



Minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting Dexter Cattle Society New Zealand Inc. Held by Zoom meeting on 10 June, 2023

Council June 2022 – June 2023

President – Wayne Pettersson &

Grant Keymer

Treasurer – Colin Read

Secretary – Robyn Snelgar

Membership – Jillian Walst

Dispatch Liaison – Wayne Pettersson

Webmaster - Grant Keymer

Website Assistant – Bobbie Wisneski

Showing & Judging – Rosalie Bakker

Positions Held off Council

Herd Registrar – Michelle Goodwin

Dispatch Editor - Maureen Pettersson

Research – Tony Cutten

Complaints Officers - Tracey Dovey-Reid

- Julie Rush

Life Members

Alec Meades - 2004

Ian MacDonald - (the late) 2006

Pat (the late) & Patsy Leek— 2008

Steve & Robyn Snelgar - 2021

Nancy Edge - 2004

Peter Lucking - 2007

Keith Wratt – 2008

Note from the secretary – Please accept my apologies for any omissions and/or spelling errors in the member list of those that are in attendance and the apologies. I do ask that names be printed clearly on the attendance, proxy & apology lists.
Thank you

Registrations commenced at 9.00am.

Grant Keymer opened the meeting at 10.08am

With a warm welcome to everyone and went over the housekeeping rules that apply to Zoom meetings

PRESENT:

Grant & Inger Keymer #326, Robyn Snelgar #221& #449, Jillian & John Walst #267, Colin Read #451, Bobbie Wisneski #773, Rosalie Bakker#103, Dayle Flannagan #276, Patsy Leek #28, Tony Cutten #59, Elizabeth Thompson #1229, Keith Wratt #191, Matthew Mole #1229, Michelle Goodwin #1114, Deb Goodwin #1159, Arjan Pederson #103.

APOLOGIES:

Wayne & Maureen Pettersson #369, Steve Snelgar #221, Paul Arcus, Mark Castater, , Simon & Niblett, Callum & Rachel Finlayson, Grant Conway, Sandy Cooper, Karen & Mark Wallace, Ian Bagshaw, Erwin Zeegars, Tony McCombs, James McLay, Adam Shelton, Phil & Mary Hopwood, Margaret Perry, Marion Read, Neville Trevarton, Heather Wratt

THAT the apologies be accepted

Moved by Elizabeth Thompson/Colin Read.....carried unanimously

Obituaries

Shirley Spick – On 30 Sept, 2023, passed away. Shirley was a passionate dexter breeders and an active Bay of Plenty member and Area Rep. She was very active at the Waikato and Bay of Plenty A&P shows.

Grant shared a photo of her on the meeting and Patsy Leek shared her obituary as printed in the Dexter Dispatch last year. Rosalie Bakker also paid tribute to her. Colin mentioned her time as a Bay of Plenty member and her being so active in the society

Terry Whitehouse – On 22nd January 2023, passed away peacefully in his 75th year with family at his side, after a short illness.

There was a minute's silence in remembrance of these past members.

Grant also shared a photo of Wayne Pettersson, he was the President but resigned at the end of last year due to illness. He gave an update on Wayne's condition and paid tribute to him. Inger Keymer shared a prayer for Wayne to ask for blessings for him. Grant informed the meeting that Wayne took on the role of Promotions Officer recently. He has now had a serious health set back and is currently in hospital.

Grant gave an overview of the planned Website Upgrade Workshop planned for later today and gave a quick explanation on the reasons this upgrade is necessary. The website is 12 years old and beginning to show its age and so there are a few technical issues that need to be rectified.

The Herd Registry & Membership Officer are having difficulties matching payments from the members on our current banking system so this process needs to be upgraded. Also, the Registration & Transfer forms sometimes have missing details from members filling in the forms so this needs to be addressed as well to ensure processes flow more efficiently.

Confirmation of Agenda

Grant asked all members to confirm they have a copy of the agenda in the AGM booklet. Members were asked to read the agenda to move that it be accepted. No items were to be added to the agenda.

THAT the agenda be accepted

Moved by Elizabeth Thompson/ Patsy Leek.....carried unanimously.

