



Minutes
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
at the NRC Clubhouse, 02 May 2024
6:30pm

1. Welcome

Lexi Pote welcomes everyone. Thanks everyone for a great year and a great turnout. Over 100 NRC members, attendance register available.

2. Apologies

Mandy and Mike Greeff

3. Proposal of 2022 year's minutes

Proposed- Jenny Mauchan

Seconded – Jacqui Tuckniss

4. Matters arising from the 2022 year's minutes

Nothing arising.

5. Chairman's report (Andy Beddow)

THANK THE COMMITTEE -

Lexi

Zeke

Jess

Lisa Marie – Eventing

Jenny - Dressage

Ingrid - Equitation



Brigette – Stepping down after plus minus 15 years. Thank you Brigette for everything. NRC are honouring her with life time membership for all she has done for the club.

THANKS TO ALL VOLUNTEERS, JUMP JUDGES, SCRIBES ETC

BETTER YEAR WITH ATTENDANCE AFTER COVID WE SEEM TO BE GETTING HIGHER FIGURES

SPONSORSHIP – RAWSON – GRAND STANDS

GILVARRY – BLINDS – CAPE PATIO BLINDS – GARY

NEW JUMP SPONSORS – SILVERMINE ACADEMY / SNT SURGICAL NAVIGATION TECHNOLOGY / THE YARD

WALL OF FAME – PLEASE CONTRIBUTE

6. Finance report (Andy Beddow)

Busy Negotiating a lease which needed the Environmental Impact Assessment that carried a cost of R38k. We also have to submit a Tax Clearance certificate which has proven difficult as the previous accountants did not submit the Tax Exemption documentation. This means we have to sort out tax amounts before getting this clearance. Financials are available on SAGE, if you would like to see them please send an email requesting the financials as they are available.

2023 TURNOVER R1,277 Mil

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2023 NET LOSS R9K

2024 SURPLUS R28K

- VENUE HIRE R77K INCREASINGBLINDS WILL HELP
- ARENA HIRE R99K
- EQUITATION IMPROVING DOUBLED FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR
- EXPENSES GOBBLE PRACTICALLY ALL THE INCOME – NEED TO KEEP BUFFER of R100k
- CURRENT REALISTIC BANK BALANCE APPROX R 125 K

7. Equestrian Centre report – (Zeke Murphy)

This past year has been one of significant improvements for our equestrian centre, reflecting our commitment to enhancing the facility's infrastructure and environment. Below is a summary of the improvements and installations we've completed.

Irrigation and Water Management



- **Integration of Borehole Pumps:** All three borehole pumps have been successfully integrated into our irrigation system, equipped with automatic switches to optimize water usage efficiently and provide more water for the grounds.
- **Borehole Pump Replacement:** We replaced one of the existing borehole pumps to ensure a reliable water supply, crucial for maintaining our fields and grounds.

Electrical and Lighting Enhancements

- **Electrical Rewiring:** We undertook a comprehensive rewiring of all electrical points, including lights and plugs. Additionally, the main distribution board has been updated and made compliant with current safety standards.
- **Speaker System Revamp:** The speaker system surrounding the fields and arenas has been thoroughly revamped and rewired, ensuring it works properly during events.
- **Solar Security Lights Installation:** To increase security and visibility, we have installed solar-powered security lights at the speaker poles to deter theft.
- **Alarm System Upgrade:** The alarm system has been upgraded with additional security beams to ensure the safety and security of our facilities and equipment.

Landscaping and Environmental Initiatives

- **Grass Replanting:** The replanting of grass around the clubhouse is ongoing, with an aim to enhance the aesthetic and functional quality of our communal areas.
- **Floral Enhancements:** Thanks to the sponsorship of plants from the Cape Dutch Nursery, we have been able to create new flower beds, adding to the natural beauty of our surroundings.
- **Tree Planting:** The addition of 10 new Cape Ash trees further supports our commitment to environmental sustainability and beautification of the club.

Facility Upgrades and Sponsorships

- **Grandstands Sponsorship:** We are pleased to announce the sponsorship of our grandstands by Rawsons, which will aid in their maintenance.
- **Composting and Fertilization:** Our fields have received continuous attention through composting and fertilizing, improving the quality and resilience of the turf.
- **Eventing Jumps Upgrade:** Some of the eventing jumps have been upgraded, ensuring safety and compliance with competition standards.

