



NSW Fancy Rodent Society Inc.

Annual General Meeting Minutes

13th October, 2018

Opening

The Annual General Meeting of the NSW Fancy Rodent Society Inc. was called to order at 12.53pm on 13th October, 2018 at the Riverstone Senior Citizens Centre, Park St Riverstone, NSW by Jodi Brock.

Present

Catherine Naismith, Jodi Brock, Kath Dalton, Katy Jenkins, Sandra McLean, Steve Smith, Dianne Osborne, Sarah-Joy Cooney, Paula Zhao, Wendy Culshaw, Laura Smith, Jess Ryan, Tom McLeod, Rachel Sydenham, Shaun Burrridge, Megan Dayhew, Bow McLeod, Liam Brock, Lauren McNair, Meg Taylor, Haley Lashmore, Kathie McNair, Mel Harris, Crystal Gu, Bianca Douglas

Absent

Steph Richardson

Presidents Report

Attached submitted by Kath Dalton

Treasurers Report

Attached submitted by Catherine Naismith

Business

All positions are deemed vacant, we thank the old committee for their support. New committee is appointed as follows:

President – Kath Dalton, Vice-President – Sandra McLean, Secretary – Jodi Brock, Treasurer – Dianne Osborne, Public Officer – Katy Jenkins, General Committee – Sarah-Joy Cooney, Rachel Sydenham, Steph Richardson, Shaun Burrridge, Catherine Naismith, Megan Dayhew

Royal Easter Show Sub Committee – Steve Smith

Royal Easter Show Report attached submitted by Steve Smith

Determination of fees for 2019 \$35 individual, increase \$52.50 Family, Entry fees and capping to remain the same for Club members and entry fees for non-members increased to \$4 per entry with no capping.

ACA – Animal Care Australia Rachel and Sandra representing the Club, currently in the process of submitting a Code of Practice, there will be a membership fee for the Club to join which cover our financial members. All welcome to attend ACA meetings. Rachel to continue regular updates.



Currently refreshing registered breeders list and memberships – Memberships due in August each year for anyone joining 3 months prior to membership renewal their membership will follow through until August the following year. Memberships need to be paid by the end of August. If you are a Registered Breeder and are not paid by 31 August you will be removed from the list.

When applying for registered breeder you must have attended a minimum of 3 shows within 12 months, be a financial member for a minimum of 1 year, have attended one of our Club workshops and be showing rodents with your Mousery/Rattery prefix. You must continue to attend a minimum of 3 shows per year to maintain registered breeder status as well as be a financial Club member.

To sell rodents on our Club Page or at a Show you must be a registered breeder. You must be a registered breeder to advertise your Rodentry on our Club page or at shows. If you are a financial Club member you can sell products (not including rodents) at shows or via our club page. If you are in a circumstance where an animal needs urgent help or a home you can email the committee for permission.

We have entered into an arrangement with Queensland Rodent Fanciers that we have the same rights as a registered breeder in Queensland as they have with us in NSW. If you are a registered breeder with the NSW Fancy Rodent Society Inc. then you are with the Queensland Rodents Fanciers and vice-versa.

Kath presented to the Club with the canvas that was done at the Queensland Gala Show.

We will introduce a \$10 Subsidiary Membership for members of the Queensland Rodent Fanciers this will entitle them to enter 1 show per membership year at the reduced member price of \$2 per entry with capping, they will not have voting rights under this membership.

Stud Listing – Our website will be updated on the registered breeder's page as to whether any registered breeders in NSW will have male rats or mice available to stud. This is discussed with the individual breeder as to what terms they wish to set down for rodent stud, this is not decided by the Club and is a private arrangement.

Steph will work with Katy on maintaining the website.

Show Dates, themes and roster has been announced and was distributed. Roster will be uploaded to the website.

New Code of Ethics have been passed.

Sponsorship and Fundraising – We will be aiming to have Laucke Mills, Fibrecycle and Vetafarm onboard again for 2019. We ask that if anyone is able to help find more sponsors that would be appreciated. Ribbon sponsorship has been successful and will continue.



We will be looking at having Club polos done up in the coming months along with badges for people to order.

Workshops will continue to run given the success of previous ones.

Mentoring Program – As people join the Club wanting to breed and show they will be assigned a mentor to work with for teachings and to assist in gaining more knowledge.

Secret Santa will happen again next show a mouse or rat gift to the value of \$15-\$20

Discussions to take place about ways to improve the raffle going forward.

Two Novelty events to take place at the Christmas show. Entry for both categories is \$2 per entry per category you can have 1 mouse and 1 rat. We will have the Chris award the prerequisite is you must have a rat or mouse called Chris to enter and the best Chris on the day will be awarded, judged the same as pet. We will have a best dressed mouse or rat award also purely judged on the best outfit, awards will be given for both.

The committee will be getting together on 11th November 2018 where all standards will be reassessed.

Agenda for Next Annual General Meeting

Fee Structure, Committee, Pass Minutes from 2017 and 2018

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2.17pm by Jodi Brock. The next annual general meeting will be at 12.30pm on October 13, 2019, at Nelson Community Hall, Nelson Road, Box Hill.

Minutes submitted by: Jodi Brock