



**BD Scotland Region
Minutes of Members Meeting
Held At Morris Equestrian Centre
Saturday 24 February 2018**

Present: Debora Adamson (Chair) Sharon Lindop
 Emma Stewart (RDO) Gillian Peters
 Kerry Sutherland Caroline Paterson

In attendance: Clair Moir (BD Youth Director)

Opening by Emma Stewart (RDO)

Emma welcomed all members to the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance. Emma introduced members to new BD Scotland Chairman, Debora Adamson and thanked Claire Moir for joining the meeting as representative of the board.

Questions were requested (via newsletter and Facebook) to be submitted by email prior to the meeting to allow for us to provide comprehensive answers and seek clarification from the CEO if required. Emma confirmed that no email questions had been submitted prior to the members meeting.

Emma updated members of the new appointments to the regional committee and reminded members of the existing members:

- Chairman – Debora Adamson
- Elaine Simpson – Senior Training Rep
- Kerry Sutherland – BD Youth Rep
- Gillian Peters – Judges Rep
- Caroline Paterson – Judges Rep
- Amelia Ratcliffe-Smith – Marketing Rep
- Sharon Lindop – Marketing Rep
- Claire Molyneux – Para Rep
- Diana Zajda – Coaches Rep

Emma gave a brief overview of the plans for the year.

- Para Day Camp on 11 March. Having struggled with numbers for para activity we are delighted that this day is fully booked.
- BD Youth Easter training camp at Highfield Equestrian at Howe on 12 / 13 April
- Pre-regionals senior training camp at The Cabin on 18 / 19 June



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social event – regional trip to Bolesworth International Show. 13 / 14 June• Regional teams events for seniors & BD Youth riders. We would love to see lots of members aim for these fun events which are great for development <p>Chairman’s Introduction</p> <p>Debora provided members with background on herself and why she has become involved with BD Scotland region. Although only officially assumed the position as Chairman recently Debora has been working with the committee since Q4 in 2017. Debora believes that regional challenges need to be tackled positively to find solutions for all. Having now finished the recruitment process for the committee vacancies the make-up and skill set of the regional committee is strong and Debora is pleased with the progress so far. Debora highlighted to members that the committee are working hard in the background and although activity may not always be visible it is happening. The first meeting of the committee will be in March 2018 and then we plan to share our focus with members by summer. Debora would like to see the development of ‘Team Scotland’ and see strong representation at all the team competitions.</p>
	<p>BD Board</p> <p>As representative of the BD Board of Directors Claire emphasised that the board are keen to communicate with members and are working hard to do this better. The board welcome feedback and utilise meetings such as this members meeting. Claire thanked the input from regional committee members and reminded members that all committee representatives on regional committees are volunteers who are working extremely hard for the sport.</p>
	<p>Questions</p> <p>Although no questions had been submitted prior to the meeting Emma opened the floor for questions.</p> <p>Derek Pullem asked with the website, newsletters and social media - what the go to place for information? Emma answered that information is put on the Scotland page of the BD website and on Facebook at approximately the same time however there is sometimes a short wait before the information is circulated in a newsletter to avoid members being bombarded with a number of emails containing small pieces of information. Members should keep an eye on the website and Facebook page for new information.</p> <p>There was no further questions. Members were invited to ask questions in a one-to-one environment at the end of the meeting if they preferred not to ask questions in a public environment.</p>



	<p>Conclusion</p>
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	<p>Before the conclusion of the meeting Emma took the opportunity to thank all volunteers who give up their time to make dressage possible and put on such great competitions such as the Regional Championships taking place that weekend.</p>
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	<p>Emma thanked all members who attended the meeting and wished them well at the competition.</p>
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