Clubhouse Enhancements

- **New Fireplace Installation:** A fireplace has been purchased and will soon be installed in the clubhouse, creating a warm and inviting space for members to gather during winter.



- Future Plans: Looking ahead, we plan to enhance our clubhouse with the addition of a pizza oven and braai area under the verandah, promising many enjoyable social gatherings in the future.

8. Sub-committee reports & discipline awards

- **Show Jumping – Larissa Williams**

I must start with a huge shout out to the Noordhoek grounds people, the grounds at NRC are looking amazing and the arena is getting better and better, the grass cover and quality of the grass is so good now. We will keep working on making the warm up just as good.

We have had several new show jump sponsors during the year and some newly painted jumps which go a long way to make the arena look awesome.

We had 7 graded shows in 2023 with numbers ranging from 105 to 189 and 6 recreational shows with numbers ranging from 130 to 150.

We had a VERY WET derby show in June and so that is why we moved it to a little earlier this year. It couldn't have been too bad as we managed to get Ryan Sander back this year to be our CD

We also held a leg of the WC youth series which included Jumping & Equitation which hopefully encouraged some to try equitation

Thanks everyone for the support and we look forward to many more amazing shows at the NRC

- **Dressage – Jenny Mauchan**

2023 was a good year of Dressage for the club. We held 5 Graded Dressage shows and ran the Dressage phase of two Eventing shows. Our Adult base is growing from strength to strength and our riders are excelling across the province. At the recent Dressage SA champs two of our riders excelled. Mandy Mason won the Elementary championship and Sue Zoltner-Forbes did incredibly well in the Medium coming 4th in the Championship class and 2nd in the Freestyle. Our Junior and Pony Rider numbers are on the low side, and I encourage these riders to join Dressage. Dressage is part of the basic building blocks of each discipline and on the plus side, its costs absolutely nothing to join DSA. I would love to see more young riders joining this wonderful sport. The end of 2023 also saw the retirement of Mandy Greeff from judging. She has been an amazing supporter of our club and sport, and she will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best for her retirement. My hopes and dreams for the future is to have two sand Dressage arenas for us to run our shows in and be able to host higher level tests.

- **Eventing – Lexi Pote**

2023 was a fantastic year for WC Eventing and of course NRC Eventing. Western Cape won all three Interprovincial titles (Pony Riders and Juniors in Gauteng and Adults at George). Each of those teams had one or more NRC members, which naturally means the NRC is the best Eventing club in the country! The competitors at the Junior and



Pony Rider teams handled some very tough tracks and made everyone very proud. Thank you to Catherine Moore for volunteering to run the Eventing whilst the NRC tried to find someone permanent. Catherine did an amazing job and we are so grateful. Now, we hand over the reins to the passionate, enthusiastic and dedicated Lisa Marie Le Cok. Lisa is an absolute asset to the NRC and we cannot wait to see what else she does for the NRC and Eventing.

- **Showing (Lexi Pote)**

Showing is always a difficult discipline to speak about however in 2023 we had a SA Show Riding Champ and a South African Showing Reserve Champion, Olivia Thomas. We also had Daniela Smit win the WC Open Working Hunter title and Tarryn Sissons win the Supreme Working Title. Well done to our showing ladies! We hope to get some more showing riders in the future.

- **Equitation (Ingrid Altmann)**

Noordhoek Equitation has grown from strength to strength each year. Entries are growing substantially and particularly for NRC with over 40 riders. We ran two very successful shows in 2023 and I would like to thank all of our sponsors in particular Seattle Coffee Company, as well as local sponsors as without you we would not be able to run such fabulous shows. I am constantly hounding sponsors so please if anyone here would like to assist please do put your name forward as I am sure you are all tired of seeing my whatsapp's requests for sponsorships We would like to congratulate Daniel Beddow on his incredible Phillip Smith win this year.

Then did prize giving making mention of Ella Murphy's SA Open Pony Rider Championship and Daniel Beddows SA JNR Open Reserve

9. Election of Office bearers

Committee Members Stepping Down:

Brigette Spaltman after 15 years.

New Nominations Received:

Mandy Mason and Sue Cox to be co-opted onto the NRC Committee

Committee Members who are happy to stand for 2024:

- Ingrid Altmann (Equitation)
- Jenny Mauchan (Dressage)
- Zeke Murphy (Treasurer)
- Lisa Marie Le Cok (Eventing)



- Jess Fourie (Vice Chairlady)
- Andrew Beddow (Chairman)
- Larissa Williams (SJ)

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