

Northern Saddle Club Meeting – May 2, 2012

Minutes

In attendance: Gail Pasaluko, Erin Rowsell, Anika Gattiker, Pat Barriage, Lesley Flint, Patti Schwegler, Ron Brown, Downie Phillips, Cindy English, Kim Hunter, Geri Brown, Barb Veale, Laura Lea Cook.

1. Gail called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm
2. Presentation – Laura Cook – Body Talk. Kim Hunter introduced Laura and gave us some background info on Body Talk. It is a Consciousness based medicine for animals and humans. There are 2 free seminars being offered. May 14th and June 27th starting at 7:00 pm. Both are being held at Blackett's 3573 Rosenthal Road.
3. Approval of April Minutes – Erin read the Minutes aloud. Leslie moved the Minutes be adopted as read. Ron seconded. AIF.
4. Treasurer's Report – Erin presented the Treasurer's Report. (copy attached) Pat moved the Treasurer's Report be adopted as presented. Geri seconded. AIF.
5. Correspondence:
 - a. List of Events has been updated with the Town of Smithers. They have sent Erin a full list and she has confirmed it matches the NSC website.
 - b. Cindy Jeffrey – Sponsor request – Fall Fair – Erin moved the Northern Saddle Club sponsor at the Silver level (\$200) / Ron 2nd. AIF
 - c. Music Festival (email to sent to Leslie) claiming exclusive rights to grounds June 23 – July 5th. This is incorrect – the Town's letter confirmed June 29 –30th but NSC has added a no horse day of June 28 to accommodate their set up.
 - d. Email from Horse Council – Lisa Laycock – possible funding opportunity for NSC. Up to \$25,000 grant available from Farm Credit Canada. Gail suggested we apply for funding to extend the arena 20m out the south end.
6. Old Business
 - a. Sound System – Geri had got a quote of \$1500 for a sound system from Terrace. Ron moved that we buy the damn thing. Leslie 2nd. Geri to get more info (wireless speakers, etc) and get back to us. Tabled.
 - b. Gates – Downie – he checked the gates, some posts are only 2' in the ground, weak hinges. Recommends redoing hinges and put in new

posts. Downie & Ron – Jump ring nearest barns and driving ring closest to track, whipper in gate of main ring, jump warm up ring false fence. Erin moved that Downie can spend up to \$500 on supplies to repair the gates. Ron 2nd. AIF

- c. Private function booked – Reunion – no horses allowed on grounds Aug 4th & 5th.
- d. Indoor arena footing has been salted.

7. New Business

- a. Equine Confidence Course and De-Spooking Clinic – Barb Veale presented. Clinician is a mounted police officer, Bill Ritchey, 12 riders, 2 day clinic. Sept 8th & 9th. \$300 (includes lunch).
- b. June 9th Fun Day Schooling Show – Judge is Chris Hassel.
- c. May 13th – Work Bee Projects:
 - Ron Project – Gail / particle board at feed store / south end of indoor arena covered area at end of bleachers / needs to be graded / then add rubber matting (from Cindy English) so horses can be tied / finish outside wall in plywood.
 - Date is the same day as Mother’s Day
 - Indoor – washing walls, kickboard and bleachers. Raking in sides and harrowing. Paint sliding doors.
 - Rock picking.
 - Paint bleachers and picnic tables.
 - Touch up barns – new and chewed boards.
 - 4-H will do the burm around the Main ring and paint the green bleachers
 - Bring brushes and painting clothes, rakes, wire brush, wheelbarrow, hammer,
 - Start at 9:00 – 12:00

- d. New shavings building – construction work is getting started right away.

e. Dressage booth is still broken.

f. Bursarys are available again. July meeting deadline. 2 x \$100. Check website for more information.

8. Meeting adjourned 8:48 pm