**Minutes of the QLD Management Committee Meeting**

Saturday 8th Feb 2020

QPA Office Toowoomba

**Meeting opened:** 8.30am

**Attendance**: Mike Williams, Penny Kelly, Terry Kerr, Gerard O’Sullivan, Ronnie Stephens, Mirella O’Sullivan, Jamie Bredhauer, Russell Davison, Matt Hardy, Paul McGrath, Stephanie Cochrane (minutes secretary)

**Information from the minutes.**

**State administrator** – Mike advised that he has replied to all applicants for the position and will shortlist for interviews then will be in contact after the 14th of February.

**Nationals** – state co-ordinator – Subject to the outcome of the new administrator, Steph to be the event co-ordinator for the period of Ballarat nationals.

**Sponsors & Awards Co-ordinator position** – discussion was held regarding sponsorship?

**Toowoomba State Practice –** Mike to organise line marking, Russel to manage the practice e.g. draw, umpires etc. S

**Tara MH Carnival** –State players MUST ride their selected horse minimum of 2 games. Are Selectors/managers/coaches who aren’t in teams allowed to play? General feeling in the room is that they should be allowed to play but encouraged to make teams their priority.

**Bauhinia State Champs** –

Fees per team – QPA to keep fees the same. Club Championship template letter to go to Bauhinia.

**Cooper cup** – a discussion held re rules, horses needed for competition, co-ordinator for the event.

**PAA Blue Bandage/pony club –** how do we facilitate? Play as a separate competition “Pony Club” competition? This is a question that needs to be asked at the AGM.

**Efficiency ideas –**

It was suggested that umpires for large weekends may be able to receive a text confirming umpiring duty, this will rely on the fact that the database is accurate.

a suggestion was put forward that clubs should pay ambulance fees once teams are nominated by clubs on the database then if clubs want to charge an entry fee on top it isn’t costing spectators as much. Take to clubs as a talking point. Investigate if the database can extract the umpires phone number at carnivals.

**AICD Sports governance courses**– MC members need to attend these courses for funding requirements.

**Presenter and Assessor training –** try to get a couple of people accredited, will investigate dates of the upcoming events.

**AGM & Awards –** happy to continue Burke & Wills. Invite the youth committee to suggest entertainment for the night.