

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Oceania Affiliate Council Meeting Minutes
Conference Call
July 11, 2024

Approved September 5, 2024

Members Present: Pam Watson, Ed Smith, Wayne Hinder, Lyndon Hale, Glenn Winsor, Jill Hunter, Oliver Reinhardt, Tim Shelley, Elise Reuter, Todd McCormick

Guests Present:

Members Not Present:

Staff Present: Samantha Oldfield

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm/19:02 AEST/4:02am CST

Welcome to New Council Representatives and Billy Smith

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

A motion is made to approve the previous meeting minutes. The motion is seconded. All are in favor.

Professional, Non Pro, and Volunteer of the Year Award

The Council review the presented professional, non pro and volunteer of the year nominee application. A motion is made to accept the application to be posted online on the NRHA affiliate page to go into effect for 2024. This motion is seconded and passes unanimously. Samantha Oldfield will create a cover page to explain the nomination process.

2025 NRHA Oceania Restricted Eligibility Policy

A motion is made to accept the presented NRHA Oceania Restricted Eligibility policy. This motion is seconded, and all are in favor.

Developing Affiliate Application Support

The Council is presented a submitted developing affiliate application for their review and support. A motion is made to support the Southern Queensland Sliders developing affiliate application. This motion is seconded, and all are in favor.

IAP Fund Requests

The Council review the two submitted fund requests.

A motion is made to approve the \$600 fund request for the Victorian Reining Horse Association in support of the creation of a website for the Oceania Affiliate Championship that will continue from one event to the next. The motion is seconded and passes unanimously.

A motion is made to approve \$1,000 from the fund to be utilized towards the Oceania Affiliate Championship judge cost. The Council discusses the importance of bringing international judges over for the event, and the cost associated. The Council make no further movement towards the motion due to the need for further discussion. The Council is asked to discuss the topic with their affiliate members, and Victorian Reining Horse Association will discuss their budget once again and will come back with an updated proposal.

Board of Director Oceania Seat Nominations

Samantha Oldfield informs the Council of the nomination process for the NRHA Oceania region representation on the NRHA Board of Directors. The nomination process is now open until August 1st.

Update from Each Affiliate

SA RHA: Their implemented graduation program for green reiners to start showing NRHA is going well. They have recently had a Level D event both in the north and the south, and they will be hosting a symposium for their members on proper hoof care. In September they will have an NRHA/AQHA event in the north and their Cape Summer Classic in the south.

Orana: Are experiencing an ongoing wet season which caused an event cancellation; however they are looking forward to their event in September and recently had a successful clinic.

GVRHA: Have been hosting practice nights. The Water Wheel prize money is being sent out this week. They are hosting the last qualifier event for the Oceania Affiliate Championship in August and are working with VRHA on the OAC.

CWRA: Had AGM last weekend and a new president was brought in. They will have a clinic in October and a show in November which will run right before Indian Ocean runs the state championship.

Calliope: Had a successful ribbon show where over half that participated were new members. They are searching for two youth horses for two of the new members. The Queensland state championship is coming up at the end of the month.

NSWRHA: They hosted their largest state show last week with 250 entries, which is 100 entries up from last year's event. They are focusing strongly on community.

JRHA: Just completed the first Japanese judge's applicant seminar and school, which included auditors and 12 testing individuals. The judge committee member was fantastic in teaching. They are looking forward to their fall event in October. They also recently completed new Board elections.

IORHA: Had their first full affiliate event followed by a 2-day clinic. Postponed their Western Australia Affiliate Championship to a dryer time of year.

VRHA: Have a show planned in August and several introduction to reining days which have had a good response from locals currently outside of the reining community. Are working on the Oceania Affiliate Championship and looking forward to good attendance.

SARHA: Are experiencing a particularly wet season but are planning on hosting a clinic in September.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on September 5th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm/ 20:39 AEST- 5:39am CST