



**The Welsh Pony and Cob Society
of South Africa
Council Newsbrief
May 2016**

- **Council 2016/2017**

At the Annual General Meeting and subsequent Council meeting the following members were elected to Council:

Mr. Paul Carstens (President & Western Cape Council Member)
Mr. George Muller (Vice-President & Treasurer)
Ms. Sue Cook (Secretary)

The following Council members were elected by/ appointed from their Regions:

*Mr. Jack De Villiers (Northern Region)
Adv. Willem Edeling (Free State & Northern Cape Region).*

- **Annual General meeting 2016**

The following proposals were unanimously accepted at the A.G.M. 2016

1. Clauses 7.4. & 7.5 - modified to allow email and sms messages to be sent to members without them having to specifically request this service.
2. Clause 9 - modified to reduce the number of Council members from 9 to 7. These will be 5 regional Council members, a Treasurer and a Secretary. Newly-elected Regional Council members will take their place at Council at the next Council meeting immediately their election.
3. Breed classes at National & Regional Championships will be foals (under 12mnths) ponies/Cobs 1yr & over but under 4yrs (Juniors), ponies/Cobs 4yrs & over. Classes, other than foals, will be split by gender and Barren mare classes will still be separate. Should entries permit classes may be split further by age.

- **Finances**

There will be no increase in any fees for the period April 2016 to March 2017
In future no administration (including DNA testing) will be completed without payment on submission of the work unless the member has a credit balance with the Society. Pro-forma invoices will be issued for administration submitted without payment and the work will be pended until payment is received.

- **C.E.M.(Ministry of Agriculture notification).**

As of April 2016 CEM certificates for stallions will be valid for 2 years so any stallion tested negative in 2016 will only need to be tested again in 2018.

- **Honorary Life membership**

Honorary Life membership has been awarded to Mr. Michael Bernstein for services to Council and Northern Region.

- **National Championships 2016**

Results of the National Championships are available on the website www.wpcs.co.za (Shows – results). Photographs of the show are available from Equerry photographers, www.equerry.co.za (orders)

- **National Championships 2017**

The next National Championships will be in Cradock at a date to be confirmed.

