

GCSNZ Council Meeting Held via Zoom on 13th August 2020

Meeting Opened: at 09:24pm

Present: Barbara Fitchett (Chair), Karen Futter, Tracy Wood, Susan Nicol, Roger Brownlee, Beth McVerry, Gus Smith

Apologies: Tracey Berkhan

Purpose of Zoom Meeting: To establish connections between all Councillors, via Zoom, to enable future Council meetings to be held in this manner.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting Held September 5th, 2020: Deferred to next meeting.

Matters Arising:

- **a.** Due to the postponement of the Kentucky World Congress until 2021, Council have agreed that the subject of New Zealand hosting the World Congress does not need to be addressed at this time. Notification to the members of the GCSNZ confirming the postponement of the Kentucky World Congress has been done. This item will remain on the agenda until updates have been received as to when the next World Congress will be held.
- **b.** From Inwards Correspondence (27/11/2019 Meeting Rob Hall paperwork Update from Susan Nicol This is ongoing.
- c. From Breed Management (27/11/2019 Meeting) Nick Rattanong Update from Susan Nicol Now waiting for DNA profiles on Dams and Calves.
- **d.** Badges and Certificates of Recognition. Badges of recognition were given to those members who attended the AGM, in Hamilton. Deferred until next meeting.
- e. From Council meeting 19/02/2020 Council agree that Kevin Murphy has paid the fees until January 2021 and is therefore a paid up member until then. Susan Nicol to give him a ring to get an update on his situation.

Inwards Correspondence:

Elizabeth Jeffords – Belted Galloway Semen – Elizabeth Jeffords rang Barbara Fitchett regarding her Belted Galloway semen currently in storage with Gentent (Genetic Enterprises). Barbara is to follow this up and bring further information to the next Council meeting.

Outwards Correspondence:

Maryann Miller – Herd Name: Moonshine – Maryanne rung Barbara Fitchett and advised she wanted to reinstate her membership with the Society, as a breeder member. A membership application was forwarded to her for completion and return to Susan Nicol. Barbara will ring her next week to see if she still wants to proceed.

President's Report:

Copy Attached. Moved by Barbara Fitchett that the report be accepted. Seconded: Susan Nicol All those in favour: Carried.

Finance Report: Bank balances as at 13th September 2020

a. Cheque -00 \$16,539.39 = b. Insurance saver -01 = \$3.116.28 c. Bonus Saver -02 \$17,495.19 = d. Total \$37,150.86 = e. Bills for payment -Mark Von Dadelszen (Legal Advice) \$1,906.75 This account was discussed and Council agreed it was to be paid by the Society. Moved by Barbara Fitchett that the invoice be paid by the Society. Seconded: Gus Smith All those in favour: Carried.

Breed Management

- a. DNA & Inspections Form Gazette entry Council meeting 19/02/2020 deferred decision on this to next year.
- Request for Approval NZ AI Sire Form The request for Approval for a NZ AI Sire Form looks to have already been modified to incorporate G Turner's input that a collection certificate has to be given after any approval from GCSNZ. This form was discussed and Council agreed there were still alterations to be made to the form. Once the alterations are complete the form is to be circulated to Council members. If all are in agreement with the contents of the form, Council will approve a motion via email on a formal basis.

Update – The alterations to the form were completed, however, due to COVID-19 it was not formally approved. Tracy Wood will recirculate to Council members to enable approval at the next Council meeting.

- c. Entering Historical Animals for online herdbook. Update from B Fitchett Now working with our Registrar Susan Nicol to start entering the New Zealand born calves from the imported animals.
- Riggit Galloway Update Still working on By-laws. Rule change was accepted at AGM on Sept 5th 2020. Cost of Register and several other questions have been put to Linda Rule at PBB by Susan Nicol, we are waiting for a reply.
- 2. Membership Report None at this meeting.

