

## Northern Saddle Club General Meeting

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010, Hudson Bay Lodge

**Present:** Ron Brown, Gail Pasaluko, Erin Rowsell, Leslie Flint, Anika Gattiker

Called to order: 7:05pm

Previous Minutes: Leslie made a motion to adopt as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron, motion pending.

Treasurer's Report: Erin didn't get bank statement yet, can't check online anymore. Only one deposit made by Gail (poker ride), invoices presented. Motion to receive treasurer's report as correct, made by Anika, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leslie, motion pending.

Old Business:

1. Jumps were put away on Oct. 31, 2010.
2. Dressage box is with Biz, can stay there.
3. Ron said there is now a cloth cover for the mirror in the arena. Did Nicole put it up?? It serves its purpose for now. A more permanent solution can be figured out if necessary.
4. New gates for the arenas would be fairly expensive if made to size. Standard size metal gates are quite high, wouldn't always fit. Maybe they could be made out of wood after all, braced with wire to make them lighter. Or we could buy a few metal ones every year.
5. Ron and Shaun fixed the hitching posts behind Barn A and behind the Light Horse Office. Supplies were charged to the a/c at Smithers Feed. A 50'x30' tarp was bought as well to cover the shavings pile (Smithers Feed). Ron got 16 tires from Kal Tire to hold the tarp down. The hole in the stall in Barn C would need a 4x8' sheet of plywood and 3 pcs of 2-6', 12' long. Ron and Shaun will fix it. AIF. One of the round pen panels has a broken foot. Ron will take it to Smithers Feed and Gail will check for warranty.

6. The damage done to the barn wall during manure removal was done by BV Bobcat. Gina checked with the Fall Fair Board, according to Graeme Johnstone there was more damage done at the 4H barn and all the gravel was scraped away at the dairy barn. Fall Fair management said it was too late to complain. Gail will check with Gina how to proceed.

7. Erin will talk with Andrew from Town of Smithers about the rental agreement of the NSC grounds. Damage must be covered in the future. There also has to be a fee for the concession booth rental because of Hydro and other costs that come up with the booth. Erin and Andrew already agreed that as of now, the rental form package, including yellow page that town has to approve, will be available both at the town and through Erin and can be dropped off either with the town or all with Erin.

8. Gail checked into the special salt for the arena. Very expensive. She will google other solutions.

9. Geri is in contact with the girl that works at One Sky and also does grant searches for the Town of Smithers. She will see what she can do for us.

New Business:

**1. Wind-up dinner**

Leslie rented the Old Church for Friday, Nov. 26, 2010 as of 6pm.

Invitations should go out with weekly reminders by email and mail to those who don't have email. Should include the following:

- potluck (dinner + salad dishes), BYOB and drinks, coffee and tea available.
- dessert auction
- donation box to help pay hall rental
- people could bring pictures on DVDs or on flashdrives for a slideshow.
- Ipods with music welcome
- Theresa + friend would come and play for a while
- Door prizes and fun prizes

Leslie will check if the Old Church is set up with a screen and if Ipods can be hooked up to the sound system. Anyone have and ideas for "silly awards"?

## **2. Manure bins**

There is now around 3" of water in front of the manure bins.  
We need a solution for next year. Maybe a floating cement ramp.

Meeting adjourned at 8.10 pm