RPSBS BOARD MEETING
Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th January, 2017
Venue: Unit 12/40 Bowman St, Richmond NSW 2753

MINUTES

Saturday 7th January, 2017

Meeting commenced at 10.20 am

ATTENDEES:
Michael Smith, Robert Cockram, Christine Gibbons, Alyson Emery, Tania Hay, Renae Dorney, Helen Dohan

APOLOGIES: Eileen Morris

> *Motion: Moved Robert Cockram, seconded Alyson Emery 'That the apology for Eileen Morris for the meeting of RPSBS to be held 7-8 January 2017 be accepted.'' Carried*

The Chairman, Michael Smith declared the meeting open and welcomed Alyson Emery to the Board. Alyson Emery explained to the Board how she became involved in Riding Ponies, a brief background about herself and what she felt she could contribute to the Board.

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE DIRECTORS:

''That Robert Cockram be appointed as Alternate Director for Eileen Morris for the meeting of RPSBS held 7-8 January 2017.'' Carried

''That Renae Dorney be appointed as Alternate Director for Tania Hay for the meeting of RPSBS held 8 January 2017.'' Carried

Christine Gibbons to notify ASIC of Alternate Directors being appointed for the 7-8 January, 2017 Board meeting.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 10-11 SEPTEMBER 2016

''That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of RPSBS held 10-11 September 2016 be approved.'' Carried

Michael Smith noted that a number of items noted in the minutes had not been actioned.

MOTIONS APPROVED SINCE THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING TO BE RATIFIED

''That the RPSBS Ltd. appoint Galpins as the RPSBS Ltd. auditor for an audit of the 2016-2017 financial year." Carried

The states will no longer need to do independent audits as all will be done with the National audit.
Christine Gibbons to advise the previous auditor of the change.

"That the RPSBS Ltd. Board approves the payment of the $1,000 show subsidy to the South Australian sub-committee." Carried

"That a membership needs to be in the name of a person or legal entity eg company. Any changes to a membership shall mean that a new number is required." Carried

"That transfers from a deceased estate transfers to a beneficiary shall be processed for free. Transfers due to a divorce or other legal relationship breakdown shall be processed for half fee. Where a mare is jointly owned and the foal is to be

transferred to one of the owners solely at the time of registration, that transfer shall incur half fees. Applications for transfer of all horses in a membership to an immediate family membership shall incur half fees."

"The colour of the card will change each year, and will be announced by the Board prior to commencement of that year." be removed from the National Newcomer Rules." Carried

"On receipt of the application for show subsidy funding from the WA sub-committee accompanied by the show budget and having responded to my inquiry I would like to recommend to the Board the $1,000 show subsidy be paid to the WA RPSBS Ltd sub-committee." Carried

"That the weekends decided upon become the fixed Board Meeting dates into the future

1. March Meeting: March 11 – 12. Christine will be not be able to make the meeting but will phone in early Saturday afternoon to discuss financial matters with us. At this stage the meeting will be at Richmond with everyone else able to attend. Tania will only be there on the Saturday.
2. AGM: Meeting 17 – 18 June at Airport Best Western Motel, Melbourne. (2.30pm meeting)
3. Meeting 3 –Sept 16 – 17. Helen Dohan advise that she probably needed to attend a wedding on the 16th but would arrange a substitute for the meeting.
4. 2018 Meeting 1- weekend Jan 6 – 7." Carried

''That Tasmania be paid $1,000 being the show subsidy for the 2016-17 year." Carried

SAMMS SYSTEM

Neil Maddock (Incheck System/SAMMS system) arrived to address the Board at 10.30am.

Neil explained that the Financial component of SAMMS was not being utilised at the moment which he felt was resulting in double handling when the financials were entered into MYOB. The SAMMS system effectively maintains a Debtors ledger.

Neil also explained the use of the SAMMS Show Module. SAMMS takes 3.5% of the show income. PayPal can be used to take payments and if that component is used then PayPal fees will also apply.

Neil left the meeting at 11.30 am.

Christine Gibbons to consider the implications of changing the receipting procedure from MYOB to SAMMS.

TREASURER REPORT

The Treasurer, Christine Gibbons, provided the Board was a very comprehensive report which Michael Smith, on behalf of the Board, thanked her for.

