

v VICTORIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS' ASSOCIATION INC.

STATE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA/MINUTES

Date 28th August, 2024

Time 7pm

Location Teams

1. WELCOME BY PRESIDENT

2. PRESENT:

Paul Nugent. Shannon Decker. Nicole Porter. Simon Thomas. Donna Nicholas.
Sheree Bishop: 7.13pm Sioux Reid: 7.20pm

3. APOLOGIES

Russell Gillingham. Sandy Little.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Conflict of Interest register was confirmed

Committee Member	Point of Conflict	Reason
Paul Nugent	Bek Williamson (point score officer) Lancefield Ride	Personal Relationship Ride Organiser
Sandy Little	Bronwyn Cuthbertson, Damien Little	Personal Relationship
Sheree Bishop	Smythesdale Ride	Ride Organiser
Sioux Reid	Moyston Ride	Ride Organiser

5. VISITORS: NONE

6. MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD ON 31ST JULY AND 7TH AUGUST, 2024

6.1 Amendments: None

6.2 Adoption

Motion No.(1) Aug 24: That the minutes from the meeting of 31st July & 7th August be adopted.

Moved: Donna Nicholas

Seconded: Nicole Porter

Carried: Yes

6.3 Business Arising: None

6.4 Action List

7. RATIFICATION OF ONLINE MOTIONS

Description	Yes	No	Abstain	Non Vote	
Request from SAERA (Jill Bourton) to dual affiliate Monarto Muster 14 – 15 th September. Distances of 120/60 be accepted. Moved: Nicole Porter Seconded: Sioux Reid	1	8			9
Request from Smythesdale ride organiser that distances be changed to 80/40/20 no elevators be accepted. Moved: Nicole Porter Seconded: Sioux Reid	8		1		9
Ride application received for Snake Valley Dash to run on the weekend 15th/16th march 2025 with distances of 80,60 elevated, 20 and 5km on the sunday, be accepted. Moved: Nicole Porter. Seconded: Shannon Decker	9				9
Ride application from Louise Mackey for Eldorado 2025 Season Step-In on 1st/2nd March with following distances Saturday 40,20,10,5 Sunday 40,20,10 be accepted. Moved: Nicole Porter Seconded: Donna Nicholas	9				9
Ride application received from Naomi MGaffin for Eldorado 2025 on 19th/20th July 2025 with distances of 80,40,20 sunday be accepted. Moved: Nicole Porter Seconded: Donna Nicholas	9				9

RATIFICATION OF ONLINE MOTIONS

Motion No.(2): Aug 24 That the ratification of the online motions be adopted.

Moved: Nicole Porter

Seconded Donna Nicholas

Carried: Yes

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Inwards Correspondence

Date	From	Details
31/7/24	Donna Robertson	Trailer for Toongabbie FWD - SMC
1/8/24	Kim Moir	Horse Catastrophe from June 1 st at Inglewood FWD - SMC
2/8/24	Kim Moir	Horse Catastrophe Inglewood AERA Horse Welfare Sub-committee Report FWD - SMC
7/8/24	Kim Moir	Articles for TQ Book for TQ24 FWD - SMC
7/8/24	Nicole Kernot	AERA Eligibility for Uni Sports Support – Responded.
10/8/24	Bronwyn Cuthbertson	Feedback re: Grant requests. FWD - SMC
14/8/24	Kim Moir	TQ Yearbook Contents FWD - SMC

17/8/24	Kim Moir	Nomination of VERA Member & horses for Hall of Fame FWD-SMC
17/8/24	Kim Moir	AERA Eligibility for Uni Sports Support. Nicole Kernot request
18/8/24	Sandy Little	Ararat Ride Report
19/8/24	Sioux Reid	TQ 24 Writeup for Magazine FWD - SMC
19/8/24	Renee Henry	Ride Application – Snake Valley – March 25
21/8/24	Tina Manousaki	Re: Acceptance of Sue Parson write up for hall of fame induction
22/8/24	Kim Moir	Requirements for article on Sue Parsons
23/8/24	Tina Manousaki	Write up for Sue Parson for the hall of fame.
26/8/24	Donna Robertson	Re: Chief Steward for Toongabbie. FWD - SMC

