

Australian Appaloosa Youth Association AGM 21st March 2010.
Australian Equine & Livestock Events Center, Tamworth Lecture room.

Welcome to all youth & those in the gallery by AAA Youth Director Sharon Coldwell.

S Coldwell announced this would be her last AAYA meeting in the position of Youth Director as she was not re-elected to the board. She explained she would conduct the youth events at the 2010 show as a courtesy to the AAA and AAYA.

Meeting Opened 2.40pm

Attendance as per attendance sheet.

Apologies.

As per attendance sheet.

Previous Minutes.

Director Sharon Coldwell made apologies for being unable to supply members with a printed copy of the 2009 AGM minutes. The minutes were read from the AAYA AGM Minute book.

AAYA Bank balance of approx. \$5941.90

This figure was supplied by the AAA office. It was deemed to be incorrect by Director Sharon Coldwell, as outgoing expenses had not been taken into account. Nor had an income from the GRAC donation been included.

The Youth Director to question AAA Office on figures and report to AAYA committee of true balance.

Motion to approve 2009 AAYA AGM Minutes, moved E Tucker Seconded E Hill. Carried.

Business arising from previous minutes.

* Team Challenge 2010- Youth had participated last year but this year the AAAA will not be participating. The AAYA chose to host a Youth Team Challenge at 2010 National show. To be announced at show for willing youth to enter. Teams chosen at random, members to choose 2 events from which points will be allocated. Prize given for winning team. S Coldwell to purchase & donate hand bands of various matching colours to each team.

S Coldwell to organise team selections & AAA Office for the recording of points/placings.

*AAYA Logo.

Several logo designs had been presented to the AAYA committee & AAA Directors.

Final approval had been given by all, on the logo of AAYA with silhouette of Appaloosa foal, blanket being the map of Australia with the words "Life in the spotlight" underneath. Discussion held regarding purchase of AAYA banner. S Coldwell indicated possible min. costing via friends company "Banner & Print".

Youth Director to investigate costs and report to AAYA committee.

* Merchandise/long Term Fundraising.

With the approval of the AAYA committee, merchandise for sale (and as awards) has been purchased. The idea being to promote the AAYA and supply funds from the sales. Merchandise presented to members. To be promoted in the AAA Journal, youth page.

-AAYA custom made buckles. New AAYA logo and detailing.

Purchase cost \$ 3150.00 (15 X large 10 X small)

Large youth to retail at \$190.00, small at \$175.00. A profit of \$15 and \$10 made on each sale.

-Custom Hand bands. "My Breed Of Choice" and APPALOOSA in 5 different colours.

Purchase cost \$ 537.29 (50 X 5 colours) To retail at \$4.00 each. A profit of \$1.85 each band.

-Stickers. AAYA logo B/W.

Purchase cost of \$80.00 buy has been donated (100 printed)

Retail at \$3.00 each. A profit of \$3.00 each sticker.

-False Tail Bags. Made and donated by Youth member Emily Archer's grandmother (Tas.) & Director S Coldwell's mother.

Purchase cost \$ 0.00 (50 made)

Retail at \$20.00 each Profit of \$20.00

An overall profit of approx. \$2337.50 should be made after costs are deducted.

This is a long term sale project which will also promote the AAYA.

The three "trophy" buckles for AAYA President, AAA Youth Versatility and AAA Youth Excellence Award were shown to the youth. Cost was \$ 597.00. The president's buckle would be awarded at the end of an AAYA president's term. The other two were point awards and were for outstanding competition in the show arena.

S Coldwell reminded the youth that anyone could achieve them and for many to check their points with the AAA office to see how close they are to obtaining them.

National Show 2010.

-Runner up high point awards sourced by S Coldwell. Ranchman Saddlery to supply 3 Fold away Saddle racks at the cost of \$40.00 each. Agreement to provide runner up awards for the 2011 Show.

- Youth Feature WP Trophy donated by Southern Cross Saddlery for the AAYA.

- Youth Sportsmanship & Encouragement Awards. Donated by S Tucker & Banners & Awards.