MINUTES OF THE 21th AGM June 2022:

THAT the minutes of the 21st Annual General Meeting as published and circulated held by Zoom meeting on 11 June, 2022 be adopted as a true and correct record.

Moved by Robyn Snelgar/Bobbie Wisneski carried unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING FROM 2022 MINUTES:

The Remit recorded in the AGM Booklet needs to be updated as the incorrect one is recorded.

Robyn corrected this straight away and checked the 2022 minutes which were correct.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence to approve & accept.

REPORTS:

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Grant Keymer

Grant asked if there were any questions on his report.

Tony Cutten thanked Grant for taking on the role as acting President.

THAT the President's report as published on the website and in the AGM Booklet be accepted & adopted.

Moved by Grant Keymer/Elizabeth Thompson.....carried unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT: Colin Read

Colin asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasury for the last year.

Grant commended Colin on a job well done.

Jillian Walst queried the date printed, just a typo in the year on the report.

John Walst queried the budget for the following year and there was discussion on cost of the website upgrade.

Grant talked about needing to get quotes for the upgrade and deal with this as and when required, possibly needing a Special Meeting for approval of expenditure or deal with this as 2024 AGM.

THAT the Treasures Report and Accounts as presented for 2022/2023 and as published on the DCSNZ website be accepted.

Moved by Colin Read/Inger Keymer.....carried unanimously.

Colin presented the budget on screen and explained it to the members in attendance.

2023/2024 BUDGET: Colin Read

THAT the budget for 2023/2024 period as published in the AGM booklet be accepted

Moved by Grant Keymer/Rosalie Bakker.....carried unanimously.

Paul Woolaston has offered to review the accounts at no cost to the society but it was agreed that a voucher should be given to him.

Colin will purchase a voucher for him.

THAT Paul Woolaston be appointed AS Independent Accounts Reviewer for the 2023/24 period.

Moved by Elizabeth Thompson/John Walst.....carried unanimously.

Council Reports:

Grant asked the members if there were any questions or discussion on the reports published in the AGM booklet.

THAT the Council reports and the reports of Office Holders off Council as published on the website and in the AGM Booklet excluding the Treasurers report be taken as read and adopted.

Moved by Elizabeth Thompson/Deb Goodwin.....carried unanimously.

ANNUAL FEES

Membership Fees

THAT all Membership fees remain the same for the 2023/2024 period.

Proposed by council

Seconded by Dayle Flannagan..... carried unanimously.

Registrations

THAT registration fees cattle Registration fees remain the same for the 2023/2024 period.

Proposed by Council

Seconded by Patsy Leek..... carried unanimously.

Transfer Fees

THAT transfer fees remain the same for the 2023/2024 period.

Proposed by council.

Seconded by Deb Goodwin..... carried unanimously.

NEW COUNCIL:

Due to Wayne Pettersson's illness he resigned as President in November last year.

Grant Keymer has been acting President since that time and he is the candidate for the position of President this year.

THAT Grant Keymer be accepted as President for 2023/2024 period.

Robyn Snelgar/ Jillian Walst.....carried unanimously.

Robyn thanked Grant for always being cool, calm & collected at all times.

Colin Read, Jillian Walst, Bobbie Wisneski & Rosalie Bakker are due for re-election this year. No election necessary.

THAT Colin Read, Jillian Walst, Bobbie Wisneski & Rosalie Bakker be accepted to council for 2023/2024 period.

John Walst/Patsy Leek.....carried unanimously.

The new council for 2023/2024

Robyn Snelgar

Grant Keymer

Colin Read

Jillian Walst

Bobbie Wisneski

Rosalie Bakker

Complaints Officers –

THAT the Complaints Officers - Deb Goodwin and Tracey Dovey-Reid be accepted for the 2023/2024 period

Dayle Flannagan/Elizabeth Thompsoncarried unanimously

Deb Goodwin has offered to take on the role as Assistant Dispatch Editor to assist Maureen with all tasks related to putting the Dispatch together.

