Manager), Belinda McKenzie (Management Support Officer), Alana Stephens & Paul Heaton from PKF Upper Hunter (ASHS Auditors), Sara Clifton, Beth Gratte, Mrs Percy, Keith Scott, Janet Smytherman

3. APOLOGIES:

The **General Manager** read the apologies as follows:

Ros McKinven, Steve McKinven, Les Walsh (not in person but online), Deborah Pollard, Gary Faulks, Corin Linch, Beverley Rogers, Dean Ryan, Wayne Smith

Moved: Guy Thomas Seconded: Amy Grubb

That the apologies be accepted.

CARRIED

4. PROXIES:

The General Manager read the proxies appointed to the following members:

Sam Amey – Ken Turner, Narekke Jurtzer, William Peadon, Sharon Jones, Kristie Ann Bargenquast, Jame Bargenquast, Peter Allen, Matthew Murray, Diana Burtenshaw, Belinda Cosgrove, Erin Beattie, Keith Mitchell, Darren Smith, Charly Robinson-Smith, Rhys Smith, Denise McMaster, Meagan McIntosh, Michelle Barnett, Noel Cheney, Louise Best, Matthew Best, Sally Packham, Erin King, David Heinrich David, Kylie Falconer

Acting Chairman – Jenny Petrich – Wayne Smith, Craig Young, Melanie Elworthy, Neville Holz, Terry Smith, David Ricketts, Jeanette Meyers, Bruce Moxey, Paul Vary, Darcey Schloebbs, Rachael Schliebs, Kimberley McCallum, Danni Warby, Frank Warby, James Beer, Emma Boland, Sandra Mary Lou Hodges, Jason Fry, Kim McMahon, Craig Neale, Leslie Gilleard, Bruce Vincent Withers, Heather Ahern, Blake Mutesi, Richard Bull, Nikko Cleary, Jay Charnock, Jese Flynn, Kim Frazer, Toby Frazer, Ashley Gorton, Robert Haigh, Alison Hall, Suzanne Herbert, Emily Humphries, Phoebe Kerin, Philip Main, Leah Maynes, Samantha Moeck, Luke McMahon, Alexandra Pope, Kenneth Robinson, Katrina Underwood, Stuart Robinson, Oliver Salerno, Brett Welsh, Ashley Whiting, Glenn Farzer, Robyn Wealand, Travis Gorton, Vicki Evans, Bill Gordon, Darren Butler, Christopher Donohoe, Sheeley McDouall, Amanda Sweeper, Jesse Lee Sammon, Shaun Welsh, Holly Perrin, Rodney O'Reilly, Ross Coghill, Michelle Main, Jayne Bourke, Meredith Regan

Darren DeJong – Karen Miles, Jacqueline Norris, Reva Flint, Vicki Mascord, Robert Banning, Joel Blake, Tenna Bridge, Katrina Bullock, Caitlin Croft, Sara Grills, Robert Leach, Joria Power, Breana Bennett, Craig Sheppard, Billy Sheppard, Amanda McLennan, Kathleen McLennan, Kathleen deJong, Garry Sutherland, Darcy O'Sullivan, Kylie Graham, Ranelle Carter, Jason McDougall

Anne Barnes - William Van Weerdenburg

Larry Cutler – Kate Thomas, Jane Allen, Robert Prichard, Gale Martin, Dianne Wilkinson, Jenni Phillips, Greg Bolster

Lorna Fanning – Michael Wilson

Robert Watchirs - Ella Devantier, Anne Marie Wallen, Jodie Harris, Neville Harris, Louisa Cox, Lynda Pattulio, Karen Nicoll, Michelle Tout, Kellie Robertson, Jennifer Emanuel, Madalyn Watchirs, A;expander Wrobel, John Saunders, Danial McCormack, Regina Johnson, Gemma Clarke, Robert Aitken, Michael Vivers, Jane Leake, Geoffrey Snape, Katryna Adams, Felicity Green

Barry Moore – Roger Moore, Jessica Moore, Joy Poole, David braid, Natasha Holland Peter Cutler, Scott Miller, Arthur Pollock, Mark Ryan, Tony Moore, Mark Whale, Rozinda Clare, David Cameron, Brett Holz, Ebony-Rae Holz, John Lee, Aalison Spencer, Graeme Pattison, Kate Clancy

Amy Grubb – Meg Archer, Catriona Nicholls, Tanya King, Tricia Ryan, Iain Hyde

Les Walsh – Debbie Pritchard, Heather Gorey, Janet Everingham, Scott McKillop, Russel Quirk, Cathy Irwin, Jane Mary Greentree, Ellie Clarke

Judi Powell – Elizabeth Lawlor, Jessica Schrag, Nathan Cusack

Tricia Thomas – Jean Barbara Gavin, Barbara Gavin

Bruce Moxey – Melinda Hassett

5. Motion 1:

CONFIRMATION OF 2023 AGM MINUTES

Moved: Amy Grubb Seconded: Judi Powell
that the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held in Scone NSW on Saturday 27 May 2023 be accepted.

CARRIED

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil

7. Motion 2:

CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Acting Chairman (Jenny Petrich) presented the Annual Report. There were no questions regarding the Chairman's Annual Report.

Moved: Jenny Petrich Seconded: Sally Scott
that the Chairman's report as read be accepted.

CARRIED

8. Motion 3:

TREASURERS REPORT

The Treasurer Amy Grubb presented the Financial Report.

The Report has been prepared in line with industry standards, Auditors PFK Upper Hunter are satisfied with the information and report presented.

Moved: Larry Cutler Seconded: Sam Amey
that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

CARRIED

9. Motion 4:

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

Moved: Tricia Thomas Seconded: Amy Grubb
that PFK Upper Hunter be appointed as the Society's Auditors for 2024.