Robert Cockram & Michael Smith went to the ANZ Bank at Richmond to ensure that the term deposit that had matured was migrated to the cheque account. When the second term deposit matures the funds will be combined and hopefully invested at a higher interest rate.

Registration fees have not been increased for a number of years. These are to be reviewed.

Efficiencies are already being noted following the change of Secretariat with a number of unnecessary subscriptions being cancelled and these efficiencies will increase further as procedures are streamlined.

The quote from the new auditor is considerably less than the previous one.

At the moment, the estimated loss for the National body to the end of March is approximately $11,000, it is hoped that the States have made profits in order to help offset this.

It is vital that the States conduct events in order to encourage people to become and remain members.

The new EFTPOS terminal has been installed in the office. Michael Smith to contact ANZ bank in order to have the online EFTPOS facility removed.

Motion: '' That the Treasurer's Report be approved.'' Carried

Michael Smith suggested that the position of Company Secretary change from Renae Dorney to Christine Gibbons.

Motion: ''That Christine Gibbons be appointed Company Secretary.'' Carried

Christine Gibbons to receive an Honorarium of $XXXX/annum to be paid in four instalments.

REPORTS:

a) Chairperson Report (as attached) was presented.

Motion: Moved Renae Dorney, seconded Christine Gibbons ''That the Chairperson's Report be accepted''. Carried

b) Annual Report (as attached) was deferred for discussion until the following day

c) Public Relations Report (as attached) was presented.

There were issues with the EA National Show selecting photos. Although pushed by NSW there is no Riding Pony Spectacular at Canberra Royal, There were problems with EA Nationals that need to be resolved but having ''personality'' presenters was successful.

Motion: Moved Renae Dorney, seconded Robert Cockram ''That the Public Relation's Report be accepted''. Carried

d) The State Reports were tabled. Michael Smith had distributed pro-forma report sheets for each state. NSW was only having a meeting that night to it is hoped there might be a report tomorrow.

Michael Smith congratulated Victoria on the amount of events they were conducting.

Tania Hay explained the Tasmanian incentives they were using for dressage, interschools and jumping to order to lure members back. Tasmania conducts a No Jacket-No Plaiting show that is very successful, Tania will forward a program to the states.

Michael Smith noted that SA had some excellent plans. Alyson Emery mentioned that SA had concerns about the proposed new website, these will be discussed later.

Newcomer Competitions are state based and at the moment there is no consistency in how money is distributed. Qld returns all the entry fees as prizemoney as does Victoria who also add to the prize pool. WA appears to possibly retain quite a bit of the funds. A consistent method of distribution needs to be devised.

The income for these events include GST but in order to claim back the GST the winner would need to be registered for GST.

Motion: Moved Renae Dorney, seconded Alyson Emery ''That the State Reports be accepted''. Carried

e) Registry and Membership Summary – Michael Smith presented the Registry and Membership reports for 2016. Like all Societies, memberships are down. The Board needs to look at new income streams.

MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE

Helen Dohan reported that there was a lot of confusion among members about the membership structure. Many people seem to have paid memberships but because they have never signed a waiver they are not counted as financial for 2017. She is negotiating with Affinity to try to make the renewal system easier for members in future and with Neil Maddock about online membership renewals with a tick box for the waiver. At the moment the rule states that original forms must accompany the Membership Application form, the Board agreed to amend this to Forms must accompany the initial Membership Application form.

There has been a problem where members have been allowed to change the names attached to a membership number. This affects all breeding records and ownership of animals. It will be difficult to clean up as people don't seem to realise the ownership implications of adding and deleting people. Agreed that names attached to memberships cannot be changed. Where people want to clean up records and standardise things a one off clean-up of ownership records will be done for no fee. The same problem has occurred when a member has died, the name on the membership has been changed to the beneficiary so all studbook records pertaining to the deceased member have been lost. Agreed that this practice is to cease and where possible the old records should be corrected. Transfers to beneficiaries to be processed for no fee. Memberships have also been recorded in a Stud name which could be anyone and it is not a legal entity as

far as horse ownership is concerned. Agreed that these should revert to the name of the person with the Stud Name recorded in the address.

Participant Members – the definition allows for them to either be attached to a membership or to be independent. There is no benefit to them being attached and it makes them difficult to find and they don't receive individual membership renewals so tend to drop off the system. Recommendation to make Participant Members independent of other memberships. Agreed by Board.

