

LPSDC Meeting Minutes

Date: June 13, 2017

Location: Schugren House

Attendees: Lea Wilson, Carrie Whitlow, Christine Erikson, Sandra Schugren, Mary Brady, Sharon Scott, Karen Walling, Abby Welch, Jennifer Gillum and Tina Hansen.

Meeting called to order at 7:06pm

Minutes: Jennifer made a motion with a second from Tina that the minutes from the May 9th meeting be approved as read. Approved.

Treasurers Report: The current balance is \$5915.42. This does not include the final accounting for the June shows. The NSF check issue has been resolved.

Membership: We have 82 members (plus 2 people who signed up as members at the show) and 446 Facebook likes.

Show Committee:

June Shows: Saturday entries: 53 with 48 rides down centerline and Sunday entries: 49 with 42 rides down centerline. Both days went very smoothly with the exception of difficult parking especially in the mornings. Sharon Scott and Abby Welch were Show Managers for these shows and both reported the days were very successful.

July Show: Entries are open. Chalice will need two parking attendants to monitor in/out traffic on the road. This show will have an Intro A Supervised class which will be judged by Lea. The group decided that we could have both a Lead Line and this new class at the same show during lunch. Carrie will take all supplies to Chalice for setup.

Entries: There was a discussion regarding low entries and the option of canceling show if too low. All agreed we need to monitor but that the shows are the primary function of LPSDC and we will not cancel any this year. There seems to be a trend to lower attendance at other shows as well which could be contributed to the bad weather and a later start to the show season. There is always the option for a rider to take three rides instead of two and a rider can sign up at the show if there is a Scratch or "Place Holder" for the test they want to ride. Christine sends out multiple email blasts to alert our members if there are still slots open.

Venues for Next Year: We may want to work with Kitsap Saddle Club to establish that location as a permanent site for our shows as the amenities really work. We could potentially help with improving warmup area in exchange for increasing their membership and revenue from our shows. This needs further discussion and thought.

Dressage Dollars: Discussion about changing the policy regarding Dressage Dollars. Currently any volunteer hour at a show comes with Dressage Dollars even if it is the 6 hour minimum for participation in Awards. The suggestion on the floor is to have Dressage Dollars earned AFTER the minimum 6 hours. This will not only help with finances but may encourage members to

volunteer more than the 6 hours. Currently Banquet organizers do receive credit for the 6 hour requirement. A Show Manager and Show Secretary receive \$25.00 in Dressage Dollar credit per show managed / worked.

League Championships: Tina has secured two judges: Anne Appleby and Diane Royce for the October 13th and 14th 2018 date. She will send them contracts for this event. Lea will contact Gwen Blake about renting the house on the property for the judges overnight.

Banquet:

Venue for 2018: Canterwood Golf and Country Club has provided a quote and a date for hosting the Annual Banquet. All agreed that the pricing is within range and comparable to the other venues that we have used i.e. Inn at Gig Harbor. Sandra will follow up to get the contract for signing. The date that is held is Saturday, February 17, 2018. Abby agreed to handle the awards for the 2018 Banquet.

Clinics:

Ride and Review – July 10th with Debbie Spence at Chalice Farms. There was a change in the fee from the May meeting to have it align with past year charges. The rate is \$85.00 for a member and \$100 for a non-member. Sandra is collecting the registrations and will contact Deborah regarding sound system. Lea is managing the day of the event.

Mike Osinski – October 14th and 15th. Tina has sent him the contract. We will charge \$150.00 per ride / \$275.00 if a rider signs up for a ride each day and will be limited to members. Sandra is responsible for organization.

Old Business:

Flying Changes: Sandra has submitted the July article. The August article will feature the Mary Craft Centurion Ride.

Hunt Club Event: Sharon will work with Hunt Club to organize a special event for LPSDC members on September 17th. This would include breakfast, an introduction to the hunt, an opportunity to meet the hounds and also a trail ride /mini-hunt with our horses.

Sound System: Carrie reported that the Jordan Bank's sound system will not work. We need further research so we have one available for clinics. If we use the Kitsap Saddle Club, the sound system there is quite good and there is no need to have one there.

Consecutive Rides: Carrie is still working on this. Has asked for response from ODS but so far nothing received.

New Business:

Clothing: Tina made a motion with a second from Sandra to approve a budget of \$750.00 for clothing purchase and embroidery expenses to include new logo. Approved. Carrie will also find out the cost of upgrading the logo on the sign boards.

Forest Park Sponsorship: Christine made a motion with a second from Jennifer that we give \$100 to Forest Park show for sponsorship. In return, we receive a ½ page ad in the program (Christine will send information to Show Manager), announcement of our sponsorship of 3 classes plus a Championship class. Approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40pm. Next meeting on July 11th at 7pm at the Schugren house.