- National show gifts were to be bags but too costly. Horseware and Harrogate Saddlery (Emily & James Hill) donated polar fleece English saddle covers embroidered with the AAYA new logo.

Election of 2010 AAYA Committee.

All positions were declared open by AAA director Sharon Coldwell.

President.

Blazye Williams. nominated by Tyler Pearson, Seconded E Tucker

Emily Hill. Nominated by James Hill seconded E Tucker

Vote Blazye 6 Emily 3

Blazye Williams elected AAYA President.

Vice President.

Emily Hill nominated by Blazye Willams Seconded E Tucker.

Emily Hill elected unopposed AAYA Vic President.

Secretary.

Held by AAA Youth Director.

James Hill offered his services to the position to support the Director.

Treasurer.

Held By AAA Youth Director. Overseen by AAA treasurer.

State Delegates.

Discussion held on the roles of a state delegate and responsibilities.

Tasmanian Delegate- Emily Archer

SA Delegate- Sammy Pascoe

Victorian Delegate- currently Vacant

NSW Delegate- Jacinda Webster

Qld Delegate- Currently vacant

WA Delegate- Currently vacant

AAA Youth Director to seek youth from Vic, WA & Qld that may be interested.

Delegates supply email address for contact by other youth and AAA youth director. To be printed in AAA Journal.

Blazye Williams, president, thanked the out going committee for their work and presented Emma Tucker, ex president, with her Presidents buckle.

General Business.

* S Coldwell asked for opinions regarding the extension of the leadline age as per the HSAA rules ie. 2-10yrs where we currently have it as 2-6 yrs. Majority agreed on the provision that the youth can not enter other ridden events at the show.

Discussions held regarding the possibility of the age groups changing to accommodate 13yrs and under walk/jog/trot and 13 yrs and under normal ridden. The youth recognized that many youth now start riding later and are less experienced.

Suggested age groups-

2-10 yrs leadline

13yrs & under walk /jog/ trot

13yrs & under rider (including canter/ lope)

14-18yrs rider (including canter/lope)

Other ideas-

Novice youth events open to all age youth or 13yrs & under, 14-18 yrs

Newcomer youth: regardless of age. Walk/jog/trot. Not eligible to compete in any other event. Ineligible to re-enter if the youth has ridden in other events.

*HSAA Rule regarding walk /jog events. Concerns raised regarding current rules. Would like to see introduction of 'dummy' spurs for youth as an option. Most seasoned show horses used for these events are ignorant without spurs and youths legs are not strong enough to 'push'. Parents need to be made aware of the rule regarding 1/2 hand for rein control as per HSAA rule book. Concerns raised regarding the safety of the use of gates in the w/j trail events. Would like to see it made as an optional obstacle in the event. These concerns/quires to be raised by new director to the AAA board.

*Nationals Show 2010.

No dog race to gain funds this year due to restrictions.

Fundraising- Raffles

3 X box chocolates and wine

1 X box chocolates and stuffed appaloosa pony

1 X box of electric fencing equipment.

To be displayed at the AAA show office, tickets to be sold at the office.

All youth merchandise to be displayed at the AAA show office and sold there.

AAA Youth Director reminded youth of their needed help around the show if possible and for presentation of the Champagne WP event gifts.

* National Show 2011.

Runner Up Youth High Point Awards. Three needed. AAYA funds to be used, to the cost of \$30-50.00 each. AAYA to again sponsor the Youth Feature W/P Event trophy. However we are to be listed in the program and on the trophies as sponsors.

Youth Sportsmanship & Encouragement Awards to be purchased/seek donations.

AAYA gift for 2010 show- ideas thrown around. Committee and members to give any ideas to AAA Youth director.

*New Fund Raising.

S Coldwell had approached numerous stallion owners for donations of stallion services for sale for the AAYA. All had been receptive to the idea. This fund raiser to be left with the new director to pursue.

In closing S Coldwell thanked all youth and parents for their support and help during her term and encouraged the youth to continue the work they has started. Vice President Emily Hill, presented AAA Youth Director S Coldwell with a lovely bridle bag, embroidered with the AAYA logo.

No Further Business.

Meeting closed at 4.20pm