

2015 Annual General Meeting - Bemboka Show Society Inc.

Held: 7.00 pm, 30 July 2015 - Bemboka Memorial Hall

Present: Peter Crooks, Margaret Clune, Bruce Cummings, Pat Bateman, Grant Foster, Pip Collins, Duncan McPaul, Karen Alcock, Monnica Smith, Sandra Judge, Andrew Judge, John Went, Neil Charnock.

Apologies: Cheryl Lloyd, Rowan Alcock, Denise Bobbin, Russell Smith, Sally Rowan, Sarah Pizzey

Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 22 July 2014 were reviewed and accepted with no further comments.

Motion: That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.

Moved Bruce Cummings, Seconded Margaret Clune. Agreed.

President's Report: Peter Crooks outlined that as he had been only acting in the position for a couple of months and that in discussion with Bruce Cummings, agreed that the Secretary's Report would cover the activities of the Society over the past 12 months.

Secretary's Report: Tabled (see attached).

Bruce provided a brief summary of the main activities of the year to the meeting.

Bruce also noted that whilst the Committee had already thanked Carol Jay for her efforts as President, that it was appropriate in his role as Secretary to also acknowledge Carol's efforts in commencing the process to better document and outline the administrative processes and activities of the Society. This had provided a sound basis for its ongoing refinement by Bruce.

Motion: That the Secretary's Report be accepted.

Moved Bruce Cummings, Seconded Peter Crooks. Agreed.

Treasurers Report : Tabled (see attached).

Grant provided a brief overview of our finances over the year and our current position.

The major expenditure in 2014-15 was the kitchen renovations at the Showground which cost around \$12,000 in total. This expenditure had mostly come from monies raised from the 2013 and 2014 Horse Rides and Dressage Days. Grant noted that this cost would have been substantially higher without the generous support of the trades' people involved and substantial volunteer labour.

Monies received from the 2015 Show were up on last year and the Dressage Days and Bemboka Horse Ride had all done well.

Grant outlined that he would not continue as Treasurer in 2015-16.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Moved Grant Foster, Seconded Bruce Cummings. Agreed.

The meeting thanked Grant for his work over the past 12 months and particularly for all his efforts in building the new kitchen in the Supper Room.

Bemboka Horse Ride Sub-Committee Report

Karen Alcock gave a brief summary of the 2014 Horse Ride where 74 riders competed and the day was a great success. Preparations are in progress for 2015 Bemboka Horse Ride on 9th of October.

Election of Office Bearers

At the request of the Committee, Peter Crooks acted as Returning Officer for this process.

President' Position: - No nominations had been received by the Secretary, or were forthcoming from the floor of the meeting.

Peter outlined that the Executive and Committee had discussed that it was perhaps best to leave the President's position vacant as there was currently no one with experience in working on the Committee who was willing to take on the role. Also he noted that he was going on holidays for a couple of months and thus could not act in the position on even a temporary basis.

Nominations were received and all were accepted and agreed for:

- Margaret Clune as Vice President – nominated by Sandra Judge, seconded Bruce Cummings
- Bruce Cummings as Secretary – nominated by Margaret Clune, seconded Pip Collins
- Karen Alcock as Treasurer - nominated Bruce Cummings, seconded Andrew Judge.

Committee Members: Margaret Clune, Bruce Cummings, Peter Crooks, Pat Bateman, Pip Collins, Duncan McPaul, Cheryl Lloyd. Agreed.

John Went, given his previous involvement in the Society, was asked if he would also be willing to join the Committee pending his membership applications had been formally accepted by the Society.

Signatories in 2015-16: Margaret Clune, Bruce Cummings, Karen Alcock. Agreed.

Financial Correspondence: All financial correspondence and bank statements to be addressed to Treasurer, Bemboka Show Society Inc., PO Box 3023 BEMBOKA, NSW 2550. Agreed.

Public Officer: Peter Crooks agreed to continue this role. Agreed.

