



**GCSNZ Council Meeting Held at 291 McGregor Road, Ohaupo  
on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 9:16am**

**Meeting Opened:**

**Present:** Graeme Turner (Chair), Karen Futter, Susan Nicol, Tracey Berkahn, Roger Brownlee and Angela McNaughton

**Apologies:** Barbara Fitchett, Tracy Wood, Roger Brownlee for lateness

**Minutes of previous meeting held 27 November 2019:** Minutes taken as read for the meeting held 27 November 2019.

Moved: T. Berkahn    Seconded: S. Nicol    All in favour - Carried

**Matters Arising 27 November 2019:**

- a. Distribution of correspondence & other responsibilities etc. between Councillors.  
17/2/2020 - Professional Photographer from Wellington requested a contact to photograph a belted Galloway with a halter – Angela to email membership to see if anyone has one
- b. Letter to Southern Group regarding 2024 World Congress - Graeme Turner has not had time to send a letter. Angela spoke to 2 members of the Southern Group at the Field Days regarding the possibility of hosting the 2024 Congress, Rob Hall is very keen and has ideas, but Jill expressed her concerns about the small number that are active in their group and the Congress is still 4 years away, so hard to know how many breeders will be around. It may be opportune to discuss further at the AGM weekend.
- c. From Inward Correspondence (27/11/2019 meeting) – Barbara Wickstead query for approval of semen from her bull and that the completed inspection form required – update from Tracy Wood – Tracy requested and received a copy of the completed official inspection form from Barbara for her bull. Susan does not have the inspection form yet, Barbara to send to Susan. Defer discussion until the next meeting.
- d. From Inward Correspondence (27/11/2019 meeting) – Rob Hall paperwork – update from Susan Nicol.  
Angela was given the paperwork for Briar Peat from Rob at the Field days and has given to Susan. Rob has been invoiced for outstanding ADLs and transfers. These can now be processed when paid. Briar has been waiting for 18 months for these transfers.  
There is another member Marshall Stokes waiting for paperwork.  
Council to write to Rob to record that the missing paperwork has come to Council's attention and new members are being disadvantaged. Tracey B to draft a letter to Rob to point out that he is currently in breach of the Bylaws and circulate to Council for ratification.
- e. From Breed Management 27/11/2019) – Nick Rattanong – update from Susan Nicol.  
Nick has purchased some registered White Galloway cows from Bridget Lowry with unregistered progeny. The cows ear tags have been verified. Susan has the transfer forms for these cows.

There is also the question of the progeny that Nick would like to register. Council requires DNA proof of Dam and Sire - Pinzridge White Ranger. The calves were from natural breeding but the sire is now dead. Bridget is checking to see if she has any straws of semen previously collected

from this bull left to obtain a DNA profile. Defer decision about the calves until Bridget confirms whether there is any semen to do a DNA test.

Moved: That Council approve the transfer of the two cows to Nick. Moved S Nicol Seconded A McNaughton. All in favour. Carried.

- f. ADL List to have new code for animal breeder member – update from Susan Nicol – defer until next meeting as ADLs are not due until later in the year.
- g. Motion to transfer from Click and Call to Weebly was carried at the meeting held 27 November 2019 – needs to be ratified this meeting. Ratified. All in favour. Carried.  
T Wood yet to invoice for Weebly website cost incurred December 2019.
- h. From General Business (27/11/2019) – Motion to produce special recognition badges was carried at previous meeting – needs to be ratified at this meeting. Ratified. All in favour. Carried.  
These badges will now not be ready for the AGM as there have been delays in manufacture. Issue a certificate at this AGM and send the badge when they arrive. Graeme to do the certificates. Angela to send list.

### **Inwards Correspondence:**

- See attached document at end of minutes  
Council agree that Kevin Murphy can pay a six month breeder member fee pending the sale of his property.  
Nathan Smith correspondence discussed as per Nathan's request. Put a disclaimer on the website in the cattle for sale section that the Society is not warranting the quality of the animals or that the paperwork for each animal is up to date and to beware of the registered status of the animal – we will draft some guidelines for buyers and sellers.

### **Outwards Correspondence:**

- See attached document at end of minutes

Moved: That the inwards and outwards correspondence be accepted. T Berkahn. Seconded: Roger Brownlee. All in Favour: Carried.