Junior Members – the definition implies that the adult nominee should have their own membership. This has not been adhered to and there isn't a logical reason for it as why would people voluntarily pay two memberships. Agreed that the requirement for an additional membership for the nominee was not necessary.

Family & Joint Memberships – Family memberships as defined are a problem because when a child turns 18 the membership would need to be amended together with ownership of the horses. The Joint Membership definition refers to the second party needing to be a Participant. Members seem to feel that they can add and delete people from these memberships. A simpler solution would be to have only Joint Membership comprising of two or more people. The fee to be $140 for two (being the normal membership fee + one participant fee) with an additional $20 for each other person attached. Ownership records to be cleaned up for free as a one-off. Agreed by the Board. Forms to include the option to note Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common.

Business Memberships – discussion about whether stud names which may be recorded as a business name should qualify or only a legal entity such as a company or trust. Business names are only a recording and not a trademarked name. Agreed by Board that this membership category should be renamed Company Membership and be reserved for companies, trusts etc with a nominated signatory. Fee to be $140.

Insurance company to be contacted to ensure that directors are covered by insurance. Renae Dorney will draft questions for the Affinity to clarify the Insurance cover provided.

Syndicate membership – at the moment where two or more members own horses together a ''syndicate'' membership has been recorded. These are not legal syndicates and would be better termed ''derived'' memberships as they are derived from two or more memberships. Agreed by Board. These memberships remain financial only while all participating memberships remain financial.

Life Membership – some of these are in Stud names and joint names. A life member is an individual.

Currently the fee to renew a late membership is an additional $22 and a new membership fee attracts an additional $20 fee. These should be the same. Board agreed after discussion that the fee should be $25.

REGISTRATION RULES

Helen Dohan suggested a number of changes to procedures which were agreed to by the Board

Transfers – divorce transfer fee to be half the usual fee.

- Where the new owner has the horse and registration certificate but no transfer signed by the last recorded owner then if no response to registered mail has been received from the last recorded owner after three months then the transfer is to be processed

Excessive forms – forms to be consolidated where possible with a different one for Reciprocal Registrations. The signature of the breeder is required and a transfer as applicable unless it is reciprocal. Colour born on greys to be recorded. Robert Cockram requested that a more attractive horse be used in the pictures which should be larger. Colour boxes to be removed as they are restrictive and liver chestnut should really be recorded as chestnut.

Foal Recording to Adult Registration – a new form is only required if details have changed.

Vet Reports – this is not consistent as Approved stallions don't need a current report but in theory Section A stallions do but not if they are being reciprocally registered. All stallions to be treated the same and the form does not need to be current. Form is also acceptable if scanned and emailed or faxed providing it has not been altered.

Helen Dohan asked if the Board still felt it necessary to parentage verify foals conceived by chilled semen. The Board felt that parentage verification should continue for these foals.

Import & Export – At the moment there are no procedures or fees.

Imports must have proof of ownership either registration certificate or passport and must have a DNA on file either from overseas or Australia. Five generation pedigree as a minimum to be recorded when the animal is registered. Fee to be $150 on top of the registration fee and DNA fee if applicable.

Exports must be DNA typed and profile sent to country to be imported to. Fee to be $55

Discussion about whether horses that are registered as geldings should be able to have their registration amended to that of a stallion. Not an ideal situation but better than them being used and not being able to correctly record the progeny. The Board felt that this should be permitted providing the consent of the breeder is received for the fee of $300 plus applicable DNA.

Transfer form – it was agreed that the signature of the purchaser was not required and failure to record service details of mares would not invalidate a transfer. Forms to include the option for Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common.

Reciprocal registrations – there is no definition as to what other registries/studbooks are acceptable. It was agreed that those listed as recognised studbooks/registries for registration purposes be approved.

Stud Prefixes – the rules for this seem to be misleading. After discussion the Board agreed that where a prefix was being used regularly that it needed to be registered unless the ponies were being registered off reciprocal paperwork.

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

a) Conflict of Interest policy as attached to the Board papers was reviewed. :

Motion: ''That the Conflict of Interest policy be placed on the website.'' Carried

b) State Committee Structure – State Committees are committees in their own right that may wish to have Sub-committees under them.

