

WELSH PONY AND COB SOCIETY, AFRICA

MINUTES OF THE THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY HELD AT TULBAGH, SOUTH AFRICA, ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2018 AT 19H30

PRESENT AND APOLOGIES:

The Chairman Ismaeel Samuels, Mrs Elizabeth Russell, the President of the Mother Society, from Scotland and members per attendance list circulated
Apologies had been received from Ds Lubbinge and Mr Salasa

IN ATTENDANCE: Gustav Karlsson – Secretary

The Secretary confirmed that a quorum in terms of the Constitution was present and that the meeting was duly constituted.

MINUTES OF THE 2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Proposed by Emraan Domingo and seconded by Glynis Karlsson, the Minutes of the Second Annual General Meeting held on September 29, 2017, were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings.

REPORT BY CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL:

The Chairman remarked that it was a pleasure to be President of this Society especially knowing where we have come from and where we are heading to. What the members of this Society have achieved in the short time since we were formed shows that when everyone works together, there can be amazing achievements. He was proud of the members. We had to discipline ourselves and develop that discipline in our children so that this society can go from strength to strength.

It was imperative for members to support all the functions being organised by the society and that members should give feedback to the Councillors with their proposals. Only in this way would the Society truly represent the interests of its members. This will be to the benefit of the ponies and cobs. The Chairman wished the members an enjoyable final day at the show on Saturday and a safe journey home.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Secretary submitted the Income and Expenditure Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. He mentioned that the Society was in a very healthy position and this was necessary to ensure that a reserve fund was built up for the future. It had to be borne in mind that currently all the administrative costs were being sponsored and a healthy Society would have to be able to pay its administrative costs in the future.

The Financial Accounts were approved.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL:

As not more than the requisite number of nominations had been received to fill the vacancies on Council, no election for Breeders and the Western Cape was necessary. Hence the Council for 2018/19 would be:-

REPRESENTING BREEDERS

Mr Emraan Domingo	Retires in 2020
Mrs Saniya Domingo	Retires in 2019
Mrs Mymona Salie Samuels	Retires in 2020
Mr Ismaeel Samuels	Retires in 2019

REPRESENTING OWNERS

As no nominations had been received, it was agreed that Council co-opt suitable members to serve on Council for the relevant periods to 2019 and 2020

REPRESENTING THE WESTERN CAPE

Mr Ebrahiem Moses	Retires in 2019
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These members are congratulated on their election to Council.

The Chairman reminded members that it was their responsibility to nominate suitable members for election to council at the AGM.

GENERAL:

The Chairman allowed the following matters to be discussed:-

SHOW ETIQUETTE: Members were requested to ensure that they were courteous to other competitors and ensure show etiquette. This was especially so concerning the necessity to not bunch up when entering the show ring, Competitors must not come into the arena trying to make a race of it. Come in at a working trot and leave space for others. Lead by example and in so doing, enjoy the show to its fullest. It was agreed that in the Harness classes, because of the outlay of the arena, entrance will be in an anti-clockwise direction with effect from Saturday.

DRESS CODE: Members have been congratulated by all the show societies and the public on the neat and consistency of the society's dress code. During this year, it is evident that the catchers have also embraced this code and this has evoked favourable comment from all. Congratulations to all members for making this happen so speedily, it is appreciated.

UNDER 5 CLASSES: It was suggested that the under 5 classes be split. Council will consider this suggestion.

As the business of the meeting had been dealt with, the Chairman declared the third Annual General Meeting of the Society closed at 20h15 with thanks for the attendance.

(The AGM was followed by a talk by the Breed Judge, Mrs Elizabeth Russell, on her observations and she also held a lively Question and Answer session. This will be published in the Journal which was, by arrangement with the Publisher, circulated to all paid-up members of the Society)