



Equestrian Australia Carriage Driving Committee - UPDATE

Meeting held: 21 March 2019

Below a summary of proceedings of the EACDC meeting:

The following items were discussed at the meeting of the Equestrian Australia Carriage Driving Committee held 21st March 2019.

The committee welcomed Karen Myers as the new EA Committee Liaison Manager.

Business arising from previous minutes

Support Membership

Awaiting Board response on the proposal re Supporter/Participant Membership and able to act as an on-carriage backstepper/groom.

Charter Review

The committee have booked a meeting to review the EA Charter.

Pathways

Several working documents were discussed

- Club Activity days
- Participation
- Competitor

Equally all of the above to fit within the EA membership structure. The committee agreed the pathways are required for the development of the sport.

Other programs like the Ready Set Trot and Sporting Schools were discussed with the possible introduction by EA of Ready Set Drive following along the lines of Ready Set Vault.

The committee agreed the programs were a good initiative to promote Driving at the grass roots. The committee are seeking further information (to implement the programs) in order to fully support the programs.

Election of Chair

The new EACDC chair was elected, Jessica Meredith.

Accreditation of Officials

The committee agreed that the EA CD Officials Syllabus needs to be updated. Equally looking how the syllabus can help to encourage a cross over of other EA discipline officials, that will benefit competitors and events.

A reminder that all EA Driving Officials applications need to be into Amy McGregor, at EA before 31st March.

Correspondence

All correspondence has been addressed.

Summary minutes of 2018

All summaries of minutes for 2018 are posted on the EA website.

Risk Assessments

Discussion took place around the importance for all EA affiliated clubs to fill out a Gow-Gates Risk Assessment form prior to conducting any activity. These documents need to be kept on file within the club or completed via the Gow Gates app.

Dressage Tests

The committee recognizes a need to update current Driving Dressage tests. The working group are in the current stages of drafting 3 new Novice base tests.

Rules

The committee addressed that the EA Driving rules book needs to be updated and equally user friendly for all within the sport.

Meetings

All meeting dates have been set for the year including subjects, so the committee can meet all deadlines needed. On a basis of every 2 months.

Budget

The committee have outlined to the board their budget for 19/20

High Performance

The committee have agreed to re call for EOI's for the CD Selection Panel. At current time the present committee are still in office until positions are filled.

Strategic Plan

The committee are drafting up a strategic plan for CD.

Name Change

The committee is seeking from the board to remove Carriage from all wording of Carriage Driving, to bring it in line with the FEI, therefore becoming Driving in all references.

Committee Brief

Update all committee details on the EA website.

Next meeting April 11th