



I hope all members had a great xmas with their families. What a turn around there has been with the welcomed rain and escalating cattle prices. Unfortunately not everyone is out of the woods with the dry weather and we can only hope your turn is very soon.

In December the NCCA AGM was held in Tamworth. Evan Acton remains President with Jamie Dowling (SCA) Vice President. Tony Bowden, long serving NCCA secretary/ treasurer stood down for GCA secretary Cheryl Joosten to take over the reins. At the meeting various items were discussed as well as some minor rule changes. These changes are listed further on in this magazine. Two major points of interest were that the blood rule remains with no re run and the other one is a notice of motion for the next AGM regarding all campdraft stallions to be behind panels at all times. The ACA is seeking member feedback on the stallion containment issue so a positive outcome can be resolved at the next AGM.

St George is gearing up to host the ACA national finals in April. With expected large entries it should be a great few days of campdrafting and entertainment. The new ACA open cut out horse title will be exciting to watch as well as some of the horse and rider titles that are being closely contested. All financial ACA members are allowed to attend the national finals, providing their horse is ACA registered as well.

As this magazine is being printed the management committee has a two day meeting scheduled for the 14 th and 15 th of Febuary in Roma. Also in Roma on the 13 th is the nomination forum for any members to attend to discuss current nominating processes.

The office welcomes two new staff members, Candice Carlson has taken on the Finance & Admin assistant position while Maygan Flemming has started in the trainee position. These ladies will join Operations manager Fiona Sharp and Stacey Murray who has been organising the ACA news. Sue Waldron continues to do the standings points and the Country Life reports.

Members are asked to respect committees grounds and facilities. Unfortunately the office is receiving too many calls from committees regarding competitors letting there horses damage shade trees and parking in areas that are not designated for parking. Also with the large entries at drafts some competitors. Are taking up excessive amounts of room to camp in. Please all members think of the committee and your fellow competitors when making these decisions.

Until next time happy Campdrafting.

Thanks,

**Ian Atthow**

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