

**To: Michael Goodwin  
The Secretary  
New Zealand Miniature Horse Association  
Myross Bush  
RD 2  
Invercargill**

**The undersigned, being members, put this request in writing for a special general meeting.**

**Purpose of Meeting:**

To consider and vote on the following resolutions:

1. That NZMHA revoke all Stallion Soundness Certificate DNA requirements and the DNA elements of registration, either proposed or currently in place.

*Rationale:* This resolution provides a return to the status quo and allows the opportunity for the members of NZMHA to be given sufficient information and properly consulted.

2. That sufficient information be provided in regard to the DNA testing of horses for registration purposes to allow informed choices to be made by members. That information to include:
  - An explanation of what DNA testing is and how it fits into the registration process should be made available to each member.
  - The reasons why the DNA testing of horses has been considered necessary.
  - All details of attempts made by NZMHA to use DNA results of horses that have been tested for AMHA registration.
  - Full details of local or overseas companies/organisations capable of performing the DNA testing process together with comparative costs.
  - Discussion of information ownership with respect to DNA test results and their evidential status.
3. That all regular members are to be given the opportunity to vote on a constitutional amendment in accordance with the rules and regulations of the New Zealand Miniature Horse Association on any proposed change to Stallion Soundness Certificate DNA requirements and the DNA elements of registration and/or any changes already implemented by NZMHA council.

*Rationale:* There is a lot of confusion around the implementation of DNA requirements for colts to pass their Stallion Certificate of Soundness. A number of members feel that

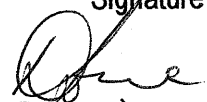
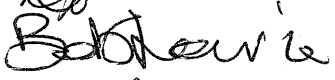


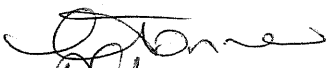

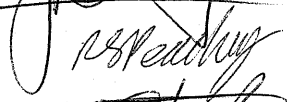





NZMHA council has not been vigilant enough in communicating that the change was to take place and indeed the reasons behind the change. The change was hurried through council with almost no communication from council worthy of such a large change to processes.

4. That NZMHA run three regional shows in the North Island.

*Rationale:* Two thirds of NZMHA membership resides in the North Island. There is also a degree of geographical isolation involved within the North Island. Two Regional Shows will limit competitors – financially, Hi-Points and also raises the carbon footprint for people having to travel great distances to attend shows.

**Our preference of meeting time and place is Auckland on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

*Rationale:* The majority of the undersigned live in this region, it has a central hub airport close to one of the larger concentrations of members and the meeting is appropriately timed with respect to constitutional provisions. We expect this would be given serious consideration as evidence of good faith towards all members by elected officials.

	Signature	Name
1		Deirdre Laurie.
2		R.J. Laurie.
3		R O Day.
4		Briar Mirabito
5		Carol Turner.
6		Robyn Storey.
7		Rachel Peachey.
8		Denise Stokes
9		Maralyn Richards
10		Margaret Miles
11		Jan S. Annett
12		Sandra Spekreyse

**Excerpt: GENERAL MEETING - ARTICLE 16**

1. The Council
  - a. may at any time convene a special general meeting;
  - b. shall convene the Annual General Meeting of the Society as and when the Council shall determine, provided however that such a meeting is held within four (4) months of the end of each financial year. The AGM of NZMHA shall be held in the South Island every three years.
  - c. shall, within 30 days of
    - (i) receiving a request in writing to do so from not less than ten (10) members, convene a special general meeting for the purpose specified in that request; or