Auditor: Pip Collin had spoken to Martin Fox and he was willing to continue as Auditor. Agreed.

General Business

Bruce outlined that whilst in recent years General Business items had not been raised at the Annual General Meetings, it was common practice elsewhere and it represented a good opportunity for members to flag items for discussion prior to the meetings for inclusion on the Agenda. He had sought items for discussion from the membership three weeks prior to the meeting but had not received

any. The Committee had however agreed at their July meeting that the issue of Bemboka Show Society membership and Dressage Day competitions should be discussed at the meeting.

Regulations for Equestrian Australia Sanctioned Dressage Events

Pip Collins tabled a short paper (attached) and outlined that she had followed up on the Equestrian Australia regulation that for insurance purposes the participants in EA sanctioned dressage competitions run by an EA accredited organisation should be members of that organisation, unless they were existing EA members.

After a brief discussion it was agreed that Bemboka Show Society should try to comply with this regulation and that competitors be asked to join the Society if they were not EA members as many were.

Motion: That competitors at Bemboka Dressage Days in November 2015 and June 2016 be required to join the Bemboka Show Society Inc. prior to competition, unless they are already members of Equestrian Australia. This requirement will be reviewed at the 2016 Annual General Meeting.

Moved Pip Collins, Seconded Peter Crooks. Agreed.

Meeting concluded at 7.58 pm.

BEMBOKA SHOW SOCIETY INC.

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2014-2015

The 2015 Annual Bemboka Show was a great success and the Show was officially opened by our Lord Mayor Michael Britten. Out of respect to the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings in 1915 the Lord Mayor was given a military horse escort to the opening ceremony.

Attendance at the Show was up on last year with:

- 103 pensioners
- 77 students
- 369 adults and
- more than 70 kids enjoying the day.

As always there was a great atmosphere on the day and the weather was pleasant.

One big change that happened this year was insisting that late entries would not be accepted into the Pavilion on Show Day. Thankfully exhibitors cooperated and thus the Stewards Sheets were printed on Friday which greatly helped in setting up the Pavilion on Saturday and removed much of the chaos which had occurred previously on show morning.

Pavilion

The Pavilion was full this year and it was terrific having the kid's paintings back in the building. Cake numbers were about average, but cooking entries were down a bit. There were however lots of junior vegetables in response from the interest generated at school through the School Garden's Program and the flowers displays were outstanding this year. Many thanks to all the stewards and judges who helped out in the Pavilion on Show Day.

Cheese Pavilion

Interest continues to grow each year in the cheese exhibits and competition is strong. Many thanks to Carol Wilman for once again judging the exhibits and also explaining the judging process. A special thanks is owed to Patrick Reubinson who, with some timely help from others, was pivotal to the success of the day in spite of suffering a long period of illness prior to the Show.

Supper Room

Through the huge efforts of Grant Foster and Carol Jay over the year installing the new kitchen, it was functional for Show Day. This allowed a different arrangement of food stalls this year, with the Lion's Club, Bemboka School P&C and Show Society stalls all located in the Supper Room. Funds for the kitchen upgrade largely came from the successful staging of the Bemboka Horse Ride

over the past two years. The Society is grateful to Carol and Grant for making this all happen and the generous support of Ken Armitage, Phil Burnett and Rod Camilleri.

Poultry Pavilion

Numbers were up again this year with 98 birds and once again competition was strong between exhibitors. Many thanks to Jim Fletcher our guest Poultry Judge and thanks also to Matt and Tash Bonomi for both stewarding and helping us set up the Pavilion on Show Day. I would like to also thank Russell Smith for helping in the urgent repairs needed to the Poultry cages prior to the Show.

Cattle

Numbers were down somewhat on last year, but competition was nonetheless strong. Many thanks to Michael Green and his son Joe from Cooma for judging on the day and the stewards who helped make it all happen.

Arena

Horse numbers were up 10% on last year to 101 horses – 83 adults and 51 children. The level of professionalism in staging the events continues to improve each year, and even the parking of trucks and floats was orderly. Through Pip Collin's persistence compliance in the supply of Property Information Code (PIC) numbers for horse competitors is finally improving.

