



Icelandic Horse Society of Great Britain B.o.T Meeting + Management.

MEETING Minutes Monday 2nd September 2024 . Time: 19.30 hrs, Zoom online.

Present: Trustees & Management.

Martine Bye-Duke Chair (MBD), Fi Pugh (FP), Jem Adams (JA), , Kathryn Wogan (KW), Harriet Bye (HB), Ellen Brimble (EB), Freija Glansdorp (FG).

The Minutes were recorded then written up by Jemimah Adams (JA) .

1. **Chair opened meeting with apologies** : Debbie Ede (DE), Hilary 'H' Ashford (HA), Mic Rushen [MR], Jane Marfleet (JM) minutes
2. **Minutes of last meeting & Matters Arising.**

The minutes of the last meeting on 5th August 2024 were agreed upon by all.

Action :

Minutes need to be written coherently for full understanding. Try Google meet for the next meeting and use a transcript so easier for minute takers. Use zoom for webinars etc.

MBD Any progress on action points from the last meeting will be addressed during the meeting those not able to be addressed to carry over to the October BoT/ Management meeting.

3. Chairs Update – MBD

- **FEIF Conference** - location has been changed to Vienna in Jan/Feb 25 instead of Faroe Islands, due to flights and costs.
- **Minutes 2** - email address now relates to Sabrina Chetcuti , but couldn't get hold of her yet for these minutes.
- **Scottish Icelandic Open event** - Letter from Shona Stewart of the Scottish Open, thanking the helpers and the IHSGB for their support with the grant, which allows discounted entries

for members. Letter was sent to all attendees. Heather Morrison was speaker,

Gundula Sharman gave prizes, including support from Mic Rushen and Charlie Day, showing member support. Approx 12-18 riders.

- **Workload** - a number of trustees are filling in roles here and there, we are all volunteers and must be mindful of this.
- **Welfare group** - Gundula Sharman to join group.

Action: Contact Sabrina Chetcuti for minutes (MBD).

Action: Harriet (Youth) to help with Communications to support KW. Check with DE regarding the trustee roles and whether they can be interchangeable or shared between trustees. All to remember to help each other and ask for help if needed.

4. Education – JA

- **British Gaited Horse Association (BGHA)** - Nothing more at the moment. Marie Brittenden happy with the letter of support that was sent. Marie also asked for anyone interested in becoming a judge for Rockies, she will provide training, however not needed currently.
- **Regional Coordinators** - been in contact with Shona Stewart, Liz Kraft and Crissie Edwards. Facebook public pages are now set up, and JA will keep in touch with them re the RC role and get activity going. Shetland probably don't need a regional coordinator. Would be nice to have an IHSGB education course with Shona/Liz.
- **Minutes** - uploaded to the website and printed for storage.
- **Trainer page on website** - need to update when we have more time.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Action: Contact IHSGB judges when needed re Rockie judge training (JA)

Action: Training IHSGB webpage update - tbc (KW/JA)

Action: Contact Shona/Liz re Education course in North Scotland/Highlands (JA)

5. Sport – FP

- **Update on MEM.** Kirsty Carson has written a report on MEM24. Mike and Jemimah Adams attended, with some good results.
- **Update on WC 2025** - Preparations by FEIF are continuing. No changes currently for team selection or any other WC changes planned currently.

- **Online competitions** - Autumn league a possibility, maybe 3 leagues a year and to allow team qualification online due to minimal competitions. Live events have sadly gotten less busy. EB mentioned the opportunity to have competition experience also with the breeding events.
- **Sponsorship** - KC optimistic re sponsorship but no details yet.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

6. Youth HB

- **Young Leader event** - Email went out to those of the correct age bracket. Alex Lane interested. One other interested party asked if there would be some sort of financial support toward the expenses of attending. Gundula Sharman (FEIF Youth) made an exception for Alex who was just out of the age bracket.
- **Youth sitting in on meetings** - Ethan x very interested in Icelandic Horses, could he sit in on a meeting for interest?
- **The LGB Q plus foundation** - sent loads of information which needs to be read.
- **Youth 'strength of character' award** - can we name after a person? Only where relevant.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Action: contact young leaders to confirm financial support or not.

