

**Minutes of
VIAHA 2023 Annual General Meeting
and March General Meeting
March 6, 2023 St. Stephens**

Present:

Rob Calnan, President
Gerald McDonald, Treasurer
Cindi Wrate, Secretary
Edwina MacDonald, Vice President
Wendy Don, Membership Secretary (via Zoom)
Nichola Wade (non voting)
Kayla Cockle
Jess Bennie, Director at Large (via Zoom)
Amanda Davies (guest)

General Meeting

1. Call to order 7:25pm
2. Minutes adopted as circulated.

Annual General Meeting

Called to Order 7:27

Rob provided a report on the activities of the Club.

He acknowledged the many contributions made to the larger Arabian community by our small but active club.

Gerald provided the year-end financial report. It was noted that an accrual for Saanich Fair monies of \$3,550 has now been paid and will be applied to the 2022 fiscal profit and loss statement.

The 2021/2022 books will be reviewed by Wendy.

Election of Executive and Directors

Rob Calnan, President
Gerald McDonald, Treasurer
Cindi Wrate, Secretary
Edwina MacDonald, Vice President
Wendy Don, Membership Secretary
Nichola Wade, Director at Large
Kayla Cockle, Director at Large
Jess Bennie, Director at Large

AGM concluded at 7:50 pm

Regular meeting recommenced immediately following

3. Treasurer Report for month of February
 - a. Insurance and dues will be due in February as well as registration and show fees.
 - b. Current bank balance is \$5,280.80 \$CDN; \$400.23 \$USD
 - i. Discussion followed regarding the \$USD account.
4. Discussion was held regarding preferred meeting format. The preference is to continue to meet in person as much as possible, with hybrid Zoom/in person meetings as needed.
5. Membership report:
 - a. A few memberships are due for renewal. Wendy will contact.
6. New business
 - a. May 27th show planning included:
 - i. Assigning show management responsibility
 - ii. Suggestions for judges
 - iii. Ideas for recruiting judges were discussed
 - b. Island Classics – June 10th
 - i. Gerald willing to be show secretary
 - ii. Judge lists were compiled; stewards discussed
 - iii. New radios will be purchased
 - c. The Saanich Fair show meeting occurred this week
 - i. Ideas for demonstrations and other crowd-pleasing activities were discussed
7. Cindi made a request to the club to host volunteers for the Region 17 Pre-Show. The club agreed that it could host a volunteer contingency for one of two rings running concurrently
8. Rob shared an opportunity/request from the 'We Love Arabian Horses' organization.
9. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm
Next meeting April 3, 2023