**Queensland Cavy Council AGM Meeting 1st July 2018.**

Meeting opened at 11:25 am.

Apologies: Stephen Robson, Christine Magson, Jodie Urquhart, Anne Cleland, Jo Collins

Attendance: Club Delegates: Kirra Gerber (SCCC), Gordon Plain (Cairns), Penelope Webster & Julia Millet(Cobs), Lyn Henry Belinda Vorkapic (Bayside),

Committee members: Donna Wright, Peter Wright Jan Louttit, Kathryn McKay, Melanie Barnes.

Peter asked that people speak one at a time, and be respectful while people were speaking and not talk over the top of them.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting, accepted as read. Moved Bayside seconded Cobs.

2. Business arising from last meeting. None.

3. Correspondence.

Informal correspondence, from Tina Ettridge regarding the closure of the North Queensland Cavy Club Inc, this has been notified to the ANCC.

From COBS – Advising QCC of the termination of a member, Linda Brown on June 13th 2018, For a period of 2 years. Whose name has been removed from the QCC list sent to the ANCC.

Other clubs should be advised that this person has had membership revoked.

Email received from a Jeremy O’Hara. “I would like to speak to someone regarding club memberships etc and the difficulties I have had trying to become a member of clubs”.

Jeremy had already been answered by me (M Barnes) through messages on the ANCC face book page. He is trying to register a stud to breed cavies but doesn’t wish to show cavies or join clubs. When advised that in order to register a stud he had to join a Club, he has been trying to join a few clubs to no avail, as he doesn’t wish to meet clubs requirements for new memberships. Kathryn had spoken to him at length on the way to become an ANCC member, but he had become rude due to frustration.

Moved. Bayside & seconded Cairns.

4. State Proposals ANCC delegates meeting…discussion.

A discussion was held on the proposals. Each club will be voting individually on these.

5. Committee reports

(Attached)

6. Election of office bearers

President: Peter Wright

Vice President: Kathryn McKay

Secretary: Melanie Barnes

Treasurer: Donna Wright

Show Secretary: Peter Wright

Assistant Show Secretary: Donna Wright

 Show Steward: Dennis Howe, Gordon Plain

Publicity Officer: Jo Collins

Web Master: Kathryn McKay,

7. Election of ANCC delegates

Peter Wright, Stephen Robson.

8. General Business.

Peter said the printer was not efficient and used a lot of toner that was expensive to buy. Suggested that a new printer be purchased by QCC, Peter to investigate the prices, committee to agree on the price. All agreed. Moved SCCC seconded Cobs

The date of the AGM seems to be at a busy time of year Peter suggested it be moved to February, the first weekend of February, agreed. Moved COBS seconded Cairns.

Meeting closed 1:45pm

Presidents Report

First of all I would like to say thank you to our Office Bearers...

**Melanie** as Secretary who does a great job of keeping the Council Business affairs running, keeping in mind most of that is nearly always around certain dates as they pertain to ANCC business or our own AGM.

**Donna**as our new Treasurer and keeping bills paid... organizing the ability to use an app and mobile access to the accounts has been a great help in being able to pay bills quickly and without the lengthy process of having to use cheques.

**Gordon** as Show Steward was able to step in and organize book Stewards for the State Titles and liaise with the caretakers of the Caboolture Hall and picking up the key, it may not sound like much to some but it certainly helps at the pointy end of show Organisation.

While it may have been a relatively quiet year for the QCC in terms of issues raised by our clubs I think we can all rest assured that this may not always be the case and that we all need to be mindful that we are all ‘part-timers’ in our roles - some of us can work professionally for long hours and what can seem interminable weeks AN THEN put in hours of personal time to perform the roles on this Committee, respective Club Committees and even on National Committees.

Those of you here that do this I truly thank you for being willing to give of your personal time for the love of your cavies and the Fancy in Australia.

Peter Wright

Chairperson 2017/18

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Show Managers Report

Well the last couple of shows I think have been pretty successful.

Again, I cannot thank Donna Wright enough in her role as my assistant, the huge amount of work you do for our shows is phenomenal and very much appreciated!!

Also thanks to Gordon for the work you have put in in organizing the Stewards and as liaison with the Hall Caretakers, again a lot of work that lightened the wee bit I do.

Melanie did a great job in sourcing a lot of the keeper prizes for our 2017 QCC QCC and that again was a great help!

Our Christmas Championship show continues to be very popular and well supported with each edition so far bringing in good entries and good profits for the QCC... these are profits that we (as a Council) are determined to give back to our Exhibitors...

This we can achieve by providing the gorgeous awards (made by Donna) and the crystal keeper awards AND... being able to engage the services of Interstate and International judges - a benefit that we took full advantage of for this year’s State Titles with the engagement of two highly regarded judges from the UK in Max & Jayne Matthews and Australia’s own Robert Brown from Victoria. Indeed we virtually had a full panel of interstate judges with Sarina Etherington and Ken Peddersen judging some of our duplicates and with Jen Ballin living in FAR FAR FAR North QLD she is virtually in another country!!

I have taken the liberty and already engaged the services of Colin Third of NZ as one of our judges for this year’s Christmas Championship and am working on a second interstate Judge - unless we decide on a local yokel!

Just one gripe that comes from the State Titles... Gordon caught an exhibitor washing and drying cavies in the upstairs disabled toilet at the Caboolture Hall.... this was AFTER a specific request not to use those toilets unless absolutely necessary, we wanted to ensure we had a toilet available for our judges when/if needed.
In communication with the Hall caretakers we were informed that the ladies toilets were left in a dirty state and that a mobile bench in the kitchen did not have the wheel locks disengaged prior to being moved, this apparently left a couple of marks on the kitchen floor.

This is the sort of thing that can lose our bond and in fact we will not be reimbursed the full amount as some of it was used for cleaning.

Peter Wright
Show Manager 2017/18
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