7. Leisure – MBD

- **Summer Camp** - 20 horses initially signed up but some people unable to join, so final numbers 18. Refund situation pending due to late notice. All bookings being confirmed, insurance confirmed, risk assessment confirmed, emergency details confirmed.
- **Kelmscott Manor display** - by Luan and Fi, thank you. FP updated the group on the display to which they may be invited back next year. Kelmscott Risk assessment was done but need to do IHSGB one and upload to shared drive.
- **Online League of Showing shows** - No entries for number 2, maybe due to timing, but MBD will do the third one in October.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Action: HB to send FP risk assessment to be completed retrospectively.

Action: MBD to get out the third Online showing show.

8. Breeding Team (EB and All discussed)

- **Breeding Show** - People are sending in their interest/bookings for the breeding show assessment or riding lessons.
- **Insurance** - renewal due in October. All to make sure if there is anything more that will be happening in the next year from October to make sure we have all events covered.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Action: Breeding show ongoing

Action: EB to send out the insurance docs for all to read to make sure is sufficient.

9.Comms - KW

- **Webinar** - Freija WF webinar on 11th September, info going out soon.
- **Breeding show comms** - Spelling mistake rectified, and going out tomorrow
- **Gaedingakeppni** - KW enjoyed watching the recent GK, could we have one?! Maybe in Ammanford or Connegar? FG noted it's been combined with GK a few times even if low entries, how to get participants? FP mentioned how to find Locations?
- **Adverts in Sleipnir** - no confirmation as to situation with Orchard Farm, but need to tighten up for future.
- **WC Adverts** - advertising package and who to contact? KW to follow up.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Discussion of locations ensued with requirements etc.

Action: All to look for event locations suitable for GK ie minimum 70m for gaits to be shown, but 300m ideal. FP to look up prices.

Action: KW Follow up with WC advertising situation and to cc in MBD.

10. Finance - DE

- **End of year and trustee reports** - New financial year no surprises. DE and MBD have been liaising and with studbook/membership to finalise accounts. Final accounts will be liaising with B&B. £1500 gift aid has been claimed and received. Thanks to H for helping, and keeping data updated.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Action: DE to take final accounts to B&B for sign off in October meeting.

11. AoB

- **HA Membership** – Email from Tanya Curtis regarding joining society in February 2024 and having to rejoin in August 2024, can she pay pro-rata? KW and FG also has had similar questions/issues. A discussion was had regarding a pro rata system between the trustees, and pros and cons.
- **Webinars** - lots of positive comments from members.
- **Comms email** - both KW and HB to go on email.
- **AGM** - FP asked who is staying in trustee roles as its coming closer. Who is up on rotation? When do we have to update? DE usually updates us all. Will it be enough time at the next meeting? All to update.
- **Annual reports** - reminder to all trustees, due 15th September 2024.
- **Welfare group** - EB noted minutes have not been updated to the website. Suggested to keep on shared drive incase of sensitive material.

ACTION NEEDED, by whom & by when.

Action: EB to ask son if its possible to set up a system to make membership costs fairer. Need to be careful we don't upset existing members, but can look after new members. Need to make sure it's fair to all. Before that could happen, DE and H should be consulted (point for next meeting)

Action: MBD to discuss with H who joined when to see what numbers we are discussing per year, and options available before going back to the members.

Action: MBD to ask David Sanders re payment for his webinar.

Action: KW to sort out HB on comms email.

Action: Discuss with DE the situation wrt trustees positions leading up to next AGM and timeline.

12. Date & Type/Venue of next meeting –

- Monday 7th October, 19.30.
- Trustees & Management Zoom Meeting

As there was no other business the meeting was closed at 21:15.