CARRIED

10. DIRECTOR REPORT

Nil - incorporated in State Management Council Reports

11. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

An election was held for Western Australia - 1 position – Anna Kennedy was elected.

Elections were held for South East Australia - 1 position – Amy Grubb elected unopposed and uncontested for a further 3 years.

The Chairman congratulated Amy Grubb & Anna Kennedy on being elected to the Board.

12. SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

Motion 5:

Moved: Amy Grubb Seconded: Larry Cutler

The Board recommends that Clause 3.1 (e) Number of Directors, of the Society Constitution, be amended to allow members to vote in a State or Territory other than in which they reside if the member has been an active member of the Branch and/or Management Council in such State or Territory.

From:

3.1. Number of Directors

- (a) The Society must have ten (10) Directors to be known as the Board, unless the Society in general meeting otherwise determines.
- (b) The said ten (10) to be known as follows:
 - i) Four (4) Directors each residing in New South Wales;
 - ii) Two (2) Directors each residing in South Queensland;
 - iii) Two (2) Directors residing in South Australia and/or Victoria and/or Tasmania
 - iv) One (1) Director residing in Northern Queensland and/or Northern Territory
 - v) One Directors residing in Western Australian
- (c) For the purposes of this Clause 3.1 (b) New South Wales shall be deemed to include Australian Capital Territory.
- (d) The Directors shall be residents within the States/Territories they seek to represent and shall be elected by the members within their respective States/Territories.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, a member shall be eligible to seek election to the Board in the State or territory other than where they reside if they have been an active member of a Branch and/or Management Council within the relevant State & Territory for not less than five (5) years preceding the election. The candidates nomination must be verified by the relevant Branch/Management Council to that effect and shall be conclusive evidence of the fact.

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CARRIED

Motion 6:

Moved: Amy Grubb Seconded: Dawn Solomon

ASHLA request a transition from Management Council to Branch, Adoption of Changes to Clause 15-15.1 – Management Councils and 14.3 for the Constitution.

From:

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15. Management Councils

15.1 The Board shall, subject to this clause 15, have the power to approve the creation of Management Council or Councils to properly represent the interests of Branches within their designated geographical area **including but not limited to The Australian Stock Horse Ladies Association.**

14.3 The duties and responsibilities of a Branch of the Society are:

- (a) To operate at all times in accordance with its objects, rules, Constitution and regulations of the Society.
- (b) To properly carry out such functions as may from time to time be delegated to it by the Board or Management Council.
- (c) Promote the interests of the Society within the area served by the Branch in such ways as from time to time are directed by the Board or Management Council (as the case may be) or as the Branch Committee shall consider appropriate.
- (d) To comply with all relevant statutes, and legal requirements and obligations including as to the keeping of accounts and the filing of returns.
- (e) To encourage the creation of a committee to represent the interests of the Australian Stock Horse Ladies Management Council at Branch level and to facilitate any activities which that committee wishes to undertake in furtherance of its objects.**

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CARRIED

13. CASUAL VACANCIES

Motion 7:

Secret Ballot (count by Paul Heaton & Alana Stephens - PKF Upper Hunter)
Appoint Larry Cutler to fill the SEAMC vacancy as Director until 2026 AGM
For:138 Against:97

CARRIED

Motion 8:

Secret Ballot (count by Paul Heaton & Alana Stephens - PKF Upper Hunter)
Appoint Sam Amey to fill the NSW vacancy as Director until 2025 AGM
For:142 Against:92

CARRIED

Motion 9:

Secret Ballot (count by Paul Heaton & Alana Stephens - PKF Upper Hunter)
Appoint Robert Watchirs to fill the NSW vacancy as Director until the 2026 AGM
For:133 Against:101

CARRIED

14. HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Motion 10:

Honorary Life Membership nomination for Christine Brooker NSW

CARRIED

Motion 11:

Honorary Life Membership nomination for Sally Scott WA

CARRIED

Motion 12:

Honorary Life Membership nomination for Iain Hyde TAS

CARRIED

Motion 13:

Honorary Life Membership nomination for Karen Mori WA

CARRIED

15. MANAGEMENT COUNCIL/ BRANCH REPORTS & WA PRESENTATIONS

- WA Breeder of the Year presented and sponsored by Sally Scott –
Winner:- Patricia Jones, Brookview Stock Horses

- WA Polocrosse and State Management Awards were presented.
- Western Australia Management Council – reported by Geoff Willis
- WA ASHLA – reported by Karen Mickle
- Branch Reports - Great Southern, South West, Mid West, Central
- South East Australia – reported by Larry Cutler for Jane Allen
- ASHLA – reported by Amy Grubb for Jackie Long
- New South Wales – reported by Anne Barnes for Christine Smith
- South Queensland reported by Lorna Fanning for Steven Little
- Northern Australia reported by Jenny Petrich
- Youth Advisory Council reported by Catherine Smith for Breanna Arnold

16. PRESENTATION TO WA DIAMOND, PLATINUM AND GOLD MEMBERS

The following were presented with a certificate and a gift for their ongoing support of the ASHS. Angelika Chalwell, Lesley Smith, Sally Scott, Lance Butcher, Adrian Lester, Karen Mori, Graeme Frusher, Helen Price, Sharlie Morrison, Richard Northcott, Amanda Day, Henry Clifton, Colin Crane, Max Fry, Anna Kennedy, John Prowse, Henry Gratte (acknowledged via Beth Gratte – at Dinner)

17. TRIBUTE TO PASSED MEMBERS

The Tribute to Passed Members was moved to the evening.

18. CRACK OFF

Lance Butcher was presented with a whip and thanked for his service to the Board and was “Cracked Off” by Barry Moore.

19. MEETING CLOSE

At 3.44pm (AWST)