

Westman Dressage – April 25, 2014 – Board meeting

Present: Terry McKenzie, Tammy McKenzie, Lynn Natuk, Jane Thornton, Wendy Brownlie, Amberlee Brownlie

Meeting called to order: 6:28 PM

1. Minutes

- Motion to approve March 15, 2014 minutes – Moved by Wendy, 2nd by Amberlee, carried

2. Treasurer's report

- Balance = \$8743.33 (as of April 23, 2014)
- To be deposited: \$1350.00
- Motions to pay following bills
 - Pay Terry McKenzie for MHC membership fees of \$650.00
 - Moved by Lynn, 2nd by Jane, carried
 - Pay \$150.01 to Jane Thornton for artificial flowers – moved by Wendy, 2nd by Tammy
 - Moved by Tammy, 2nd by Lynn, carried
 - Motion (via e-mail May 16, 2014) to order the ribbons and reimburse Terry McKenzie \$705.15 for the purchase of show ribbons once order placed and paid for.
 - Moved by Lynn, 2nd Jane, carried

3. Membership report

- 19 members
- Send out e-mail reminder that membership fees will be going up at the end of April

4. MHC

- Westman Dressage's MHC membership package has been submitted
- Members of Westman Dressage must have a membership with MHC if showing, riding, or horse is being shown by another individual
 - If only involved in administrative or volunteer duties do not need a MHC membership
- Coach / athlete development rep – Taylor McEachern
- Dressage scholarship
 - Westman Dressage is fine with the criteria set out for the scholarship
- Those who are coaching are encouraged to take the free online coaching course through MHC
- East / West competition
 - MHC is looking for suggestions
 - Make freestyle optional
 - Cross-discipline challenge on Friday night
 - Possible date: Sept. 19 & 20, 2014
- Inter-provincials
 - Will be leasing horses as competition is taking place in Blainville, Quebec
 - Date: Oct. 3 – 5, 2014
 - Level of tests: 1st level
 - By May 1 – have to determine what shows are being used as qualifiers

- Coaches – EC certified
- By June 3 must submit letter of intent
- MHC will provide some subsidy for participants

5. Newsletter/website

- Pictures from show and year end have been sent to Emma to be posted
- Volunteer request for shows to be put on website

6. Old Business

- Year-end awards
 - Need to come up with ideas
- Possible 2015 clinics
 - Terry will e-mail clinicians to see which clinicians are available
 - Small clinic
 - Potentially have multiple clinicians
 - Date: sometime in March 2015
- Shows
 - Volunteers
 - Requests for volunteers has been placed on the website
 - Ribbons
 - Terry has sent a request for quote for the ribbons
 - 36 champion, 31 reserve champion, 82 1st, 60 2nd
 - Have lots of 3rd, 4^{ths}, and 5^{ths}
 - Sponsorship
 - Have received several sponsorships
 - Prizelist
 - Just needs a final proof reading before it is sent for approval
 - Flowers
 - Flower pots – decided on cream coloured rectangular flower pots
 - Jane has started to purchase artificial flowers for around arena
 - Flower colours – white, red, green
 - Pictures
 - Terry will look into cost of Glovers creating a green backdrop for photos at the show
 - Prizes
 - Haybags, eco haynet, chairs
 - Terry has sent out request for quote waiting to hear back
 - Motion (via e-mail June 5, 2014) to purchase 8 hay bags from Glovers @ a cost of 39.95 each plus the cost of stitching for championship prizes for Lemonade Daze.
 - Moved by Tammy, 2nd by Jane. Carried.
 - Pictures
 - Terry will get quote for cost of fabric for backdrop behind pictures
 - Copies of tests for reader
 - Order book from EC or put laminated copies into a binder

7. New Business

- 2015 show season
 - Judges
 - Need to get additional information from potential judge regarding fees and travel
 - Keystone – 2015 dates have been booked
 - July 11 & 12, 2015
 - September 12 &13, 2015
- 2015 Snowbound Series
 - Jane – pasture management (March)
 - Tammy – advanced learning in horses (Jan or Feb.)
 - Other potential topics
 - Body condition scores
 - Deworming – resistance and egg count

8. Meeting adjourned – 8:10 PM - moved by Wendy, 2nd by Amberlee - carried

9. Next meeting – June 4, 2014 @ 6:30, Huggy's