### **Presidents Report**

#### President's Report for Council Meeting 19/02/2020.

The wording below is the "Message from the President" which is being published in our Annual Gazette. It pretty much sums up what we, as a Council, have been doing in the last 12 months. We are heading in to our AGM and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Councillors for their efforts during the year, and for all of your support for me as President of the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand, it is much appreciated.

Hello Everyone

Welcome to our First Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand Annual Gazette. I wish to thank Karen Futter for putting most of this Gazette together. Without her input the resulting publication would not have been possible.

2019 has galloped passed and we are now well in to summer and 2020. I hope everyone has had good and safe Christmas and New Year festivities.

During the year, the Council of the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand has been busy establishing a new Website, revamping By-Laws and grappling with the first edition of this Annual Gazette, as well as

agreeing to continue with a previous Council decision, which is a number of years old, regarding the Riggitt Galloway.

The entering of Historical animals in to our online Herd book has been on the agenda for several years, and after further research during 2019 I can now report that we are almost ready to commence with a trial run.

The new website is up and running with more information still to be published. This website is a change from the old format of having a webmaster to do the updating as it is now fully controlled by the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand, with all content being entered to the website by GCSNZ Members. A thank you must go to Tracy Wood for taking on the task of setting this up and making it functional. To check out the new website you can go to

[www.nzgalloway.co.nz](http://www.nzgalloway.co.nz).

Our 2019 AGM in April went well and the winners of the virtual show can be seen within these pages.

Our 2020 AGM will be held in Christchurch from the 3rd to the 5th of April. Please see the back page of this publication for information. Members will receive further information closer to the date of the event.

I hope you enjoy your read and find this Gazette to be interesting and informative.

Regards

Barbara Fitchett

Moved: That the president's report be accepted G Turner. Seconded K Futter All in favour - Carried

## **Finance Report**

Bank balances as at 17 February 2020:

- 00 Transaction account \$27,488.59
- 01 Insurance Bonus Saver \$2,968.72
- 02 Bonus Saver \$17,304.63

Total = \$47,761.94

Bills for payment:

A McNaughton – travel \$316

K Futter – travel \$250

Printing of annual gazette invoice to come.

Moved A. McNaughton. That the Financial report be accepted. Seconded R. Brownlee All in favour - Carried

## **Registrars Report:**

Susan read her report (see attached below).

### Registrars Report February 2020

Wow, is it dry! I hope you are all coping with this weather in the North Island, while those in the South have flooding.

All the 2019 Calf Returns have been sent out in the mail or email to you. You should all have these in the next week. If you don't receive them in the next 2 weeks ring or email me and I will send you an email copy. These returns need to be SIGNED and DATED and sent back to me by the 12 APRIL. I will be away for most of May, so if you could get them back to me so I can get them processed before I leave the country that would be great.

We have had breeder members selling animals to new breeders with the promise of doing the calf returns and paying ADL fees. Once again this has not happened and I am spending lots of time chasing details

and people with no result. PLEASE it is very unfair and off putting to our new members when this happens. I can only do so much. There is NO EXCUSE for this to happen!

Just a reminder that if you are looking at using any of your 2019 Sires' in the future that you need to get the DNA profile processed for that animal before you will be able to register any of his progeny. All I need is the Micro Satellite / DNA number which I will add to the Herd Book details of the animal. This applies to all registered bull calves in the future that are to be used as Herd Sires.

Welcome to all of our new members. Look forward to seeing you all at our AGM in Christchurch on 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

Kind regards

Susan Nicol

Galloway Society Registrar

Moved: That the registrar's report be accepted. S. Nicol. Seconded A McNaughton. All in favour - Carried

### **Breed Management:**

No formal breed management report this meeting, see registrar's report

a – DNA and Inspection Form – Gazette entry – Gazette at printer – defer decision to next year.

b – Updated Service Certificate form -

The Service Certificate will be recirculated by T Wood for any last comments. Will be approved by email.

c – Form for Request for Approval – NZ AI Sire

The request for Approval for a NZ AI sire 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.

d – Entering Historical Animals for Online Herd book – defer to next meeting

e – Riggitt Galloway – update

Good progress has been made. A new Bylaw is being drafted to define the Riggitt colour pattern and their registration requirements. Many re-drafts have taken place and it is intended that a meeting face to face will occur soon which will be helpful. Throughout the Bylaws, adjustments will be required and during that examination of the Bylaws several inaccuracies have come to light that is concerning. They could be typographical errors or simply an oversight. They will be expanded upon at the next meeting.