Other Positions held Off Council (non-elected):

Current positions are as follows -

Herd Registrar – Michelle Goodwin

Dispatch Editor - Maureen Pettersson

Research – Tony Cutten

Assistant Dispatch Editor – Deb Goodwin

THAT all positions off council be accepted for 2023/2024 period

Patsy Leek/ John Walst.....carried unanimously.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Website Upgrade Costs

The costs to be covered for the website upgrade were discussed.

Rosalie suggested not waiting until the 2024 AGM.

Grant thought it would be a good idea to call a Special Meeting for this once there are quotes received and more information for the members.

John Walst commented that having a reserve of \$20,000 should require a special meeting before this takes place.

Grant said we have an initial \$1000.00 to start with to get quotes etc.

Once we have some concrete information the costs are hard to know.

The website will continue to function ok in the meantime.

Virtual Show Presentations – Rosalie Bakker

Rosalie organized a virtual show for the members where photos of Dexter’s were sent to be judged in the relevant classes.

A lot of entries were received.

The judge was assisted by a trainee judge to make the winning decisions.

Rosalie presented the results and read out all the winners.

The winning photos were also presented.

Rosalie will send ribbons out to the winners.

There were no South Island Entries

Robyn thanked Rosalie for a great initiative at a time when there is very little activity at A&P shows and this also allows members that do not have halter trained cattle to enter the show.

Rosalie said she enjoyed organizing this show. She has further ideas for the future of this show.

All members thanked Rosalie.

Jillian asked Rosalie to put a report on the Facebook page so others can see how this can be done and see the photos of entries and give some notes on the conformation that is being looked for so members can see what the judges are looking for.

Rosalie gave a bit of an overview of the conformation of the entries.

Grant also thanks Rosalie very much for her efforts.

Future AGM’s

Next year is our 30th anniversary and the council hope that we can hold an in person AGM.

He talked about the efforts required to organize an AGM and the team and level of commitment required.

3-4 people at least are needed.

The brief requirements were talked about.

Robyn suggested that Auckland be a suggested venue for ease of travel and organization.

She is happy to take the lead with assistance from other members to organize.

Grant said we need commitment from members attendance to ensure this is worthwhile and meets the quorum.

In person AGM meeting would have the Zoom facility available as well for those members that cannot attend.

Council suggested that we make every 5 years an in-person AGM. This gives a lot of time to plan.

Colin suggested that this be raised every AGM and voted on.

2023 Remits

THAT Regulation 8.6a be changed from:

“Males must be sired by a recognised Dexter bull and either out of a recognised pure-bred dam or a Grade 4 dam registered with DCSNZ.”

To:

“Males must be sired by a **registered** Dexter bull and out of a **pure-bred** dam registered with DCSNZ. **Males must have PHA Negative Status, either by inheritance from both parents, or by testing of the animal concerned.**”

RATIONALE:

If we don't have an ongoing policy regarding PHA testing for bulls, there is a possibility that in future, a PHA Positive bull could be registered as the offspring of a carrier cow, thus undoing all the work just completed with our bull screening programme. Reference to Grade 4 Dam removed as DCSNZ Regulation 7.5 equates G4 with Purebred. 'Recognised' replaced with 'Registered' for clarity.

Remit discussion -

Patsy Leek & Dayle Flannagan agreed this is a good idea

Inger Keymer thought that this concept may be used for Chondro

Grant said that chondro may be dealt with in the future and that council agreed that we should tackle these issues one at a time.

Michelle Goodwin said that members are not completely aware of the actual meaning of tested negative for chondro resulting in incorrect known status of some animals.

John Walst recalled past threatened ramifications from SI members when chondro testing remits were proposed

Votes for the remit –

All members voted in favor of the remitcarried unanimously

Dayle Flannagan was the owner of the cow that has a PHA calf. She wanted to note that she happy that the society has made provisions for control of PHA.

Michelle added some notes regarding recording of PHA results in the Herd Registry..

Patsy leek thanked council for all the hard work they do.

Grant Keymer declared the meeting closed at 12.10pm.

Members were invited to reconvene at 12.30 for the Website Upgrade Workshop.

Workshop commenced at 12.30pm and ended at 1.45pm

President

Grant Keymer.....

Date

Secretary

Robyn Snelgar.....

Date