

Leighdale Equestrian Centre Committee of Management



Meeting details	
Meeting title:	Committee of Management
Date:	30 th April 2025, 7.35 pm
Location:	Leighdale Equestrian Centre

Attendees	Title
Rachael Black	General Comm
Kirsty Blake	GD CD
Kate DiLecce	Assistant Secretary/Barwon Hunt
Frank DiLecce	Barwon Hunt
Tanya Goldsworthy	General Committee
Emily Grisby	Casual User
Pixie Heath	GD CD
Emma Judge	Inverleigh Riding Club
Tom McCann	President
Alicia Mummery	Secretary
Mark Mummery	Treasurer and Maintenance Officer
Lee-Anne Rigby	BTRC
Anna Treloar-Tanner	Leighdale Pony Club
Apologies	Title
Diane Lang	Vice President
Suzanne Mowat	Inverleigh Riding Club
Kat Schneider	Golden Plains Shire

Opening/apologies
Minutes of previous meeting – 26 th March 2025 moved by Tania
Business arising from previous minutes –
External Lighting Indoor – MM no further quote received. KB casual users seeking information when it is going to be happening. Could we make this a priority. MM to call Jason the electrician again. General discussion about costing and procedures for lighting the parking area. Approved expenditure of \$2,500.
Space to Co - AM is in the final stages. Membership number will be required to make bookings. First phase to roll out will be indoor bookings then home users and finally external bookings.

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Shipping Container – AM has found out from council what is required. Will need a local laws permit. We need to have a solid surface, an aerial map of where it will be going, it will then go out to local residents for approval. **Pony Club are keen to go ahead with an application.** KB – are we being good custodians of the ground in putting in shipping containers vs smart sheds. General discussion about purchasing a trailer to store the arenas but then would need an undercover storage.

Comment [RB1]: Pony Club were happy to complete the application if this was the agreed way forward.

Website Update – everyone has sent in information and BTRC had submitted a much larger blurb than the other clubs. Discussion about whether it should be set up with everyone having their own page. BTRC need to provide a more concise blurb to be in keeping with other clubs.

'Access fence' to indoor – carried over to next meeting, TM to contact Tristan

Fence around Club Rooms – carried over to next meeting, RB to send designs to committee

President Report None

Treasurer Report Attached

Secretary Report and Booking Officer Update

Have had two major complaints. Contacted by Leanne setting up for Golden Spurs there was a wildlife officer on site as someone was chasing kangaroos with her car and pushing them onto the road. Apparently this is not the first time this person has been seen doing this. TM to contact the individual and warn them that this is not acceptable.

Kat Schneider contacted AM today that the entrance to the grounds will be graded tomorrow from 7.30 tomorrow for two hours. Will be closing the grounds for that time. Kat has been seconded elsewhere so Rod and Brodie are now out contacts.

Casual Users – 12 bookings to date for indoor hire over the month at \$18 which is still not bad income. \$216 vs \$500 when we had the \$10 special.

(Unfortunately with email checking sending timing etc I did miss 2 bookings).

No complaint's re surfaces etc all seem happy and have users very keen for the lights to be installed and keen for evening use, no needing an update where this is at currently.

Cheers Kirsty

BH Report – Hunt training has gone well on the XC course. Opening Hunt is next week. Would like to thank Mark for all the extra hard work he's put into the grounds recently.

BTRC Report – Ran golden spurs, low on entries. Something (midge) was eating people alive in the sand arena.

GD CD Report – No rallies onsite so nothing to report. We do have a May rally coming up with a 'clicker training' instructor coming onsite. Whilst we do plan to use the smaller fenced arena, should the weather be bad we would like to seek

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permission to maybe do this in the indoor. Noting we may use jump wings to section off a smaller part of the indoor and one horse at a time would be loose (worked at liberty) so not chased around etc, literally following the owner around to cross a tarp, stand in a podium etc.... Therefore seeking COM approval to use the indoor if it's the best fit for the weather conditions etc. No objections from committee but there was a request that any social media posts mention that this was "under rally conditions".