A Rule change will be required as Galloway is a defined term and the Definition needs to be expanded to include Riggits. That requires notification to propose a Motion at the coming AGM. T Wood to send to Secretary by end of February.

### **Membership Report:**

Angela McNaughton read her membership report.

The last few months have been very busy with Members Manuals to produce and send out as we have had 7 new breeder members in the last 6 months, 2 had previously been Associates. Some of these members have purchased cattle from members that have resigned, so this does involve extra work for both the Registrar and the Secretary/Treasurer, checking if ADL fees have been paid by the previous owner or not, and that the identity of cattle can be established. Communication with members is so important so that new members feel supported and that we are there to answer their questions and explain the responsibilities of being a Breeder Member, as for some it is a steep learning curve if they are new to breeding cattle and being a member of a Society that has Rules and Bylaws.

Roger Brownlee and I attended the Southern Field Days in Waimumu last Wednesday, I spent 5 hours helping to man the GCSNZ display organised by the Southern Galloway Breeders Group. It was a good display with numerous photos attractively displayed on boards arranged around old wooden farm gates, shrubbery, and several Galloway hides. There was no display of live animals as was the case in 2018 due to M. Bovis risk, but also some negative feedback had been received when Galloways were displayed in smallish pens for 3 days, although having live Galloways creates greater interest from the public. The weather was fine and there was considerable interest shown, this ranged from farmers wanting to order bulls for heifer mating both Belted and White, lifestylers enquiring about having a few attractive young cattle to look at in their paddocks, some interested in the beef, and others who wanted to purchase Galloway hides.

As usually happens at this time of year when invoices for subs are sent out, several breeders resigned or changed to Associate membership.

Breeder resignations have been received from: Robin Meiklejohn 80W, Ray Cursons & Gwynneth Verkerk 43B, Phil & Marg Forman 277B, Chris Potbury & Kath Jennings 290B.

Andrea Faulks, Kim Westmoreland & Neil McKerchar have changed to Associate memberships as not breeding.

Associate resignations: Roger Fraser, Richard Dyson. Long time member - Peter Rodgers has passed away last year.

Moved: that membership report be accepted A McNaughton. Seconded T Berkahn. All in Favour – carried.

### **Promotion & Marketing:**

a – New Website – update Tracy Wood

b - Annual Gazette – now at printer – Karen is expecting the draft/printer's proof this week. Updated quote pending. Karen to post to members and overseas societies and will bring a few to the AGM.

### **Rules and Bylaws:**

a – Current Bylaws – motion to accept the changes to the bylaws was carried at the meeting on 27 November 2019 – need to be ratified at this meeting. Ratified. All in favour. Carried.

b – Revamping of the Breeder Manual – Angela and Barbara to confer with this e.g. add buyer and seller guidelines and other items – Also Alpha Mannosidosis – defer to next meeting

### **Regional Reports:**

**Northern** - No report.

**Central** – Graeme reported on a lunch get together of members from the region at Newstead in the Waikato in January 2020.

**Southern** - No report.

Roger suggested that at the Southern Field Days there needed something more to draw people to the GCSNZ display as it was quite quiet. Before payment of the invoice for the stall the Council requests a report from the Southern Group.

### **General Business:**

a – AGM 2020 – A McNaughton – registration forms have been sent out. Dinner menu to be finalised with the motel.

b – PBB Seed Stock – T Berkahn – still to do

c – Email Tree

With the updated members list the email tree is now held by A McNaughton, T Wood and B Fitchett

d - Councillor's staying on or leaving at AGM. Councillor's required. Councillor's positions on Council.

Councillors continuing:

- T Wood, T Berkahn, S Nicol, R Brownlee, K Futter (to be confirmed), B Fitchett

Councillor at end of term:

- A McNaughton – willing to continue but would like another councillor to take on Treasurer position
- G Turner – resigning at end of year at AGM

Minimum two positions to be filled at AGM (including Angela's re-nomination).

e - 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 2020. Keep in mind a different ad in the Dairy Magazine next year.

f – Merchandise - Change the price of the A5 pads to \$6 to recover full cost of new print run.

g - Next meetings.

