

Tec meeting 10th November 2021 via Zoom

Present: Karen Allen, Kate Cawthorn, Tania Hay, Jo Fish, Emily Dunbabin Tim Williams [Etas]

Apologies NB

Meeting started: 605pm.

Minutes previous meeting: Passed JF. KA seconded

The Chair of Equestrian Tasmania, Tim Williams, was a guest speaker at this meeting. Tim advised that the EA Constitution is being rewritten but has been put on hold pending the outcome of the new Equestrian Australia restructure and Constitution.

As part of the ETas reform, it is proposed to restructure the TEC Board. The Board will consist of three independent members as the management group. The User Group representatives will attend meetings for the purpose of communication between their group and the Board. This is just a proposal currently. The current Board arrangement will stay in place until the ETas constitution has been reformed.

All Weather Arena: ETas has granted TEC \$80K for the commencement of the All-Weather arena, plus a further \$80K interest free loan, payable over 10 years. A total of \$160K is now available towards the project.

The Arena was to be 100m x 100m but due to cost and irrigation limitations the arena will be 70m x 70m. The total estimate for the project including the base, sand, fibre surface, irrigation and fencing is \$212K. The Arena will be placed on the area on the right-hand side of the road past the sliding gate and the float parking area. This location keeps the arena out of flood inundation areas and reduces the permits required by HCC and allows a TEC specific area to be created. Tim (ETAs) has requested for all council permits and contracts to be signed and completed before works star

Tec has applied for two grants with the assistance of Allison Hall. These grants should help further with this project if it successful. One major grant amount approx. \$140k for arena development and the second is an equipment & fencing grant approx. \$18k.

Considering the above discussion with Tim Williams representing Etas 3 motions were passed:

Motion 1: Acceptance of \$80k grant from Etas

Motion 2: Acceptance of 80k from Etas as a loan

Motion 3: Grant applications accepted.

ETas Horse of the Year Show 2022. This event is being held on 22 & 23 January 2022. All User Groups have been asked to assist with the preparation and running of this event. Assistance is required to water the grounds. User groups are requested they assist with this and do dressage want to run a canteen?

TEC Tractor Course. Next course will hopefully be held in December if user groups can advise members and gain interest.

TEC Tractor use. From now on the Tractor will need to be booked, and its use added to the TEC Calendar. Bookings to be made by texting Kate Cawthorn who will note it in the calendar. This will stop two user groups wanting the tractor at the same time. It will also help manage breakages and maintenance.

Working Bees. TEC will need to have a working bee as soon as the grounds dry out, to tidy up the common use areas. Mowing, slashing, repairs, etc. All User Groups will need to be represented. All Groups will obviously need their own Working Bees. STEA and PC have been asked to assist the other User Groups whose grounds they use for competitions.

Clubhouse Deck. The deck is nearly complete. The existing ramp will be extended past the main doors onto the deck. KA expressed some concern about the unevenness of the surface and asked about liability of the Board and its members in the event of an accident. Kate will raise this with Tim Williams. Emily Dunbabin will ask if her husband, who is a Structural Engineer, to look at the deck and hopefully sign it off as ok.

Riders riding illegally at Tec. A couple of Dressage riders and an owner were seen riding in the Dressage Park without tec membership or being under instruction. This took place during a Show Horse and Show Jumping competition. They were not entered for either competition and were riding on the dressage arenas.

KA was asked to take this back to dressage with a view of writing a letter to the riders. Tec will also write to them.

KA asked if TEC would consider paying for the toilets to be cleaned once a week. It was felt that the user groups should be responsible for taking in turns to deal with the toilets.

Irrigation. Greg Pregnell is heading to Tec to look at work for the new arena, the required repairs to the irrigation control point and moving the K-line outlet that is in the Dressage Park laneway. He will look at the required repairs to the irrigation control point and moving

the K-line outlet that is in the Dressage Park laneway. Question was asked who will pay for these repairs?

Rabbit Holes. An ongoing issue at TEC, especially for STEA. Nothing can be done by DPIWE or Council. Dressage advised they had issues in A1 and the park area. Jo Fish advised that a horse fell at the recent PC Virtual Champs in a rabbit hole near Arena 1. This was not reported to Tec or SZ.

Earth works (drains etc.) We need to get the drains completed so if we have a wet winter we do not flood as badly. The drains need to push water away from the carpark and grass areas. KC will follow up with the earthworks man who has been approached to do the work.

Flattening of other parking area next to show-jump park - Tec will continue to develop this area now. Note that STEA have added some portable jumps in this area.

Fencing of tec area and all-weather arena: to be ongoing consideration as we can afford it. Look at more grants in the future to assist with fencing.

We have the map of areas on what was agreed to by Stea/PC/Tec late last year.

Roof repair (did anyone manage to get a builder as requested?) The roof is in diabolical need of repair.

Financials: Bit confusing due to the Etas money going in but in the main accepted by TH and seconded by KA.

STEA: Nil

SJ Nil

PC: Report from PC nationals will be suppled. A successful event. Trials will be held at Tec next year.

Dressage: Request for toilet cleaning [in body of minutes] and moving of water point for K lines that is causing some concern as to its placement just within the fence line in the dressage park from SJ area.

Casual Users: Nil

Meeting closed 840pm.