

## **Presidents Report 2025**

Another year seems to have flown by and again I find myself here writing this report for our AGM. Firstly, I would like to thank all our members who continue to support the society by joining every year.

The Society continues to support A and P shows around the country by offering sponsorship to help towards running our Pinto rings which are qualifiers for Horse of the Year. Speaking of which, there was a lovely turnout of some eye-catching pintos which was great to see.

For the first time in a few years, along with the South Island Pinto Show, we ran a stand-alone North Island Show for our members. A lot of thought was put into this show to give our North Island members what the South Island have. Much consideration on where to hold this show was taken by looking at the concentration of our membership base in the North Island and travel times/distances. Unfortunately, as the saying goes you can't please all of the people all of the time but there seemed to be only a handful of public detractors and the show was well supported. I thank all those who supported the show and our two North Island members who stepped up to help make it happen. To Zoe, our South Island Show organiser, who stepped down after this seasons show, thank you also. Time to see you back in the ring!

This leads me to just remind members, our committee are all volunteers...some of us have even hung up our pinto boots but we are here doing this for the good of the society....not for our own gain. So just remember, if you have a concern, question or want something addressed, this is easily done without being rude or getting personal and if something is addressed and doesn't go your way, accept it gracefully. No one, especially volunteers, need to be treated with anything but politeness and respect.

And to those volunteers, our committee, thank you for all your work in what you do. These ladies are a great bunch to work with for our Society.

With that, I look forward to the upcoming season and seeing all the lovely pintos out there competing across the board.

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