3 April 2020 – 10.30am (apologies K Futter and S Nicol) at AGM venue (Angela to confirm).

5 April 2020 – 8am breakfast meeting at AGM venue/motel.

**Meeting closed 12.25pm**

## **GCSNZ CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL MEETING 19 FEBRUARY 2020**

### **Inwards & Outwards**

#### DECEMBER

4/12/19 Xero advising a price increase from 18/03/20 of \$2.00 per month.

6/12/19 Phone call from Robert Braham Ashburton wanting to lease or buy a White Galloway bull for over 2 purebred unregistered WG heifers now, and another 2 registered WG heifers purchased from 16W next season. Email: [robsue@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:robsue@hotmail.co.nz)

Circulated this request to SI White breeders, Barbara Wickstead replied that she had contacted him.

11/12/19 Lesley Parkin wanting to update cattle for sale on website, suggested she send her updated cattle for sale to Tracy Wood.

14/12/19 Robin Meiklejohn 80W advised her resignation from 31/12/19 as all stock had been sold. Acknowledged.

19/12/19 Debbie Cameron RAS advising Xmas closing dates for their Head Office.

20/12/19 GCSNZ December Update sent to all members by email with details of our 2020 AGM and Herd Tour weekend, and how to book accommodation, also the 2020 World Galloway Congress in Louisville, Kentucky. 3 members responded with thanks.

#### JANUARY

6/1/20 All Breeder invoices for membership sent out.

15/1/20 David Paterson re Countrywide Beef news and content.

16/1/20 Jill Maxwell requested SI Members List as it was not on website, replied that I would text Barbara to send as I was away and could not access. Sent text to Barbara.

17/1/20 Debbie Cameron with important RAS dates for year.

20/1/20 Advice of Rare Breeds Auction 8 March, forwarded to Barbara Wickstead asking if she wanted to have a display. She said no for this year, but we have the option of an advert again in the catalogue.

26/1/20 Kim Westmoreland responded to my email regarding her cows which she was trying to sell. Has decided to keep them and revert to Associate member as not breeding.

26/1/20 Email from John & Toni Robertson after I left a phone message regarding returned email.

27/1/20 Pivot Design Countrywide Beef 2020 Booking form

31/1/20 Resignation from Roger Fraser Associate.

27/01/20 Phone call from Jillian Shaw Dunedin wanting to buy a 2 yr old Belted bull for over Commercial Belted & Highland cows. Referred her to Rob Hall.

31/1/20 Email from Nathan Smith re purchase of red bull, and the resulting story. (Forwarding email to councillors)

31/1/20 Kevin Murphy has his property for sale, wanting to pay part year 6 months breeder membership as buyer may buy his stock and transfer the herd. Council to decide. Several emails have followed.

## FEBRUARY

1/2/20 Resignation of Richard Dyson as Associate, still in NZ, may come to Christchurch.

3/2/20 Request from Jill Maxwell again for Members List as not received, replied with Members List.

8/2/20 Nick Rattanong re transfer of his purchased cows etc, seemed rather dejected. Replied that I would take his concerns to next Council meeting.

8/2/20 Resignation received from Andrea Faulks 122w, has decided to not breed and just enjoy what she has, will change to Associate membership

8/2/20 Resignation received from Ray Cursons & Gwynneth Verkerk 43B.

10/2/20 Various emails from Nick Rattanong regarding Pinzridge Artic Suzie, also an email and phone call from Bridget Lowry.

12/2/20 Nick Rattanong sent further info re registration of progeny from Bridget Lowry's cows

12/2/20 Request from Barbara Wickstead & Nick Rattanong for consideration to registering miniature galloways as the Australian Galloway Association do. Replied that we have provision in our Bylaws for "miniatures" without the strict standards of measurement that they have in Australia.

14/2/20 Debbie Cameron RAS sent Notice of AGM to be held in Wellington 21 June

14/2/20 PBB info re genetic testing

16/2/20 Resignation received from Phil & Marg Forman 277B.

17/2/20 Registration form and booking info sent to all members by email.

17/2/20 Authorised Sitereh Schouten to place our advert in Rare Breeds catalogue.

17/2/20 Resignation received from Chris Potbury & Kath Jennings 290B.