Proposed Amendments:

- Those noted as amendments in the draft document to be adopted with an amendment to Commented (07) to refer to an external review rather than an external audit
- Under Provisions Relating to State Committees Item 1 ''Full financial members of the Society have the right to'' is to be amended to ''Financial members of the Society with voting rights have the right to''
- Under Terms of Office Item 9 amend to ''Up to four positions''
- Under Terms of Office Item 10 amend to ''The State Committee Secretary must notify the Society Secretary''
- Under Vacancy and Casual Vacancy Item 12 amend ''Company Secretary'' to ''Society Secretary''
- Under State Committee Office Bearers Item 16 replace Public Relations Officer with Publicity Officer
- Under State Committee Office Bearers Item 17 add ''and the Society Secretary notified'' at the end.
- Under Appointing A State Committee Member to the RPSB Board of Directors Item 20 the clause be amended to ''When a State Committee member's term as a member of the Board of the Society has expired or been terminated the State Committee will either re-nominate that member to serve as a Director for another term or nominate another State Committee member to that position.''
- Under Extraordinary Election Procedures – to be reviewed as it may not have been followed in the past anyway and may be a problem in smaller states regularly. Item 50 the word ''will'' to be replaced by ''may''

- Under General – the time period of five days needs to be considered. Item 5 – notice is deemed to be served by way of email, fax or post.

Motion: ''That Renae Dorney review the document and proposed amendments and advise if they could be amended by the Board or if a Notice of Motion to an AGM is required.'' Carried

The meeting closed at 5.15pm

Sunday 8th January, 2017

Meeting commenced at 8.45 am

ATTENDEES: Michael Smith, Robert Cockram, Alyson Emery, Helen Dohan

APOLOGIES: Eileen Morris, Tania Hay, Christine Gibbons, Renae Dorney

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE DIRECTORS:

Motion: ''That Alyson Emery be appointed as Alternate Director for Renae Dorney for the meeting of RPSBS held 8 January 2017.'' Carried

Motion: ''That Helen Dohan be appointed as Alternate Director for Tania Hay for the meeting of RPSBS held 8 January 2017.'' Carried

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

b) State Committee Structure - State Committees to be reminded that two signatures are required for any payments including internet banking where two authorised signatories must sign off any payment.

c) Strategic Planning Report – need to develop ways to promote youngstock and encourage breeders.

Motion: ''That the Strategic Planning Document, as tabled, be approved.'' Carried

d) Newcomer – although state based it is expected that only the expenses ae deducted from the prize pool. WA appears to deduct a lot of money.

Motion: ''That a maximum of 10% may be deducted from the prize pool for expenses and administration and the maximum entry is to be $44.'' Carried.

e) Deceased member – As previously determined, membership numbers will not be re-allocated to beneficiaries and transfers will be processed for free. All documentation to be signed by the Executor(s) or person legally authorised to do so.

JUDGES POLICY

1 The Draft policy and forms as presented to the Board was discussed. As the Riding Pony Judges list is a National list it is important that there is consistency between the states.
- All judges must have a Working with Children document lodged with the Society as from 1/7/2017.
- The applicant must apply to the office who then refers then to the State. All applications must be accompanied by a Working with Children card in order to process.
- Discussion about the need to an applicant to have sponsors.

Motion: ''That the requirement for a judge applicant to have sponsors be removed.'' Carried

- Amendments to Probationary Judge draft letter
  - Paragraph 2 - Your period of appointment will be for a period of up to twelve months starting on _____ finishing _____. *An extension to this period may be granted by the Board upon application by the Probationary Judge's Mentor.*
  - Paragraph 8 – You must maintain a diary of *your* activities and it is expected that *you* will contact your mentor ….
- Concern was raised that relatively inexperienced judges who had just been appointed to the panel could be asked to judge major shows such as State Royals.

  Proposal - to be discussed at March Board meeting ''That a two tier judge list be introduced. Upon appointment to the Judges Panel new judges will be placed on a State Panel. These judges will be eligible to judge all shows except Royals and State or National Riding Pony Shows. After three years judges may apply to be upgraded to the National panel. Applications for upgrade to the National Panel will only be considered by the Board if accompanied by a list of judging experiences in details where RPSB classes have been judged at a minimum of two shows.
- National Judge Committee at the moment consists of Michael Smith, Robert Cockram and Eileen Morris. Ideally a fourth person should be included. To be determined at the March Board meeting.
- All judges are to attend a judge seminar
- Where a judge's membership has lapsed the judge is to be placed on an inactive list. Upon renewal of membership the judge will be returned to the active list of judges subject to approval by the National Judge Committee. Such approval can be between meetings.