LPC Report – It's been great to see some progress made around the grounds of late - the addition to the wash bay is a handy add on for home clubs who run competitions and also the casual users. The moving of the post and tap has opened up the space for the dressage arena entry way. The star picket is still in the parking lot. The Pony Club would like to propose the 3 items for consideration of top 3 priorities: 1. Undercover roof for the seated area at the club rooms, would tie into a new sign and new fencing of this space also. 2. Removal of large pile of dirt which leads into 3. More yards and parking space.

IRC Report - Golden Spurs was a disaster. There's a bump in the indoor middle of the long side on the East. TM to assess. Weeded the back arena. MM plan is over the next couple of months, to harrow the area once the arenas are taken down.

Grounds Maintenance Update – Not much to report this month -

- Repaired BBQ. New wheels and a number of screws replaced.
- Upgraded Horse Wash Bay (4 Days work) from 1 hose to 2 hoses.
- Cut up large branches along West Fence line that had fallen down.
- Repaired LPC and Cleaners Cupboard with new hinges all round and brackets to support the top.
- Repaired Shade cloth shade sail that had a bolt loose.
- Repaired Kitchen Sink. Pulled apart cleaned and re sealed with Silicone.
- Pressure Washed Undercover Area.
- Had Split System serviced by plumber.
- Had whole grounds where applicable sprayed.
- Removed dodgy looking Pole and Speakers from the back arena.
- Had tap relocated from the dodgy pole to the outside South West corner of the menage.
- Cleaned out gutters from both sheds.

OTHER BUSINESS

Complaint re use of the gator at a PC Rally and the rules Tom put in place to govern the gators use.

Complaint – **rally with kids driving buggy with other kids in back**. Only licenced operators should be driving and at no times should there be a passenger on the back. MM going to create a logbook for the buggy. Fuel level to be check and not left below ¼ tank. Should only be used for harrowing
Motion that ratify Under instruction can take a passenger be allowed. 8 in favour, motion stands

People not using the QR code - will we apply a penalty or do we not even care?

General discussion. **Motion raised that we withdraw the QR system carried**

Comment [RB2]: I would like it minuted that while this was the complaint received, it was not actually what had occurred, there were no kids in the tray of the buggy unsecured.

Comment [RB3]: Not very clear for a motion:

Motion: To remove the requirement for visitors to the LEC to QR code into the venue.
Moved by: RB
CARRIED

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Camera for indoor to see if people are using it unpaid. And to have additional security around if we do have removable rails to bring jumps in. Not required at this stage. 🌞
Buggy use - fuel use. If it gets to ¼ tank let someone know.
Buggy/ Harrow Training – AM trained Rhiannon after Golden Spurs
Kangaroos on Grounds – Covered already
Use of equipment and reporting when stuff happens – LAR reported an issue with power. AM asks that an email be sent to LEC email address
Email from Silky Finch about sponsoring the facility. General discussion about what sort of items could be sponsored. AM to send an email to members for suggestions.
Permanent arenas – do we want to put up permanent arenas? Problem with harrowing the corners. GDCD use them as large areas. General discussion about semi permanent arenas and installation of arenas. Thoughts into possible solutions for next meeting.
EJ need to paint the fence for the indoor. LEC to purchase an oil based product and EJ will start organising painting. Budget of \$1,000. Carried
LAR propose we buy a monitor and microphone for zoom meetings. Budget of \$600. Unanimous
ATT brought up that maintenance of the Cross Country Course should be shared among users. General lengthy discussion. ATT to prepare a wish list of maintenance for discussion at next meeting.
Working bee to be set up at the next meeting
EJ wants to put cones around the dressage arenas.
Meeting closed 9.37pm
Next meeting 28 th May