

Dancing Horse Dressage December 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at Sandy Gillespie's House

Board Members in attendance: Cynthia Lord, Barbara Nagle, Jackie White, Meghan Wolfgram, Sandy Gillispie, Ann Margaret Hill. Other members present: Gloria Lawless

November Minutes:

Correction made to delete the last page (leftover page from previous edition). Motion to accept corrected minutes was made and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

No report was available, but Meghan provided a treasury update. Annie has not paid for the show rings yet, and funds are about the same as the last report.

Old Business:

1. Feedback from November event: Overall board thought it went well, but the second presentation was better for large farm operations, rather than the typical small farmettes that the attendees had. The second presenter was invited by the intended presenter. Attempts should be made to try to talk with presenters beforehand to ensure topics are suitable.
2. Show series
 - a. Show Bill. The omnibus has discrepancy needing clarification: entry form states ASTM helmet required for all but tack section indicated we follow organization rules, which do not require helmets for Western riders. Wickham Park has no stated requirement and we are not sure what DHD insurance policy requires. Decision was made to keep the helmet rule and **Barb** will change the entry form to add helmet required "regardless of discipline" by the signature line, and edit the show rules/tack section to simply point to DHD website for rules (**Barb/Meghan**). Website will be checked and updated if needed for consistency. **Cynthia** to make a note on email announcement about rule updates. **Sonya** will tell Western riders when they register for the show (**Sandy** will let Sonya know)
 - b. TIP approval. Sandy received approval yesterday for high score at show and series end awards.
 - c. Prizes. Gloria organized ribbons; will place order this weekend (sale on). Prizes: fly spray and still working on high point (towels?)
 - d. Volunteers for January 20th show. **Jackie** needs to send Cynthia request for volunteers. Show day manager will be Barb.
 - e. Judges. **Barb** is going to change judge names for 3rd and 4th shows.
 - f. Concessions. This job is for the secretary (**Jackie**). Jackie Matteo has name of concessions from her craft day. Gloria will provide contact info for Dusty. Sandy has a list from the Farmer's Market. Concession hours should be 10:00AM-2:00PM minimum and more hours can be added. Ask concessionaire to park on other side of road by woods to avoid flapping near the ring.
 - g. Other. Gloria asked if we could designate a no parking area to provide warm up area by the wooden ramp and in-gate, and all agreed. Gate keeper can ask drivers to move. Cynthia

asked if **Annie** could find out if other events are going on. Barb mentioned that the 4H group was willing to clean the arena on Jan 13. **Barb** is coordinating this and the community service hours (Barb must sign off on letterhead). Also, she will monitor the cones and arena for wear.

3. Membership and Renewals
 - a. USDF roster updates. 13 were input so far by Gloria and Jackie
 - b. Reminders needed. **Jackie** will draft request for members email
4. Website updates: Meghan did some updates to links and the show rules were consolidated.
 - a. Show information
 - b. Other updates needed?
 - c. Confirm email addresses for officer's contact

New Business:

1. Any new business? No. It was mentioned that USDF is considering a proposal for riders who participate in schooling show to earn achievement awards similar to the medal program.
2. Educational Events. For the next educational event we can watch some On the Levels videos or do a presentation on bits. Try to avoid weeks with horse shows. Jackie will look into locations.
3. Brags.
 - a. Gloria got her first score for medal! (Ann Campione also got a qualifying score, both were on Donna)
 - b. Barb did two tests at the Clarcona show and got a 63% on the second test (her first score at PSG towards a medal)!
 - c. Ann Hill got a new horse (Arab/Saddlebred) who is 16 yrs old. She is hoping to compete as a centurion soon.
4. Rewards. Barb had a lesson before the show. She tried a canter first on a circle then try for a lead change when ready, which worked really well (instead of a straight line). She will turn in the voucher for her reward at the next meeting since the Treasurer was not available to give the reward check.
5. Next Meeting date and time. January 10, 7PM at **Meghan's** house.

Meeting adjourned