



# **Annual General Meeting (AGM) Minutes 2023**

AGM held 1 November 2023 at 7:30pm at the Mansfield Golf Club

## Meeting opened by the president Nicole Nye at 8:40pm

**Present:** Nicole Nye,, Kirsten Lingard, Kerryn Gooding, Sarah Macdonald, Catherine Pentony, Jessica Wheeler, Serryn Tacey, Nicole Bertalli, Alex Parrett

Apologies: Kylie Millard, Lisa Gay, Amanda Lovick, Judy Dixon,

#### Minutes:

Minutes of the previous AGM to be tabled

Moved:Kerryn, Second: Kirsten

### President's report:

What a great year of having no lockdowns or extreme weather conditions and finally being able to run our TTT event on the fifth attempt - YIPPEE!

The very wet winter and autumn certainly worked against us as many riders struggled to find somewhere to ride safely, especially to jump. Due to this, jumping competitions across all HRCAV events struggled to get numbers. Even our TTT was looking like being cancelled. In the end we ended up with 95 competitors which meant we didn't run at a loss but that's mainly due to the wonderful support provided by the sponsors.

I wish to sincerely thank all members who assisted with delivering a successful TTT by providing raffle prizes, ironing rugs, washing showjumps, setting up, packing up, cleaning up, baking and with duties during the actual competition. The feedback from competitors was very positive and that's all due to everyone working together. Well done MADEC.

The Merrijig Rodeo continues to be by far our easiest fundraising event as it only requires no more than 3hrs of members time to just scan entry tickets at the gate. Added bonus is we also get free entry into the rodeo.

Its not a given that MADEC will be invited to provide support (& in return be provided a donation) so when we are, MADEC gratefully accepts.

In the event that MADEC will be invited back to run the gate in 2024, we will be requiring more members' assistance as this will be the only event MADEC will be supporting/running for the year, so please pencil in Sat 9 Mar now.

I encourage any member to come and join in on the monthly committee meetings which are normally held in the 3rd week of the month. Yes there are some formalities that we go through but generally we treat this as a social outing with lots of laughs and lots of horsey talk. Keep an eye out on our FaceBook for the location and time each month.

If any members have ideas for future rallies, instructors or how we deliver rallies, please let one of the committee members know. Any input and feedback is appreciated as it assists us in providing our members with great rallies.

I wish to acknowledge the hard working MADEC committee who not only delivered some fantastic rallies but dealt with all the 'behind the scene' organisational requirements of running a TTT event.

Add successfully applying for funding, project managing and providing volunteer labour for the rebuild of the undercover yards (which look fantastic) all while dealing with the delicate nature of managing the other showground user groups, shows great dedication to the club and I for one really appreciate it. Thank you.

I need to give two big shout outs -

1/ Kerryn Gooding has gone above and beyond by juggling the Treasure role for both MADEC & A&P with dedication and great patience. Kerryn's vision is always to improve the showgrounds facilities for all users and she has done this by providing strategic direction to A&P committee (a very challenging task) and for successfully applying for numerous grants for that purpose. Without Kerryn, I dread to think how bad the state of the venue would be.

2/ Cameron McGann, Mansfield Floats & Trailers is another person who needs to be acknowledged for the generous support he provides our club with. Always willing to provide sponsorship, come and repair broken equipment at short notice. Picks up and returns repaired equipment, often not charging or hugely discounting his service. His generosity goes beyond expectation, and MADEC is very appreciative.

MADEC will be holding its Christmas party /Ride-a-ton on Sunday 03 Dec at Tolmie Sports Ground and we look forward to seeing new and older members enjoying MADEC festivities. More details to come.

Thanks everyone for a great year and happy riding

### **Treasurer's report:**

Financial Statements tabled

Overall, for the 2023 MADEC year from 1-Oct-22 to 30-Sep-23, the Club has made a loss of \$3,251.50 compared to a profit of \$3,778.21 in the previous year. This was as a result of a donation to the A&P Society of \$10,000 towards the new Yards in the Cattle Pavilion. The Committee made the decision to donate to this project as the current yards were not safe and not of a HRCAV standard, which meant we wouldn't have been able to use them for TTT Showjumping.

The funds donated represent savings from our Fundraising efforts, including the running of events and volunteering at the Merrijig Rodeo. We also obtained a flood grant of \$5,000 which was used to level and re gravel the ground under the yards and the A&P Society received a grant of \$10,000 which also contributed to the cost of building the new yards.

Members have asked what we use their membership fees for. The MADEC fee only represents a small portion of the membership fees, being \$60 this year, with the remainder going to HRCAV for their fees and member insurance. The MADEC part of the fee is used to pay for the

Showgrounds hire, insurance of our equipment, the Club HRCAV fee, registration fees, rally lunches, subsiding rallies, and repairs and maintenance on our equipment. Not all these costs are covered by the membership fee so that is why our fundraising is so important. Any new equipment that we purchase also comes from our fundraising efforts. This year we purchased 3PE equipment after getting a grant for just under \$1,000 which equated to half the cost, and we also purchased a trailer to house the equipment.

Considering we didn't run any events this year, it is a good result!

### **Election of Office Bearers and Committee members**

The president stepped down and Catherine Pentony took the chair and declared all positions open.

Nominations:

# **Executive Positions**

President: Nicole Nye
Vice President: Amanda Lovick
Secretary: Kirsten Lingard
Treasurer: Kerryn Gooding

General Committee Members: Judy Dixon, Nicole Bertalli, Alex Parrett, Serryn Tacey

As the number of nominations matched the positions, the nominated members were declared as elected to their positions.

Meeting closed: 9pm