Show jumping numbers were down this year with some competitors not stopping at Bemboka on the way back from the Cooma Show, largely because our prize money for the high end events are now low compared to other Shows. This will be addressed in the 2016 Show if additional sponsorship can be found.

Trade Stalls

Trade stall numbers were down slightly on last year with a few last minute withdrawals. Mervyn Dorrrough once again helped Bruce lay out the arrangement of Trade Stalls on Saturday. He and Liz also made up a display on local producers for the BSS gazebo which they are keen to expand in 2016.

Wood Chop and Historic Machinery Displays

The wood chop demonstration and display of old machinery used in timber cutting and woodwork provided by the Bega and District Historic Machinery Club was a great success and the wood chop will be held once again in 2016.

Kids Activities

This year marked a change in organisation for these activities. It worked really well having young adult volunteers running the activities on the day and the kids responded well to their supervision.

Traffic Control

Peter Crooks rose to the challenge in coordinating this and things went relatively smoothly. We are hoping to improve signage next year. Many thanks to our front gate and parking volunteers as it is not an easy task and is somewhat distant from other activities.

2015 Show Sponsorship

Sponsorship was a challenge last year with support from two major sponsors, Essential Energy and Southern Phone no longer being available. The generous support of Schmidt Quarries and private donations helped offset this deficient.

I would also like to thank the many businesses and individuals who provided financial assistance towards the staging of the 2015 Show. Roger Jackson in particular deserves a special mention for his generous support and assistance in printing the Show Schedules this year.

Other Activities

The successful staging of 2014 Winter and Spring and 2015 Winter Dressage Events at the Bemboka Showgrounds which are now well supported. Through the tireless efforts of Pip Collins and others, the level of professionalism in the layout and operation of equestrian events continues to increase.

The 2014 Bemboka Horse Ride was also a great success and received very positive feedback once again. See the Horse Ride Sub-Committee Report for more details.

Corporate Issues

The Committee negotiated temporary licence agreements with the Bemboka Showground Trust for the staging of both the 2015 Bemboka Show and Dressage Days to better outline the legal basis for its use of the Showground and its facilities. The charges for Showground use have increased.

Memberships of the Society continue to grow slowly and recently we had a mail drop seeking new members.

Finally, I would like to thank Margaret Clune in particular for her patience, and always friendly and considered advice. I would like to thank also both Roy Holdsworth and Kevin Maddern for their generous help in preparing the Showgrounds for prior to the 2015 Show.

Bruce Cummings
29st July 2015.

General Business: Regulations for Equestrian Australia Sanctioned Dressage Days

Background

Dressage is a French word that means progressive training. It challenges people intellectually as well as being physically demanding and is one of the few sports in which men and women compete equally. There is no age barrier. As well as young riders there are many successful dressage riders who are mothers, fathers and grandparents.

In a dressage competition, horses are judged on how they perform a series of set movements. Each movement is marked out of 10. '10' means excellent whilst at the other end of the scale '0' means practically none of the movement was performed.

Until recently there were two categories of competition in NSW, **Official** whereby competitors were required to be members of Equestrian Australia (EA) & results were sent to the EA office as a record of the 11 stages of competition. These stages range from Preparatory (beginners) right up to Grand Prix (which is performed at the Olympics) & **Associate** which was designed for those who did not wish to have an official record of their results. Both categories catered for all 11 stages of competition. Bemboka Show Society is affiliated with EA so we can legally adopt all rulings regarding dressage and the other EA sport of Showjumping at the annual show.

New dressage rulings have been adopted Australia wide in an attempt to nationalise and standardise the sport. There are now four categories of competition. **Official Competitive** (for all 11 stages), **Official Participant** (3 beginning stages only), **Restricted** (all 11 stages) and **Unrestricted** (3 beginning stages only). The implications for Bemboka Show Society is that a restricted rider is required to be a member of the organising body or Equestrian Australia (EA). Any rider that wishes to ride above the first 3 stages but not officially is affected by this new ruling. This affects about a fifth of our current dressage supporters who are advancing above the first 3 stages.

