

## STATE COUNCIL MEETING

### THE PONY CLUB ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Meeting of the ‘**Elected Council**’ of the Pony Club Association of New South Wales Incorporated will be held at the Campbelltown Catholic Club, 20-22 Camden Road, Campbelltown (Phillip Room) on Tuesday 29 March 2022 approximately 9.00am after the AGM reliant on current Covid conditions.

#### A G E N D A

1. **OPENING AND APOLOGIES**
2. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**
3. **MINUTES** of Council Meeting held Tuesday 28 November 2021.
4. **CONFIRMATION OF ABOVE MINUTES**
5. **BUSINESS ARISING** out of the above Minutes (other than referred to elsewhere in the agenda).
  - Update of progress of PCA NSW Instructors Scheme – Mrs S Woodhouse
  - PCA NSW Strategic Plan update – State Executive Committee
6. **REPORTS**
  - I. President Report – Mr Gary Hamer
  - II. Executive Recommendations
    - Ratification of Pony Club Australia National Gear Rules
    - Ratification of Pony Club Australia Medical Guidelines
  - III. PCA NSW Office Update  
Treasurer – Mrs Belinda Tink – as per the AGM
  - IV. Chairman of Chief Instructors Committee and Recommendations from the Zone Chief Instructors Meeting – Mrs S Woodhouse
  - V. State Camp Report – Mrs S Woodhouse
  - VI. Other Reports
7. **RATIFICATION** by Council of appointments of Chairman of Chief Instructors Committee and Zone Chief Instructor’s Representative to the Executive.
8. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**
  - i) President
  - ii) Vice President x 2
  - iii) Treasurer
  - iv) Council Representative x 2
9. **CONFIRMATION OF BANK SIGNATORIES**
10. **FIXATION** of Honorariums for 2022

	Present 2021
i) President	\$8,000
ii) Chairman of Chief Instructor	\$8,000
iii) Treasurer	\$7,000
11. **APPLICATIONS to host State Championships –**
12. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

## Motion 1

### Zone 7

#### Current Rule:

*Section 11 Sporting Rules, Clause 14 Races, Flag Racing.*

13. a). At State Championships no horse may be held or accompanied to the starting line or outside assistance given. Penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.

b). All Clubs and Zones will be deemed to have adopted the above Rule 13(a) for the respective Club or Zone fixtures unless a Club or Zone at a properly convened Club or Zone Committee Meeting resolves to permit mounts of children under 13 or such lesser age the Club or Zone elects, to be held at or accompanied to the starting line and that in the event of a child under 13 or such lesser age as the Club or Zone Committee elects, dismounting to pick up a Flag or Cask, such child may be assisted to catch his or her mount and remount.

#### Amend to:

**b). That in the event of a child under 13 years of age dismounting to pick up a Flag or Cask, such child may be assisted to catch his or her mount and remount.**

#### Current Rule:

*Section 11 Sporting Rules, Clause 14 Races, Three Mug Race - Individual.*

10. a. At State Championships no horse may be held or accompanied to the starting line or outside assistance given. Penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.

b. All Clubs and Zones will be deemed to have adopted the above Rule 10(a) for the respective Club or Zone fixtures unless a Club or Zone at a properly convened Club or Zone Committee Meeting resolves to permit mounts of children under 13 or such lesser age the Club or Zone elects to be held at or accompanied to the start of the race, and that in the event of a child under 13 or such lesser age as the Club or Zone Committee elects, dismounting to pick up a Mug or Pole, such a child may be assisted to catch his or her mount and remount.

#### Amend to:

**b) That in the event of a child under 13 years of age dismounting to pick up a Mug or Pole, such child may be assisted to catch his or her mount and remount.**

#### Rationale:

*This is being raised as a safety issue. Younger children often struggle to re-mount their horse without assistance at any time. When you add in the pressure of competing in a sporting event at State Championships this is compounded. In addition to this, horses in the middle of a race are much less likely to stand still while a young child climbs aboard. Holding the horse and assisting the child to remount removes the chances of harm to the child mounting or those in adjoining lanes etc. if the horse takes off.*

## Motion 2

### Zone 25

That the "Tech Stirrup Venice" Safety Stirrup be permitted for use in all disciplines across PCA NSW.

*Rationale: These stirrups are constructed mainly of aluminium and are a similar design to the acceptable Kwik-Out brand, featuring a levered edge which opens when enough pressure is applied, however the Venice stirrup has an added feature that is enabled by a magnet and a spring where it snaps back into place once the pressure is released, thus making it safer than the Kwik-Out version as the Kwik-Out stirrup does not snap back into place, leaving the stirrup in an "open" state which has the potential to be hooked up on gate ways, show jumps, other competitors etc as a riderless horse runs away.*

*They are a comparable in weight, at 570gm per stirrup to conventional stainless-steel stirrups of similar size (516gm) and considerably heavier than Approved Polymer stirrups (190gm). Thus, their ability to leave the foot in an incident is excellent.*



**13. AGENDA ITEMS**

- I. Work Health & Safety
- II. Update of Working with Children Checks

**14. CLUBS NOT FINANCIAL** – list provided on the day.

**15. CORRESPONDENCE** – List to be provided on the day.

**16. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**17. NEXT MEETING DATE (28 March 2023) AND CLOSE MEETING**