



New Zealand Wool Classers Association Inc.

Annual General Meeting, 21st May 2013
In conjunction with Classer Refresher Day
At Timaru Racecourse
Greyway Room

Meeting commenced at 1.00pm

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Bill Dowe

REGISTRAR: Dave Carr

SECRETARY: Annette Gamble

BOARD MEMBERS: Bruce Abbott, Ian Kofoed, Alastair Eckhoff, Rose Barnett

PATRON: Bruce Tinnock

CLASSERS: Brent Cole, Shirley Munro, Sarah Dalzell, Graham Nell, Katrina Marsh, Janet Smith, Jan Darlington, Brian Ponsonby, Emarina Watson, Jase Nahona, Don Urquhart, Ann Johnstone, Graeme Goodger, Robyne Murray, Guy Palmer, David Cone, Margaret Amuketi, Sarah Falcolner, John Sanders, Katie Wilson, Christene McMahon, Ian Shaw, John McKenzie, Richard Moriarty, Marg Fords, Terrence Mulcany

Great sign in apologies if we have missed anyone

NEW MEMBERS:

Dayle Clemens, Judith Ratana

ASSOCIATED MEMBERS:

Barry Pullin

FROM ELDERS:

Mark Greenlaw, Roger Fuller

FROM CANTERBURY WOOL SCOURERS:

Struan Hulme

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Michelle Webster, Chey Webster, Mary –Lou Sanders ,Craig Smith

APOLOGIES: Craig Adams, Graeme Bell, Huia Whyte-Puna, Tina Rimene, Ngaire Proudfoot, Murray Ross, Barbara Newton, Allan Frazer, Sam Cane, Tom Bryant, Martin Paterson, Dave McPhearson (PATRON), Pip McConway, Julie Thompsons, Christine Forsyth, Sandra Harnett

Move that the apologies be accepted and leave of absence be granted

MOVED: Alastair Eckhoff

SECONDED: Ian Kofoed

CARRIED ALL



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MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM:

Meeting held at the PGG Wrightsons, Christchurch on the 18th May 2013

Minutes circulated

Move that the minutes represent a true and correct record of the Annual General Meeting.

MOVED: Ian Kofoed

SECONDED: Sarah Falconer

CARRIED ALL

FINANCIAL REPORT (01/01/2012 to 31/12/13):

Annual accounts presented & circulated

Chairman went through report

- Finances discussed at board meeting last night
- Expenditure has exceeded income which was expected
- Grants & sponsorship reflect the final Meat & Wool Grant

Move that the Association's Financial Annual report be accepted

MOVED: Bill Dowle

SECONDED: Ian Kofoed

CARRIED ALL

- Bruce Abbott presented to Classers increase in subs for 2014

Classer subs will be increased to \$110.00 incl. GST p.a an increase of \$23.75

Invoice will go out at the end of January and if you pay your Invoice by the April 30th of that year your subs will be reduced to \$95.00 incl GST p.a which is only an increase of \$8.75

Points asked:

What will Classers get for this increase?

There was a comparison made with Australian Wool Classers and what they get for their registration verses New Zealand Classers.

Reply: Your registration means that you have an Association that is a Professional institution. Your subs pay for days like today which have costs that are incurred.

Barry Pullin also noted that there is value of being an Association - fellowship in bench marking & being here as one team.

We no longer receive anything from the industry, Australia still receive a Wool Levy.

Points asked:

Could we get Broker support regarding un-registered Classers

Reply:

This is a question that gets asked at every AGM and is asked by your Registrar every year.



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It would be good if you as Classers could put pressure on fellow Classers who are not registered, as you are working with these people in the sheds

Points asked:

Barry Pullin (NZSCA) – spoke has similar issues their Association has and they have adopted similar subs intuitive of lower subs higher penalty.

As a shearing contractor he would like to see an open list of Classers.

**Send List to Brokers of registered Classers + Federation of Wool Merchants
ACTION: DAVE**

Points asked:

Are Farmer Classers being charged?

Replied:

Yes we do have Farmers Classers but number is not high.

*Bruce Abbott Moved to increase subs from 2104 with incentive for early payment
Seconded: Judith Ratana
CARRIED ALL*

Registrar discussed Current Financial position as at 30th April 2013

- 134k in total accounts
- Most invested in Rabobank & Kiwibank - Have made sensible investments for the future
- Liability \$965.00 GST
- Biggest account NZWCA has 17.5k per year to Tectra this pays for Registrar and admisitation

CHAIRMANS REPORT:

Circulated and tabled as read by Bill Dowle

*Move that the Chairman's report be accepted
MOVED: Bruce Abbott
SECONDED: Janet Smith
CARRIED ALL*

REGISTRARS REPORT:

Circulated and tabled as read by Dave Carr

*Move that the Registrars' report be accepted
MOVED: Bruce Abbott
SECONDED: Janet Smith
CARRIED ALL*

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:

Rose Barnett's position as North Island representative was up for re election

There were No nominations were received

Rose happy to continue

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ELECTION OF PATRONS:

Bruce Abbott & Dave McPhearson

Bill Dowle nominated that Dave McPhearson & Bruce Tinnock be re-elected as a Patrons

*MOVED: Bill Dowle
SECONDED: Alastair Eckhoff
CARRIED ALL*

PRESENTATION OF MERIT AWARDS:

Presented by Bruce Tinnock NZWCA Patron

Award:

Merino Merit Award sponsored by New Zealand Merino

Recipient: **Pip McConway (A1864) Blarich**

Mid Micro Merit Award

No Award given – 4 names put forward 3 were not paid up members and 1 had other issues

Cross Breed Excellence Merit Award sponsored by Canterbury Wool Scourers

Recipient: **Guy Palmer (A1678) Mendip Hills**

Owner Classer Merit Award sponsored by PGG Wrightsons

Recipient: **Ben Todhunter (FD2101) Cleardale**

North Island Classer Merit Award sponsored by PGG Wrightsons

Recipient: **Julie Thompson (P2106) Mauturangi**- Check spelling please

Commendation:

Graeme Goodger (P1883) for Gray Hills - Merino

Janet Smith (A1477) for Cambian Hill - Merino

WOOL MERCHANT'S AWARDS:

Sponsored by Federation of Wool Merchants, presented by Don Urquhart from Federation of Wool Merchants.

First Scholarship presented to:

Dayle Clemens

Top student end of Year 1 coming back for Year 2

Second Scholarship presented to:

Michelle Webster

Top student out of the Wool Technology course after the final year.

Each recipient received \$500.00

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Bill Dowle thanked Federation of Wool Merchants for continued support for Scholarship's & Newsletter

WEBSITE:

- Is well used
- List of paid up members is on website NOTE: your details are only there if you have given us permission to publish them. If you wish to check this please call Annette Gamble 0800 496 657 to check.

Bill called for queries or desires on website:

Don Urquhart – Would like to see comments on season from Classers – Chat room

David Cone – If anyone is interest in Classing in Australia please see him

MEMBERSHIP AND THE FUTURE – Program for rest of 2013:

From minutes of Board meeting

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1/ Barry Pullin presented Shear New Zealand
 - Shear NZ has been up and running for a year still
 - They currently have 10 Contractors on board.
 - They are still working through accreditation process
 - Shear NZ does not accredit Wool
 - As a Classer quality comes from you. This comes from Pride of product, Passion & People.
Talked about the 5 P's
Piss Poor Planning promotes Poor Performance
- 2/ Broker Rep on NZWCA Board will be changing for 2014.

Meeting closed 2.05