

TOP END WESTERN HORSE CLUB inc.

GENERAL MEETING

20TH NOVEMBER 2016

MAREEBA RSL CLUB

MEETING OPENED: 11.20 am

PRESENT: As per attendance book

APOLOGIES: Brooke Buckingham, Tiffany Powers, Joelene Pitt, Jase Cooper, Tassanne Hulton, Rosie Browning, Lyn White,

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Annie Cooper of A Touch Of Country Mareeba, has offered for any advertising material to be put in her shop.
- Annie Cooper also has offered if any club member has a Dog Wash Business, they are welcome to use it at the back of the shop
- The topic of Membership packs was discussed. Sandra will put together ideas for packs to be handed out to new members. Annie is going to get shirt prices. If we purchase them from her she will do the printing.
- Sandra spoke on Grants. Michelle Van Ligten has in the past offered to guide Sandra through Grant applications. Sandra suggested to try to obtain a Grant for a Container or trailer to put all club belongings on or in, so everything is together in 1 place. Imogen suggested Tableland Tilt tray Services for Containers.
- Motion put forward by Sandra for the club to become Affiliated with the ABCRA to start Ranch Sorting. This was agreed by all present.
- Sandra spoke on a discussion she had with Hunter @ ABCRA. They are very keen to help us get started in ranch Sorting. We are able to purchase equipment required to run an event from them @ almost cost price. They will also fly up to help us with information & training to get going.
- Leanne brought up that we need to hold the AQHA Approved Youth Camp that was postponed, prior to the end of the financial year. We will look at June school Holidays.
- Lynn Hickmott spoke with regard to the grounds available for the Club to access for holding Cutting Events in Mourilyan. The grounds manager has said that we must have our own insurance as they do not wish to use theirs. Leanne said that we will actually be covered by NCHA & AQHA for our Cutting Events so we have double insurance. Also no events can be held on the grounds in school holidays as it will already be in use. Also there is a large grass area, so it may be possible for the club to hold a 2 day show with Cutting 1 day & Western the next.
- A discussion was had with regard to 2017 dates. Sandra asked if all could put forward dates they are aware of, Sandra would contact relevant western Club for dates. We will endeavour to clash as little as possible & try to work with other clubs so as not to clash.
- A Motion was put forward that we, as a club, do not clash with local clubs. Moved Sandra Buckingham. All present agreed.

- New Signatures for the bank will be Sandra Buckingham (secretary), Linda Lyons(President), Lynn Hickmott(treasurer).
- Leanne let us know that the website will close soon as she has taken her credit details down, as a direct debit had previously been set up. Leanne will transfer the website across to Freewebs so Sandra can keep it updated from there at no cost to the club. Leanne is to be Re-imbursed for the 2 lots of Direct Debit that has been deducted form her account, \$73.90 total. Leanne will forward the invoices to Lynn.
- Sandra asked if we can open a mail box in Mareeba just for the club. It was agreed. It will be opened in the name of Sandra Buckingham(TEWHC) as this will save around \$100.
- Imogen said we should have a look into the Bio security form as it is a bit involved.
- The committee have all joined a group chat on facebook to discuss matters that need to be discussed in between meeting to keep the club actively going forward, and it works well as a think tank for all.
- Linda Lyons will apply for us to obtain a copy of our Constitution. This can be copied and put in the Members pack.
- Sandra asked if we could go back to having End Of Year Hi Point awards again. All agreed this was a great idea. Sandra will put all results on the website.
- Meeting Closed at 12.30pm