

## Sports Shear Australia Association

**Agenda: ECOM meeting December 7<sup>th</sup> 2025**

*Via Zoom*

**Meeting opened: 10am EST**

Present:

SSAA Chair: Dave Lawrence

SSAA Sec: Cassandra Rowe

SSAA Tres: Stephen Russell

SSQLD: Alexander Schoff

SSNSW: James Russell

SSTAS: Scott Jones

SSVIC: Lisa Wardlaw, Stuart Grigg, Daryl Wallace

SSSA: Steph Brooker-Jones

WACSA: Jenny Carter, Wes Baker

Immediate Past Sec/Tres: Raelene Laidlaw

Apologies: Paul Myers, Tammy Mudford, Tom Kelly, Phil Edwards, Karl Goodman

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### **CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME**

Apologies for missing some names during introductions and thanks to the outgoing committee for their efforts. Welcome the new committee and hope for a smooth transition for the new committee and recognise that some people may have been missed for this meeting as the new committee find their feet and strive to do better next time. This meeting will be a brief catch up to touch base before worlds. Due to personal reasons there is no report as such.

2. Minutes of ECOM meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Moved:** Wes Baker    **Seconded:** Scott Jones

3. **Treasurer's Report**

Opening Balance 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2025: \$15,876.75

Total Income: \$21,502.59

Total Expenses: \$16,694.68

Total Cashbook SSAA Balance as at 5<sup>th</sup> of Dec 2025: \$20,686.66

Total Term deposit: \$83,885.04

Outstanding invoice out- Commercial Hotel Jamestown

Outstanding invoice in- States for grades of shirts from Stockowners not covered by sponsorship.

**Moved:** Raelene Laidlaw

**Seconded:** Scott Jones

#### 4. Correspondence In

10/10/25 Media Enquiry regarding Jamestown  
2/11/25 Australian Trans Tasman events with NZSS  
3/11/25 NZ Country specifics from Golden Shears and forwarded on  
3/11/25 AGM minutes from Raelene  
4/11/25 David Lawrence AWI sponsorship  
7/11/25 Ruan Evans Breaking Dad TV show NSW  
8/11/25 Jamestown Show judges' lunches invoice  
10/11/ 25 Golden Shears team information follow up  
10/11/25 Doug Laing Waimarino Facebook  
10/11/25 David Lawrence ECOM meeting  
13/11/25 Docusign AWI funding agreement  
16/11/25 David Lawrence Agenda items  
21/11/25 SSVIC agenda items  
25/11/25 Maria Terzis AWI payment advice  
25/11/25 Golden Shear regarding Championship form completion  
25/11/25 SSVIC additional agenda item  
30/11/25 Commonwealth Bank CommBiz activated  
2/12/25 Zoom codes and links relating to set up of Zoom for SSAA  
2/12/25 SSVIC secretary Zoom link missed participants  
3/11/25 Golen Shears missing form follow up  
3/11/25 SSAA handover information Raelene Laidlaw

#### Correspondence Out

15/10/25 Agenda for AGM and General meeting to ECOM and interested parties.  
16/10/25 3 day schedule sent out

5. **State Reports** not available at this time due to recent in-depth meeting

6. **Nationals** -A good event all round and thanks to judges and competitors. It was discussed that in future all disputes whether heat of the moment or not to remain above board \$50 dispute fee must be taken.

7. **Protocols** -Nothing arising

#### 8. **General Business**

Delegates for world council meeting.

Nomination Stuart Griggs and Tom Kelly. Geelong happy to pay for Tom Kelly airfares to be delegate. Stuart accepts Tom accepts. Accommodation paid by World council.

Motion Stuart Griggs and Tom Kelly to represent SSAA as delegates at World Council meeting. **Moved:** Lisa Wardlaw **Seconded:** James Russell

\*SSAA Zoom account, at the request of Dave, Cassandra has set up a zoom account at a cost of \$276.36 annually. At this time it was decided to go with Zoom as it was the system that had been previously used. When it comes time to be renewed we will look at possible cheaper options. Many thank to Raelene for the use of her zoom account in the past.

Motion that zoom be made available to all affiliated states for use of Sport Shear associated purposes, states are to contact Cassandra for a link to be made for them.

**Moved:** Cassandra Rowe

**Seconded:** Alexander Schoff

\*Trans Tasman events- Gore Southern Shears, 60<sup>th</sup> Gala dinner 19<sup>th</sup> of February at a cost to us, they will be providing accommodation to 3 shearers and a manager Thursday to Sunday and all meals while at the show. Cost of Gala dinner is unknown at this stage.

Hire car from airport to Gore to be coordinated by Wes.

Beclutha Show wool handling accommodation provided, information has been passed to Clare Lowe, Alexander and Rachel.

Raelene has forwarded competitor and judge information to both shows.

\*Worlds- Forms must be filled out by tomorrow and returned. Dave has forwarded to Tom and Stuart will follow up with him this evening. Raelene has suggested Morea is to use her green wool handling blazer and that has been accepted. Blazers are in the process of being made.

\*Craig French has asked for merino polos for wool handling. AWI would like to fund it.

\*Discussion of National finals sheep to be picked out, for evenness. Possibly for Protocols to look at further.

\*Warrnambool 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> of October 2026 for Nationals

\* Need to look at putting together Sponsorship Proposal Package. Cassandra to look at.

\* Stockowners sponsorship contract ends 2026

\* Sponsorship clashes information has been updated in new Nationals packages.

\* Dave to address Stockowners letter that was read at Nationals.

\* Perpetual trophies Shear Outback at Hay

Already have- Wool handling, Shearing, Blade Shearing. Trans-Tasman stays in NZ. No teams event one.

\*Cassandra to come up with wording to have 3year term position holding of executive roles. Have rolling roles only one role to change each year. Needs to be put out as a special resolution.

\*SSAA may have to pay an extra night at Chanel Court for Tuesday as NZ pays WED-SAT. Stu to looking into.

\* Clutch Digital webpage, AWI have previously paid, Craig French has suggested SSAA should be taking over the financial responsibility.

\*Falkland Island letter of request of support to become part of the World Council.

Unanimously decided to supply a letter of support written by Dave.

**NEXT MEETING 29/03/26**

**MEETING CLOSED 12:07pm**