  Motion: ''That the Judges Report, as tabled, with amendments be approved.'' Carried

2. Katrina Metherall

   A satisfactory Report was received from Kaye Thomson for Katrina Metherall.

   It was agreed that upon receipt of a satisfactory second report that Katrina Metherall would be eligible to be included on the Judges Panel.

REGISTRATION RULES

The Registration Rules, as published on the website, were reviewed.

Definitions to be included

– Where the word Pony has been used, this shall relate to ponies and horses of any height which are eligible for registration with the Riding Pony Stud Book Society.

– All Ponies & Horses will follow the registration eligibility rules for registration

– Reciprocal Registration will only apply to ponies being registered using the registration papers of a Breed Society acknowledged by the RPSBS. Ownership of the Sire &/or Dam must comply with the registration rules of RPSBS.

Membership – paragraph 2 to be amended ''Ponies may only be leased, registered by or transferred to financial members of the Society. The Lessee and Lessor must both be financial members at the time of recording the lease.'' Policy – ponies will not be transferred to non-members, where an application is received the transfer will be processed as ''sold'' until such time as the purchaser joins the Society.

Registration Applications – additional new rules

- As from 1/8/2017 all Section A Riding Pony foals are to be registered in the year of birth. The definition of the year of birth to be 1st August to the 31st July of the following year.
- All ponies born before 1/8/2017 which are eligible for Section A registration and which have not been registered by 1/8/2017 can be registered with no late fee until 31/7/2019. After 1/8/219 a late registration fee of $25 per year, in addition to the normal registration fee, will apply to a maximum of $125.
- Registrations made by a member other than the owner of the sire at the time of service or insemination shall be accompanied by a service certificate unless the Application is deemed to be Reciprocal

- Ponies must be resident in Australia in order for a registration to be processed or have semen available for use in Australia.

Stud Books recognised by the Society

- word recognised to be changed to acknowledged
- Delete Hackney and include Welsh D. Move Anglo Arabian to Register.

Registers recognised by the Society

- Word recognised to be changed to acknowledged
- Add Anglo Arabian

Imported Stock from UK – add ''Ponies will be registered in the name of the person recorded as owner overseas. All imported ponies must have a DNA profile on file in Australia and an official 5 generation pedigree supplied by the county of export.''

Imported Stock from New Zealand - add ''Ponies will be registered in the name of the person recorded as owner overseas. All imported ponies must have a DNA profile on file in Australia and an official 5 generation pedigree supplied by the county of export.''

Tables to be checked

Stallions – amend ''The application for registration of stallions must be accompanied by a Veterinary Certificate which states the suitability for breeding purposes with specific reference to genitalia except where a stallion is already accepted and adult registered with another acknowledged Studbook which has similar requirements for DNA typing and Veterinary Inspection at the time of adult registration.

Registration of Approved Stallions – insert the clause as for Stallions.

Geldings – remove ''A gelding with only one recognised parent will pay an extra registration fee''

Foal Recorded Section A colts – add ''Foal Recording shall lapse at the 1st of August when the colt attains the age of 4 years, when gelded or if used to cover mares whichever occurs sooner. Foal Recorded colts are ineligible to be shown after the age of 2 years as at the 1st August''

Prefix/Suffix – The first two sentences to be amended to ''All prefixes or suffixes when used in the registration of two or more Riding Ponies must be registered with the Society except where the registration is deemed Reciprocal and the owner is not the breeder. Initials or letters not constituting a word will not be approved for recording as a Prefix or Suffix''

Leases – add ''The RPSBS will not become involved in any dispute between lessor and lessee. A lease may only be terminated with the consent of both the lessee and lessor unless such situation arises that may be prejudicial to the welfare of the horse, as evidenced by documentation from a Veterinarian or Welfare Organisation, in which case the Board may choose to terminate such lease.

Transfers – delete ''Transfers are the responsibility of the vendor''

- Delete ''A transfer to a non-financial or non-member will be recorded but a registration certificate will not be issued'' as this contradicts the Regulations. Procedure – transfers will be recorded as sold.

