General Meeting Minutes of the New South Wales Branch of the Australian Brahman Breeders Association held Sunday 25th November 2018 at the Evans Head Hall.

Meeting Opened: 11.09am

Present: (As per Attendance Book) Glenn Pfeffer, Dawn & Max Johnson, Colin & Katrina Johnson, Stacey Clark, Gordon & Margaret Clark, Jess Sivewright, Luke Allen, Grant & Jo Bulmer, Kristy & Dave Sullivan, Julie & Graeme Clarke, Kruze Boucher, Tim McMahon, Karina & Brendan Disson, Cindy Campbell, Sophie Bulmer and John Campbell.

Apologies: Tom Chavelly, Sarah Sivewright, Dylan Brown, Alex Sullivan, George Jacobs, Bernie & Bronwyn Schneider, J & I Fahey, Alex Ashwood, Green Family

Motion that all apologies be accepted. Moved Jo Bulmer. Seconded Brendan Disson Carried

Minutes from previous meeting were read.

Motion that minutes from the previous meeting were correct. Moved Stacey Clark. Seconded Max Johnson Carried

Business Arising From Previous Minutes:
* The Sivewright Family have put up a memorial trophy for Stephen Sivewright for Supreme Brahman Exhibit at the North Coast National Show.
* A letter from our 2018 Junior Beef Rockhampton Show Representative, Megan Green, was read thanking the NSW Branch for the opportunity to attend.

Correspondence:

In
• Sarah Sivewright – Kingsbrae Invoice Primex Sawdust
• ABBA – Invoice for Agquip Promotional Items
• Sivewright Family – letter Re Memorial Trophy for Lismore Show
• Alex Ashwood – Letter RE Sale proposal
• Kingsbrae – Invoice for Primex Sawdust Clean up
• Megan Green – Junior Beef Rockhampton thank you letter
• ABBA – email RE Agquip Funds explanation
• ABBA – Budget 2019 application

Out
• ABBA - Kingsbrae Primex sawdust invoice to be paid
• ABBA - May 2018 meeting minutes emailed
• ABBA – Xmas party and meeting notice email blast request
• ABBA – Kingsbrae Primex invoice for clean up
• ABBA - 2019 Branch Budget submitted
• ABBA - email to request the Primex back page advert be dropped

Motion that the Inwards and Outwards correspondence be read and dealt with. Moved Jo Bulmer and seconded Dave Sullivan Carried
**Treasurers Report:** No Report as Finances are all dealt with by ABBA head office in Rockhampton

**Federal Council Report:** (As per Annual General Meeting)
The NSW Branch has $4,246.08 in equity in the association. Glen Pfeffer spoke on points from his report which was tabled. The Association remains in a sound financial position with a profit of $252,793.00 which was an increase from last year. Increase in calf recordings however a downturn in transfers compared to last. Membership is at 951 active members, which is down 29, with NSW having 80.

Bin projects are ongoing and a part lease of a Mundubbera property, “Narayen” has been completed and will be managed by the Central QLD Uni where all cattle will be consolidated onto one property. A field day at Narayen is set for early March 2019. Rockhampton Brahman Week sale saw 804 bulls sold to average $9,639 with a 95% clearance.

Motion that the Federal Council Report be accepted. Moved Glen Pfeffer and seconded by Luke Allen. Carried

**General Business:**
- Jeff McCamley Memorial Scholarship to attend the 2018 Rockhampton Junior Beef Show was talked about. Dominic Anderson was nominated by Glen Pfeffer. Cindy Campbell suggested Brad Disson, but he is only 13. Aaren Bulmer suggested by Luke Allen but it was thought he wouldn’t be able to attend with other commitments. Motion that Dominic Anderson be asked if he is able to attend the 2019 Rockhampton Junior Beef Show as the NSW Branch representative and if he declines Brad Disson to be asked. Moved by Glen Pfeffer and seconded by Dave Sullivan. Carried
- Bos Indicus camp 2019 will be organized by the Brahmans. Date to be set. We need to ask ABBA head office for $500 sponsorship, this will be on top of the Budget. Greg Fawcett has been booked for the weekend to do an AI and reproduction talk. Roger Evans was suggested for a muscle scanning display and discuss supplementary sale sheets.
- A letter from Alex Ashwood was tabled and discussed in regards to a proposal of a stand alone Brahman sale. Committee members spoke and felt that they are happy with how the NSW Stud Female and F1 female sale is currently being run and that it would be better to work on promoting and supporting it. The committee noted that we also have the Casino All Breeds Sale in July.
- New Primex date will be 16-18th May 2019, week before Casino Beef Week. MSA grow out trail that members should keep in mind. Need to look at a cheaper alternative or source for sawdust to cut some coats. (37 cubic metres at $26 per unit plus GST.) Wood chip under sawdust was suggested. Dave Sullivan will talk to a few people. The cattle judging area will be moved over near the dog trail area and a lane way with security to block people off will be set up to get cattle over there.
- Glen Pfeffer would like to see some of the Equity money used as a sponsorship or a memorial shield for past members i.e. Earl Bulmer and Spencer Spinaze for Grand Champions at the North Coast National (Lismore) Show. Glen Pfeffer moved a motion that a letter be sent to the North Coast National Show Society asking if it is possible for the NSW Brahman Branch to supply 2 memorial Shields for Grand Champion Brahman Male and Grand Champion Brahman Female in memory of Earl Bulmer and Spencer Spinaze and look at the cost of 2 shields. 2nd Gordon Clark.
- Grant Bulmer has put some thought into promoting the Brahman Breed other then Primex and has come up with an F1 field day. With so much going on at Primex and the costs it was decided to run at another time. George Jacobs was approached to run a field say at Mogul Brahman Stud and alternate to other properties in the area id successful. $4000 has been allocated into the NSW Branch budget for the day. There will be portable panels and the day will be open to all breeders to showcase their cattle if they want. Some sponsorship has already been sourced. Each person arriving will receive a sample bag and anyone is welcome
to put stud flyers or whatever in the bag. Several guest speakers have been organised and confirmed. Date is set for the 1st June 2019. Need to look at a sponsor for the catering. Gwen Dockrill may be able to do the morning tea. BBQ lunch. Flyers to have an RSVP for catering. The date was set for after Primex so advertising flyers can be handed out, even postcard size and also promote at the Female sale in April. NCMC are prepared to put it in their newsletter. Need to speak to ABC Rural Report, The Land may also do a story, agents might advertise. Darren Perkins to MC. No cover charge to public or cattle studs who wish to attend. Trade sites such as Norco or ongmac etc. do we ask for a site fee? Other ideas such as approach Matt and Kate Morgan to do a live preg test/scanning demo. Will need to look at bringing next meeting forward to discuss female sale, Primex and Field day.

- Nsw Brahman Female and F1 Commercial Female Sale set for the 27th April 2019.

**Next Meeting:** General Meeting to be held on Sunday the 31st March 2019, 10am at Mogul Brahman Stud, 200 Fardons Lane Yorklea Via Casino NSW 2470.

**Meeting Closed:** 12:07pm

*Chairman ~ Grant Bulmer*  
*Secretary ~ Stacey Clark*