



South Australian Region

MINUTES SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH OF THE AUST ALPACA ASSOCIATION

Held at Yacka Ridge Alpacas Birdwood 18/11/2019 @ 8.25pm

ATTENDANCE : Jolyon Porter, Kerry Porter, Rosalie Brinkworth.

APOLOGIES: Bernard Croese

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST : As previously declared, no changes.

PREVIOUS MINUTES : Not available from previous meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES : Not known.

TREASURERS REPORT: Not discussed as no treasurer yet. AAA to take over accounts. Discussion had about \$121/mth costs for MYOB licence. Some Regions still have individual accounts. New National Treasurer will be sending more information regarding how it will be handled. JP has sent 4 very overdue accounts to Nat Office to be paid immediately.

KP to act as Treasurer and BC to countersign and send to Nat Office for payment – if we go down that path. Still need signatories to be activated. Either BC and JP or KP to cosign but not JP & KP to cosign.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- AAA Promotional pack – badges, brochures and info.
- WFI Insurance – change of client liaison person.
- WFI Trailer Insurance renewal
- RA & HS response to email sent re: Ex-Officio.
- Echunga Field Days – Phone call re this initiative 4-5th April 2020. More info to come thru Approx 100 stands Contact # 0421 963 395
- RA & HS Reminder – re: Ex-Officio nomination required by Nov 11th.
- Members emails and phone calls to express apologies for ARM non attendance

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. Ex-Officio Nomination to RA&HS.
2. ARM reminder to members.

Further Committee Positions – Rosalie volunteered to contact the following people to gauge their interest in joining the committee as we would appreciate more help. S Warland, J Burr, R Goodfellow, S Jennings, K Slater, and a possible Youth group member like Jade De Gregorio.

REGIONAL WEBSITE - Now up and available to members however JP hasn't had time to get into the backend to change committee members info and there is some information that is out of date. A few hours needed to achieve this.

REGIONAL SHOWS : **RAS** : DFC Meeting 7/11/19. All recommendations made in my report to AAASA (presented at 30/9 meeting) and DFC (Meeting 7/11) have been adopted. Main points – Expanded Suri Fleeces classes, LF and M-DF Huacaya halter classes separated. Suri Halter Best of colour and Best Sires Progeny classes to be added. Bump In times changed to afternoon/evening – hopefully this will encourage more breeders to enter. Junior sections to be reviewed in conjunction with Rural Services/AYE/AAASA. eAlpaca to be investigated if can be used to enter show rather than current system. New prize to be offered by UAHS for school based points system for student exhibitors. Industry display was well patronised and over 450 brochures taken over the show period. Many visitors stopping to get

a photo with the alpacas present -very popular. Judge for 2020 needed before 20/2/20 – discuss next meeting.
- RA&HS Councillors Meeting to be held 22/11/19.

No other shows reports presented nor discussed.

PROPOSED EVENTS FOR 2020:

- Shows – Mt Pleasant - 21/3, Colour Classic - ?, RAS-4/9 & Strathalbyn – 5/10.
- Echunga Field Days – 4-5 April 2020. Some details as discussed above.
- Crystal Brook Show - 8th August 2020. Possible Display for AAA with local breeders invited to chat to public and possible sales. Info required and strong interest with new breeders likely.
- Open Farm Days? Do we set a weekend for SA or go with National days? Spend some money on advertising/flyers. Breeders list on opt-in only basis. Map handout/ Gestation chart/ Birthing kit list as new flyers with presentation folder (get costs). Need to find out if weekend has been set yet?
- Comparison Pull up Banner of Alpaca vs Llama for shows and other public events. Committee thought that bringing a live llama to shows was felt to be promoting them over alpacas. Could pose biosecurity risk if they jump fences/panels. Current shows have virtually no room to accommodate extra displays either.
- Shearing Workshop – To be set for either 20 or 27 Sept 2020. Costs Members \$10, Non members \$25.
- Birthing Workshop – Late Feb or early March. Rosalie to chase up with Adrienne Clarke on this.
- Stud Males Day – to be discussed again at another meeting once other events locked in.
- Stewards Workshop – Possible April or May. On a smaller scale. Approx. 6 animals & fleeces. Somewhere relatively flat to use panels and enclosed area to have fleece stewarding practice.
- 1st ORM in southern location possibly Mylor Oval/ Macclesfield. 18/19 Jan or 1or 2 Feb.
- 2nd ORM – June approx and indoors.
- ARM 10/11 Oct or 17/18 Oct most likely dates.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Region Trailer – Offer it to BC's company as no other interest has been garnered to date.
- Insurance Rebate – McLardy & McShane Insurance Brokers – Discuss next meeting – get 15% of brokers rebate as payment to region for policies renewed or taken out.

NEXT MEETING : either Monday 2nd Dec or 16th Dec at YRA (due to KP less mobile) at 7pm. Contact BC to advise.

MEETING CLOSED :- 12.00am