Selling of Youngstock as Riding Ponies – Amend to ''All Youngstock ponies must be registered by the breeder/vendor and the transfer applied for by the breeder/vendor prior to and transfer being recorded with the exception of those ponies being registered where the registration is deemed Reciprocal.'' The second paragraph to be deleted as it is now under Registration and applicable to mature stock as well as Youngstock.

Transfer of Exported Ponies – amend to ''A vendor exporting a Riding Pony shall forward the Registration Certificate and completed Transfer to the Society together with the appropriate transfer fee, export fee and DNA fee if to pony has not already been DNA profiled. All exported ponies are to have their DNA profile recorded prior to export. The transfer will be processed to members or non-members of the RPSBS. The Studbook reference to the pony will note ''exported''.

Stallions Standing At Stud – ''Stallions must be Vet Certified, Adult Registered and DNA typed prior to use at stud. All Stallions will be required to be Nominated for use at stud each year prior to 31st July. An additional fee for late Nomination will be required for Section A stallions nominated after 1st August. Service Certificates must be issued to all visiting mares within 90 days of full payment of the service fee. Service Certificates must be issued to all mares sold by the owner/lessee of the sire at the time of sale. Service Certificates are not transferrable between members. Scanned/faxed copies of service certificates will be accepted for the purpose of registration providing no details have been amended. At no time will the Society enter into disputes, It is recommended that a written agreement be drawn up between the parties concerned. Stallion Returns are no longer required. Note- the late nomination fee is very high and may need to be reviewed.

Notice to Stallion and Mare Owners – to be incorporated into Stallions Standing at Stud and named Notice to Stallion and Mare Owners.

Artificial Insemination - 1 needs to be amended to ''Riding Pony stallions must be registered with the Riding Pony Stud Book Society Ltd and DNA result must be on file. 9 needs to be deleted.

Transported and Frozen Semen – 7 Notification of the sale of semen needs to be noted on a Semen Sale form (not Stallion Return). All reference to Stallion returns needs to be removed.

Overheight RPSB – needs to be defined ''An Overheight RPSB is defined to be a Riding Pony which exceeds 14.2hh and is Section A RPSB on breeding or has one Section A RPSB parent.''

CORRESPONDENCE

Confidential

The Board felt that unless a report was obtained confirming that the signature was a forgery that the transfer could not be reversed and no action could be taken.

SCANNING

A large amount of RPSBS documentation is with Flagstaff Scanning. Some of this has been scanned but much has not. To be returned to the Society.

RPSB MEDALLIONS

These may need to be ordered but need to determine what stock is still available and with who.
Fridge magnets with the new address are to be produced.

WEBSITE
Alyson Emery noted that SA had concerns about the website as they have a large amount of historical information that they wish to retain. Michael Smith will contact Despina regarding this.

AGM
Venue is booked. Forum topics still need to be determined.

FEES
To be reviewed in March

GERMAN RIDING PONIES

The Society is getting a lot of enquiries from members who are breeding with German Riding Ponies. At the moment these are being lost to ACE and the Sports Pony Society. There is no registry for GRP in Australia and it may be a good opportunity to offer to host an independent Registry for them in the same way as APSB maintains the Studbook for Gypsy Cobs.

At the moment there are a number of Riding Ponies and Welsh being bred to GRP. These foals are registered Partbred Arabian and Part Welsh as well as ACE and Sports Pony Society. They can be registered Section C RPSB as well but the barrier there is that they don't want the GRP noted as an unregistered horse. There is a possibility to get them to embrace the RPSB rather than leaving it.

Proposal:

RPSB establishes an independent registry for GRP based on their rules.

GRP registered with the Australian GRP Society (or whatever they want to call it) will get free Recording (not registration) with RPSBS as ''Recorded'' Stallions/Mares (GRS/GRM)). This would be the equivalent of the old Section D. They can't be shown.

If a GRS/GRM is bred to an Acknowledged Breed or RPSB registered pony then the resulting foal would be eligible for recording as a ''Recognised'' Stallion/Mare (RS/RM). This is equivalent to Section C. Stallions cannot be shown but mares can be in the same way as if the GRP breeding had never been confessed to.

If a RS/RM is bred to an Acknowledged Breed or RPSB registered pony then the resulting foal would be Approved Stallion or Section B mare.

In this way they don't need to hide the GRP breeding and hopefully it will encourage the breeders to keep going back to Riding Pony rather than back to GRP.

To be considered and discussed in March

The meeting closed at 1.00 pm