8.2 Outwards Correspondence

Date	To	Details
6/8/24	Bronwyn Cutherbertson	Re: SMC request ideas for Grants.
6/8/24	Melissa Bright	Re: Vera sponsorship for TQ24
6/8/24	Jen Green	Re: TQ Teams and request for Traffic Management person
7/8/24	Mark Gabb	Ratified minutes from 12 th & 20 th June for website.
8/8/24	Nicole Kernot	Response to AERA Eligibility.
8/8/24	Donna Robertson	Trailer availability after Ararat.
8/8/24	Robyn Albers	Rules to be posted on facebook and website.
8/8/24	All Members	TQ24 Team Nomination Forms.
17/8/24	Mark Gabb/Jen Green	Draft minutes from 31 st July & 7 th August, 2024.
19/8/24	Linda Tanian	Sue Parson Induction to AERA Hall of fame.
20/8/24	Tina Manousaki	Sue Parson Induction to AERA Hall of Fame.
20/8/24	Jen Green	Getting Fit for a 40.
21/8/24	Kim Moir	Re: Sue Parson writeup, what is required.
22/8/24	Tim Manousaki	Fwd from Kim Moir requirements for write up Sue Parsons
26/8/24	Brenda Hughes	Re: Book request.
26/8/24	Renee Henry	Acceptance of Snake Valley Ride March 2025
26/8/24	Kim Moir	Write from Tina Manousaki for Sue Parsons
26/8/24	Wendy Riha	Brekka Botha clearance letter to be able to ride

- **Motion No (3) Aug 24 Motion that correspondence has been received.**
Moved: Donna Nicholas
Seconded: Sioux Reid
Carried: Yes

9. REPORTS

9.1 President – Paul Nugent

9.2 Treasurer -Sheree Bishop

Incoming Accounts

Name	Details	Amount
Narelle Cribb	State Championship 2024	\$1145.00
AERA	Invoice No: 2219	\$360.00
AERA	Invoice No: 2220	\$340.00

- MOTION No (4) Aug:** That the tabled accounts be paid.
Moved: Sheree Bishop

Seconded: Paul Nugent

Abstained: None

Carried: Yes

Motion No (5): Aug: That the Treasurer's Report be received.

Moved: Sheree Bishop

Seconded: Donna Nicholas

Carried: Yes

Attachments: Narelle Cribb

AERA Inv: 2219

AERA Inv: 2220

9.3 Rides – Nicole Porter

GERZ Gadabout at Toongabbie is coming up FAST, please support them and get Noms in as soon as you can!

Smythesdale Ride is not far behind, please note there have been distance changes for this ride, NO elevated distances now, 80, 40, 20, 10km and note these rides are on Saturday because of public holiday on Friday.

We also had a late application which most have probably seen by now (apologies for lack of communication regarding this!), and this is Legendary Cup at Mia Mia, there are some changes happening with this ride, and I will be able to update every one after meeting.

Lots has been happening behind the scenes with contacting ride organisers for next year.

Thank you ride organisers for your patience!

Happy to say we have 3 approved rides already, for next year and quite a few expressions of interest!

The approved rides are on AERAspace and the VERA website now for distances please check there.

Eldorado 2025 Season Step-In – 1st/2nd March (Training Ride)

Snake Valley Dash 15th/16th March (Endurance)

Eldorado in July 19th/20th July (Endurance)

If you are interested in supporting a ride organiser with behind the scenes not just on the day please can you contact me at calendar@vicera.com.au so I can pass on your details!

State Champs 2025 are still up for grabs so please get your expression of interest in by 4th of October so we can get them on the ride calendar asap and riders can 'plan' their year!

Thank you everyone for all of your help and support!

