



Next General Membership Meeting

Tuesday September 16th 6 pm **note earlier time**

Location: Jane Ringolsby's Home

Address: 1526 Fox Chase Road

Co-host: Grace Hodges

Program: Preparation for the Annual Schooling Show

Minutes of the August 19th 2014 Meeting

Members Present: Laurie Box, Kim Giffin, Bitsy Heckert, Jane Swanhorst Ringolsby, Bill and Sue Gentle, Grace Hodges, Caryn Malone Bostron, Becky O'Leary, Diane Wenzel, Ruth Benson and Terry Whitenight.

Business Meeting

Old Business

Kim Giffin reported that she completed the audit on the Treasurer's records and all checked out perfectly.

Jane requested an updated membership list.

New Business

Treasurer's Report - Sue Gentle reported the checking account balance is \$9,836.54. The recognized show that was held in June was profitable for the club. Total income associated with the show was \$9,579.50 and total expenses were \$8,608.60 which resulted in a profit of \$970.09. Two contributions to the recognized show that greatly contributed to the bottom line were the silent auction which brought in \$610.50 and sponsorships which added up to \$1,675.

Recognized Show recap-Bill Gentle had recommended to the board that we send a cash gift to the Fire Department to thank them for their commitment this year to keep one EMT at the show at all times. This allowed us to fulfill our requirement of having an EMT constantly available and eliminating the need to halt the show if the EMT was called away. There was some disagreement within the board over as to how to give the money- directly to the fire department (with the possibility of it going into their general fund) or giving the money to another charity on their behalf. Grace volunteered to follow up with information on gifts to the Fire Department so we can thank the Fire Department for their contribution to our show.

Bill also brought up the topic of contracting two judges for our June show. This is based on feedback that many members got from the competitors. There are pro and cons to this idea. There is a good chance for more riders to enter but obviously we would have more expenses associated with two judges and there is a lesser possibility of finding judges that would want to travel and judge for just one day. This topic is still open for consideration.

Future of the Recognized Show- There has been some concern about the Recognized show continuing as we have no new volunteer for a Show Manager. Jane has been in discussion with Heather Peterson and Jon Haugen about acting as the Recognized Show's Secretary and Manager. Heather would serve as Secretary. She would line up judges (she thinks she could find two if needed), set up the arena, get office running by the Thursday before. She has many "dressage world" contacts. Jon has a volunteer base of 20-25 people that he can call on to fill the duties of running the show. According to Jane, Northern Colorado dressage shows are dwindling and it is Heather and Jon's interests to support this show as an option for riders that they work with. Jane proposed taking a vote that we would hold a Recognized Show in 2015 based on seeing an agreement from Heather and Jon stating the work they would undertake as show secretary and manager and all costs and fees associated. It passed unanimously.
Update- Heather and Jon will be at the October 21 meeting to discuss this arrangement and answer any questions

Schooling Show-September 27- The Schooling show is proceeding at this time. Laurie Box will be Show Secretary and take entries and establish ride times. Kim Giffin will be the Secretary on the day of the show, add and post scores. Jane did announce that if the VS virus is reported in Wyoming the show will be cancelled. Ruth Benson and Becky O'Leary agreed to talk to Deeda Randle to see if there is interest in the jump course. If we have interest in a lead line class, it may be added. Jane has a judge lined up – Jessica Greer. Caryn Malone and Bitsy Heckert volunteered to scribe. If you are interested in volunteering as a scribe – or in any way- please contact Jane (swanhorst@aol.com or 634-2870).

Announcements

Brian Hafner Clinic- Brian will be here again September 14-15. Includes a Sunday evening barbecue. Contact Caryn Malone for details (cmalone@ponyjones.com or 720-975-7271)

There is a Daniel Stewart clinic November 8-9. Contact Allison Murphy at riding2horses@bresnan.net for more details.

The catered summer barbecue was a success. The club may consider catering the holiday party as well. Bring any ideas you have for catering to the next meeting.

Kaleigh Geringer is available for horse-sitting. Call 307-631-8649 (Crystal, Kaleigh's mom)

If you need large spools for jumps. Addison Construction has them. Contact Bobby 638-1538