

## **MINUTES OF 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of the N.Z. Standardbred Breeders Association Incorporated (The Association) was held at Spectators, Addington Raceway, Jack Hinton Drive, Christchurch on Thursday 7th November 2019 commencing at 7.15pm.

**PRESENT:** Alan Rose, Gay and Tony Abell, Neville Tilsley, Brian West, Rob Courtney, Graham Rugg, Hazel van Opzeeland, Ged Mooar, Jenny Butt, Natalie Gameson, Hamish Scott, Sara Famularo, Pete Smith, Greg Crawford, Noel Kennard, Colin Hair, Don Bates, Grant Beckett, Linda Fallow, Justice Smith, Brenda and Nigel Armstrong, Brad Reid and John Mooney

APOLOGIES: Pauline and Michael Ward, Christine and Phil Smith, Peter Smith, Winky Foley, John Hartnell, Reg Caldow, Bruce Small, Aidan Johnstone, Pip Nairn, Adrienne and Dave Shadbolt, Tony Smith, Alf and Jenny Wightman, Geoff Stevenson, Cedric Coll, Jo Townsend, Paul Renwick, Ivan and Ann Behrnes, Marg and Peter Fenwick, Katrina and John Price, Neil and Joan Rich, Karen and Ken Breckon, Cleland Murdoch, Cathie Shaw, Jay Abernathy Robb Carr, Rebecca Mooney, Robyn and Nick Boyle and Wendy Kennard

### WELCOME

Chairman John Mooney welcomed the 25 members and opened the meeting. John noted that for the first time the Association had produced and circulated to all members a comprehensive annual report with detailed financial statements

## **MINUTES OF 2018 AGM**

The Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting held on 31 July 2019 were confirmed. Moved John Mooney, Seconded Greg Crawford

# **CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT**

John spoke to his printed Annual Report. This was John's last term as Chair of the Association. He particularly mentioned his thanks to Rebecca and Charlotte Mooney for their support over the years, together with Kiely Buttell, Brad Reid, Colin Hair, Edward Rennell and John Allen.

He discussed the need for industry unity to implement the Messara Report, recent developments in GST and income tax implementation, the importance of front-footing animal welfare issues and that the association was in a good financial situation. He then briefly covered the major topics in the Executive Manager's Report. In particular he mentioned the Association's proposals to promote increases in fillies and mares racing, especially trotting Group race opportunities, and also new races and series for NZ-bred stallion progeny.

The annual report was accepted by the meeting. Moved John Mooney, Seconded Greg Crawford

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# **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

John spoke briefly to the accounts. He noted that it was highly likely that the IRD penalties discuss at the 2018 AGM would be remitted by the IRD. There were no questions on the accounts.

John Mooney moved and Colin Hair seconded that the 2019 audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2019 be received and approved.

## **AUDITOR**

David Emerson was reappointed as auditor.

Moved John Mooney, Seconded Greg Crawford

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The chair opened the floor to a general discussion:

- Neville Tilsley suggested that HRNZ and the Breeders should have focus groups and brainstorming sessions to seek solutions from industry participants.
- Greg Crawford said more should be done to increase breeding numbers.
- Rob Courtney followed asking how the current season was going. Ged Mooar responded saying things seem to be holding up but it was always hard to sell the lower priced NZ-bred stallions
- John spoke briefly about the NZSBA model that predicts the number of horses and what can be done to keep the current level of racing with the drop of mares bred.
   This includes getting more fillies to the races, and horses racing more frequently.

# The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Members were invited to stay for refreshments. John also extended an invitation to those present to attend the Cup Eve function on Monday 11 November.

John Mooney

Chair