EXHIBITION POULTRY ASSOCIATION OF NSW INC

Minutes of annual general meeting held Saturday 29 January 2022 at 2.00pm at Mittagong RSL Club

Present: Bruce Raines, Lonny Raines, Peter Gooch, Kerry Pearce, Danny Benn, Gerald Farrugia, Heidi Fagan, Dylan Summerell, Melissa Bonnitcha and Janet Doust. Brett Porter was present as an observer.

Apologies: Les Simone, Guy Fahey, Rod Groves, Sonia Green

Meeting opened at 2.10pm.

1. Welcome

President Bruce Raines welcomed all present. Apologies were noted.

2. Minutes of previous AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM held Monday 17 August 2020 were read by the secretary, having previously been circulated to clubs and placed on the website. It was moved Janet Doust, seconded Peter Gooch, that these minutes be accepted. CARRIED

3 Business arising

Seminar program for young people to learn about poultry and judging: Peter Gooch advised COVID restrictions had necessarily brought progress to a halt on this project.

4. President's report

The president read his report which is attached to these minutes. He then moved its acceptance, seconded Danny Benn. CARRIED

5. Secretary's report

The secretary read her report to the meeting and moved that it be accepted as tabled, seconded Bruce Raines. CARRIED. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes.

6 Correspondence

The secretary reported that the majority of correspondence received and sent throughout the year related to club membership and the impact of COVID 19 on insurance.

It was moved Janet Doust, seconded Danny Benn, that the correspondence be accepted. CARRIED.

7 Treasurer's report – 2020/21

The treasurer read her interim report and tabled the profit/loss statement for the 2020/21 financial year. Acceptance of the report was moved by Janet Doust, seconded Heidi Fagan. CARRIED. A copy of the interim report is attached to these minutes. A copy of the profit/loss statement is also attached to these minutes and is posted on the website.

The treasurer also moved, seconded Peter Gooch, that the decision taken by the executive based on a recommendation from Peter Gooch to support Central Coast Poultry Club's attempt to retain rights to use their shed at Wyong racecourse by donating a sum of \$3000 be approved. CARRIED

8 Judges' registrar report

The judges' registrar read his report which is attached to these minutes. Dylan Summerell (waterfowl) and Rowan Vallance (softfeather) were elevated to full status during the year. Claire Blayney is ready to be elevated as soon as she submits her paperwork.

As part of a discussion about how best to encourage individual membership, it was moved Melissa Bonnitcha, seconded Kerry Pearce, that the secretary should send membership forms to clubs to encourage their executive members to join/renew. CARRIED

9 Election of office bearers

The executive vacated their positions and Dylan Summerell took the chair for the election of office bearers. There had been no postal nominations received so nominations were called from the floor. The results of the election are as follows:

POSITION	NOMINEE	NOMINATED BY	SECONDED BY
President	Danny Benn	Janet Doust	Heidi Fagan
Vice president	Peter Gooch	Bruce Raines	Lonny Raines
Vice president	Guy Fahey	Janet Doust	Peter Gooch
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Secretary	Janet Doust	Heidi Fagan	Melissa Bonnitcha
Treasurer	Janet Doust	Danny Benn	Heidi Fagan
Judges' registrar	Kerry Pearce	Janet Doust	Gerald Farrugia
Committee	Dylan Summerell	Gerald Farrugia	Kerry Pearce
	Gerald Farrugia	Janet Doust	Heidi Fagan
	Heidi Fagan	Gerald Farrugia	Danny Benn

10 Delegates to ESPA

It was agreed that the delegates would continue to be the president and secretary until further notice.

11 Honorariums 2020/21

The treasurer explained the history of paying honorariums to the president and secretary and reported that they had not been paid in the past two years. It was agreed that there was no longer a requirement as the association now pays for expenses incurred by invoice.

12 Sponsorship for 2022 Royal Easter Show

The secretary/treasurer asked that the meeting confirm the executive's decision that the amounts paid for sponsorship of the 2022 show be the same as 2021. Moved Janet Doust, seconded Gerald Farrugia – motion CARRIED.

13 Other business

- (a) Website: The secretary reported that the website had become hard to locate on the internet due to the need to migrate from Google Classic sites to the new Google Suite. The site was now pointing to Google as the domain hosting site even though it was still hosted by Westnet. It was agreed that Heidi Fagan would investigate ways to build a new website using the current domain name. She and the secretary would work on this together.
- (b) Members who had passed away: Kerry Pearce asked that the meeting have a minute's silence to mark the passing over the past two years of EPA

members Denis Patison, Ray Meredith and Ray Ubrihien, and long term poultry stalwart Ron Kilgour. NOTED.

14 Next meeting

The next annual general meeting will be held on a date and time to be confirmed following discussion by the executive. It should be held in August 2022.

There being no further business, the annual general meeting closed at 3.05pm.

DANNY BENN President JANET DOUST Secretary