Implications for BSS

I would like to suggest that all dressage entrants at the Bemboka Dressage events now need to also pay the yearly BSS membership of \$10 which enables

them to attend all dressage competitions run by BSS and also entry to the annual Bemboka Show. I have discussed this option with Lesley Gillis the Southern Regional Dressage representative with Dressage New South Wales and she concurs that this would be the best option for BSS to comply with the new rules. To not provide this option would mean that BSS would not be adhering to the new rules and would no longer be able to run Dressage competitions for non EA members. 95% of the entrants at the Bemboka Dressage events would not be EA members.

Pip Collins
29th July 2015

Bemboka Show Society Inc.
Revenue Statement for year to 30/6/2015

INCOME	\$ 25,136.45
Membership	\$ 52.00
Member Gate	\$ 208.00
Sponsorship	\$ 4,115.00
Donations	\$ 111.60
Street Stalls	\$ 1,372.60
Kitchen	\$ 350.95
Equestrian	\$ 6,255.00
Catering	\$ 2,404.60
Raffle	\$ 818.00
Produce	\$ 2,925.30
Show Day	\$ 6,523.40
Other Income	\$ 2,421.56
Bank Interest	\$ 2,421.56
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 27,558.01
Less Expenditure	\$ 31,682.40
Administration	\$ 1,269.22
Rent	\$ 116.50
Ground maint.	\$ 751.31
Catering	\$ 2,843.04
Web page	\$ 338.00
Internet	\$ 267.68
Equipment	\$ 230.92
Show Day	\$ 8,066.07
Kitchen	\$ 12,019.30
Insurance	\$ 1,883.96
Judges' Expenses	\$ 1,111.00
Entertainment	\$ 600.00
Produce	\$ 2,185.40
Other Expenditure	\$ 15.50
Bank fees	\$ 15.50
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ 31,697.90
Net for year	-\$ 4,139.89

**Balance sheet for Bemboka Show Society Inc.
as at 30 June 2015**

Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/2014	\$ 41,819.98
Income	\$ <u>27,558.01</u>
	\$ 69,377.99
Less Expenditure	\$ <u>31,697.90</u>
Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/2015	\$ 37,680.09
NET ASSETS	
Balance per Statement as at 30/6/2015	\$ 2,735.72
<u>Equestrian A/c</u> as at 30/6/2015	\$ 1,948.62
Account 100033407	
Balance as at 30 June 2015	\$ 10,000.00
Account 100012513	
Balance as at 30 June 2015	\$ 10,000.00
Account 100026625	10,600.00
Balance as at 30 June 2014	
Banquet Account	\$ 2,395.75
Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/2015	
TOTAL MONEY ASSETS	<u>\$ 37,680.09</u>
Property —	\$ 3,500.00
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 41,180.09</u>

Bemboka Show Society Inc.
General Account Number 00173738
Notes to and forming part of Financial Statements for year to 30/6/2015
General Working Account

INCOME		\$ 18,537.53
Membership	\$ 52.00	
Member Gate	\$ 208.00	
Sponsorship	\$ 4,115.00	
Donations	\$ 111.60	
Street Stalls	\$ 1,372.60	
Kitchen	\$ 6,154.93	
Show Day	\$ 6,523.40	
Other Income		\$ 541.14
Bank Interest	\$ 421.14	
sale of display stand	\$ 120.00	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 19,078.67
Less Expenditure		\$ 22,030.88
Administration	\$ 1,269.22	
Rent	\$ 116.50	
Web page	\$ 338.00	
Internet	\$ 267.68	
Show Day	\$ 8,066.07	
Kitchen	\$ 11,189.45	
Insurance	\$ 783.96	
Other Expenditure		\$ 15.50
Bank fees	\$ 15.50	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		\$ 22,046.38
Net for year	-\$	2,967.71