Ride	Chief Steward	Head Vet	Ride Sec
Gerz Gatabout 7/9/24 – 8/9/24	Linda Tanian	Ash Greeves	Mark Gabb
Smythesdale 27/9/24 – 29/9/24	Paul Nugent	Lesley Hawson	
TQ Gold Cup SA 18/10/24			
Dergholm 1/11/24	Linda Tanian	Judy Mulholland, Rory	Mark Gabb

Rides 2025	Chief Steward	Head Vet	Ride Sec
Eldorado Step In 1/3/25 – 2/3/25			
Snake Valley Dash 15/3/25 -16/3/25			
Eldorado 19/7/25 – 20/7/25			

9.4 Assets Officer – Paul Nugent

Inventories have been received for the trailers and are in the process of being completed.

9.5 Horse Welfare Officer – Sandy Little

No report received.

9.6 Logbook Registrar – Bronwyn Cuthbertson

Little happening with logbooks.- I have 20 logbooks/covers/upgrade stickers remaining. This should see the year out.

VERA trailers. I believe I have all the course marking arrows and all the road signs in the trailer returned to me.

Find attached three documents

- Trailer 1 is the one in use and will go to GERZ for their next ride.
- Recommendations for making the trailers more functional and safe to use. I will also have to purchase some new tubs for the arrows, but will wait to see what we work out for tie down.
- AERA order form for new course arrows and vet cards, as we are very low in these. I will forward the AERA order, and this will need to be paid for before they mail out the items.

9.7 Merchandise Officer – Shannon Decker

I will need 4 weeks before I leave for the Quilty to get the merchandise organised.

9.8 Point Score Officer – Bek Williamson

It was refreshing to be able to do my job this month without interference from another aerospace user, which as you know left me upset and angry that my time had been wasted, and my role as the Pointscore Registrar undermined.

I do hope that the person in question has been or will be disciplined, as this is not the way our volunteers should be treated. If this person is unhappy with the way I am carrying out the Pointscore Registrar role, perhaps they might like to contact me personally to discuss this, instead of overriding procedures and validating rides, which is totally outside their remit.

When finalising the Ararat ride, there was a warning flag for Brekkels Botha to state that he was not eligible to ride in the 100km ride as he hadn't done his 2 x 40km rides. I know Brekkels personally and understood that he had to supply a letter from the South African endurance body to state that he is a qualified rider with no current investigations or sanctions against him in order to ride the mini marathon at Mil Lel at Easter 2024. He is therefore eligible to ride in endurance rides here. I contacted him to confirm and to view a copy of the letter, and Brekkels is happy to supply a copy of this letter to VERA in order to have his record updated. I imagine that would go to Wendy Riha, but please confirm so we can ensure his record doesn't flag in future.

9.9 TPR Coordinator – Russell Gillingham

Nothing to report.

9.10 Veterinary Coordinator – Russell Gillingham

Nothing to report.

9.11 Grievance Officer – Kasey Thomas

Nothing to report.

9.12 Governance Sub-committee – Sioux Reid. Russell Gillingham. Donna Nicholas

Nothing to report.

9.13 Webmaster – Mark Gabb

Awaiting instructions for New Website.

9.14 Social Media – Jen Green

Nothing to report

9.15 Membership – Wendy Riha

Membership Type	2023 EOY	2023 YTD	2024 YTD
Adult rider	112	110	116
Junior rider	7	7	4
Associate	2	2	2
Intermediate	6	6	9
Junior Intermediate	0	0	3
Life	3	3	4
TOTAL	130	129	138

9.16 Aera Delegate – Sioux Reid

Nothing to report.

9.17 Honorary Vet – Narelle Cribb

The National Vet Panel will be discussing the fluids situation next week. I will report back to VERA ASAP

I was also chasing fluids costs for Paul Nugent, have been advised by our supplier that there will be a new pricing structure once they are available again.

Hoping to get a guide on how much fluids should be available at a ride from the NVP meeting.

Then I can advise approx. costs to the Committee.

9.18 Bookkeeper - Kerrie Gabb

**13.0 NEXT MEETING: 14th September, 2024 Face to Face
Bull & Mouth Hotel, Maryborough
10am – 4pm**

14.0 MEETING CLOSED:9.30PM