3. Promotion & Marketing

- a. New Website Update from Tracy Wood. The website is doing well with more enquiries for advertising. Tracy to look at the ability to upload the video that was shown at the AGM.
- b. Annual Gazette Update for next Gazette. Karen Futter is hopeful this will be published late this year, however, articles are needed from members for this to go ahead.
- c. Communication with all members via phone. discussed by Council.
- d. Country Wide Beef Advertising Agreed we should continue with this but with a change to the copy. Karen will see if she can upgrade it in publisher advertising material deadline 3 April 2021.
- e. New Logo A new logo including the Riggit Galloway was presented to Council. Beth McVerry and Karen Futter both suggested small changes. Tracy Wood to see if she can redesign the logo and bring it back to the next Council Meeting.
- f. Council to keep in mind a different ad in the Dairy Magazine next year.

4. Rules and By-Laws:

- a. Revamping of Breeder Manuals & Rules & Bylaws The Breeder Manual has been on the table for well over a year, and Council agreed that now the Riggit Galloway has been accepted work needs to be started on the Breeder Manual.
- b. Also alpha Mannosidosis Defer to next Meeting.
- **c. By-Law 2** Calf Registrations; wording may need review/alteration. Angela McNaughton submitted wording for this bylaw. A short discussion was held and Council decided to defer this to the next meeting.
- d. By-Law 4 Ear tagging of registered animals; wording may need review/alteration. Deferred to next meeting.
- e. By-Law 3(a) There is a definite time period for the return of the ADL's to the Registrar, however, none for the Calf Returns. The following wording has been suggested for this bylaw and will be brought to the next Council meeting.

This needs to be tidied up and it is suggested an extra sentence be added to the following: (The second half of 3(a) reads as follows:)

<u>A pre printed Calf Entry form is sent to each Breeder Member annually.</u> This should be completed accurately, including all calves dead or alive, sire of calves and all dry cows."

Add – "This return to be forwarded to the Registrar of the Society by April 10th each year."

- f. By-Law 16 Withdrawal of requirement for photograph of semen straw. Deferred to next meeting.
- g. Rule to be put to next AGM regarding 'force majeure'. Briefly discussed at this meeting and deferred until next meeting.

- 5. Regional Reports None for this meeting.
 - a. Northern
 - b. Central
 - c. Southern

6. General Business

- a. AGM 2021 Christchurch Area. Angela McNaughton & Barbara Wickstead to organise this. Beth McVerry to keep in contact with them.
- **b.** Email Tree With the updated members list, the email tree is now held by Karen Futter, Tracy Wood & Barbara Fitchett.
- **c.** Councillor's staying / leaving at AGM. Councillor's Required. Councillor's positions on Council. To be confirmed.
- d. Next meetings. Friday 25/09/2020 at 6:30 pm via ZOOM.



President's Report for Zoom Meeting to be held 9:00am 13/09/2020

Welcome to Gus Smith and Beth McVerry. Please do not be backward in coming forward with your questions and ideas.

The AGM went well on September 5th, and a milestone was created with the acceptance of the Riggit Galloway into the New Zealand Galloway Family. Although our Riggit Sub-committee is on version 2 of the By-Laws for the Riggit Galloway, it was evident at the AGM that many do not know what a Riggit Galloway is, or where it originated from and what the ideal colour pattern should be. We therefore need to work hard on By-Laws acceptable to <u>all</u> of our members, making sure we cover all of these points clearly.

Thank you to Graeme Turner for hosting the virtual show. Karen Futter has taken out the top prize two years in a row.

I thought the dinner was well done with a 'drop down menu'. Congratulations to Susan for organising the day at such short notice.

This year has been a roller coaster with COVID-19 and I would like to see Council make more use of Zoom and Email meetings to enable us to get through all the work that will be required.

Prior to the AGM I phoned all members who had registered for the AGM by the required date and asked if they would be in favour of email voting. The response was 100% in favour. Legal opinion was sort due to differing opinions from Council regarding the holding of the AGM in this manner. It transpired that yes, we could hold the AGM in this way, however there were a number of resolutions which needed to be signed personally by all Council members. Unfortunately the time frame we had left to complete this, was not sufficient to have these resolutions in place before voting or the AGM were due to commence. Fortunately, we were able to hold an 'in person' AGM.

Our next AGM is only six or seven months away and Council is going to be busy.

Regards Barbara