Bemboka Show Society Inc.
Notes to and forming part of Financial Statements for year to 30/6/2015
General Working Account and Banquet Accounts

Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/2014		\$ 5,703.43
Income		\$ 19,078.67
		\$ 24,782.10
Less Expenditure		\$ 146.38
Net		\$ 2,735.72
Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/2015		\$ 2,735.72
Account 100033407		
Balance as at 30 June 2014		\$ 10,000.00
T'fer from 100012513		\$ 11,378.16
Interest to 100011388		-\$ 1,378.16
		\$ 10,000.00
Account 100012513		
Balance as at 30 June 2014		\$ 10,000.00
Tier from 100026793		\$ 10,622.26
Interest to 100011388		-\$ 622.26
		\$ 10,000.00
Account 100026625		
Balance as at 30 June 2014		\$ 10,600.00
Interest		\$ 10,879.03
Interest to 00173738		-\$
		\$ 10,600.00
Banquet Account		
Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/2014		\$ 395.27
Interest Transferred from A/c 100012513		\$ 1,378.16
Interest Transferred from A/c 100026793		\$ 622.26
Interest		<u>0.06</u>
		\$ 2,395.75

Bemboka Show Society Inc.
Equestrian Account Number 100015860

Notes to and forming part of Financial Statements for year to 30/6/2015
Summary of Income and Expenditure of the accounts within Equestrian A/c

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>HORSE RIDE</u>	<u>DRESSAGE</u>	<u>GRANT</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Riders	\$	3,655.00	\$ 2,600.00			\$ 6,255.00
Non-Riders	\$	320.00				\$ 320.00
Diners only	\$	544.00				\$ 544.00
Catering			\$ 1,540.60			\$ 1,540.60
Stubby Holders	\$	1,396.80				\$ 1,396.80
EB Raffle	\$	818.00				\$ 818.00
Polo Shirt	\$	1,043.50				\$ 1,043.50
Jacket	\$	290.00				\$ 290.00
Caps	\$	75.00				\$ 75.00
Grant						
Interest						
TOTAL INCOME	\$	8,142.30	\$ 4,140.60	\$ -	-	\$ 12,282.90
EXPENDITURE						
NSW Membership						
NSW Affiliation						
Catering		2,050.04	-\$ 793.00			2,843.04
Judges' Expenses			-\$ 1,111.00			1,111.00
Band		600.00				600.00
Stubby Holders		850.00				850.00
EB Raffle	\$					
Polo Shirt		1,335.40				1,335.40
Jacket	\$	-				
Caps	\$	-				
Insurance		1,100.00				1,100.00
Grant				\$ 230.92		230.92
Showground Exp.			-\$ 168.00			168.00
Miscellaneous Exp.	\$	203.45	-\$ 379.86			583.31
Kitchen A/c	\$	5,068.65	-\$ 1,579.85			6,648.50
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$	11,207.54	-\$ 4,031.71	\$ 230.92	\$ -	\$ 15,470.17
DIFFERENCE	-\$	3,065.24	\$ 108.89	-\$ 230.92	\$ -	-\$ 3,187.27

Bemboka Show Society Inc.
Notes to and forming part of Financial Statements for year to 30/6/2015
Equestrian Account

Balance Sheet

Income		\$ 12,282.90	
Dressage	\$ 4,140.60		
Trail Ride	\$ 8,142.30		
Total Income		\$ 12,282.90	
Less Expenditure		\$ 15,470.17	
	Dressage \$ 2,451.86		
	Trail Ride \$ 6,138.89		
	Grant \$ 230.92	-\$ 3,187.27	
Cash book Balance as at 30 June 2014		\$ 5,135.89	
Income		<u>\$ 12,282.90</u>	
			\$ 17,418.79
Less Expenditure		<u>\$ 15,470.17</u>	
Cash book Balance as at 30 June 2015		\$ 1,948.62	
Balance per Bank Statement of 30 June 2015			