

EAST MIDLANDS WELSH PONY & COB ASSOCIATION, CONSTITUTION.

The Association

The name of the Association shall be the "East Midlands Welsh Pony & Cob Association".

Objects

To promote the welfare, breeding and exhibition of registered Welsh ponies and cobs, and registered Part-breds.

Management

The management of the Association shall be by a Committee consisting of four officers, namely a Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and other members.
For the Committee to be a quorate 5 members shall be present.

The Committee

All committee members shall be paid up members of the Association.

Each member shall be proposed for election by one and seconded by another fully paid up member of the Association.

The proposed, proposer and seconder shall have been members of the Association for at least one full year.

Of the committee members half shall retire each year but may seek re-election.

The Chairperson & Vice Chairperson shall serve for a period of 3 years and may seek re-election. The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for a period of 2 years and may seek re-election. The 4 officers posts shall wherever possible be filled by existing committee members who have served for at least 1 year. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members as necessary to fill any vacancy. Should a committee member miss 3 meetings, without sending apologies then that person shall resign from the committee.

Financial Year

The Association's financial year shall end on the 31st December annually.

The committee shall have the power to deal with all funds of the Association for the benefit of the Association as a whole.

AGM and SGM

The AGM shall be held before the end February annually.

The business at the AGM shall be to receive the Committee's report on the previous year, to receive a full statement of accounts for the previous year, duly Audited by the person appointed as Honorary Auditor, who shall be a qualified Accountant.

To elect the Honorary Auditor for the following year.

To discuss any other business for which proper notice has been given.

To elect to office any Committee places that have become vacant.

Only Members making payment of their subscriptions in accordance with the rules, and who are not in arrears with their subscriptions may attend, vote, and nominate any person or be nominated to office at the AGM.

At all AGM and SGM the Chairperson, or in their absence the Vice-Chairperson shall take the chair.

Any individual member wishing to propose a resolution at the AGM shall give notice, in writing, to the secretary at least one week before the date given for the AGM.

The Committee may at any time and for any reason after giving due notice call a SGM.

The Secretary shall call a SGM at the written request of fifteen or more members stating the purpose for which it is required. No other business shall be discussed at a SGM

Misconduct

The Committee shall have the power to expel any member who shall in any way break the rules of the Association or the Society.

Before such member is expelled the Secretary shall give 7 days written notice to the individual to attend a meeting of the Committee and shall inform them of the reason why.

No person shall be expelled before having the opportunity to appear before the committee and answering complaints against them. Failure to attend will mean instant expulsion.

In the event of any person, whether member or not, using abusive language or threatening behaviour to any committee member, show organiser, judge or steward, then the committee reserve the right to vote unanimously that the said person be banned indefinitely or for a period agreed upon.

Date: 1st January 2012

Review Date: January Annually

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