

NORTHERN SADDLE CLUB MEETING

Minutes

March 5, 2024

In Person Meeting

Present: Barb Erni, Anika Gattiker, Clare Hobson, Geri Brown, Erin Rowsell, Kim Gruijs, Gina DeHoog, Gail Pasaluko, Naomi Nyuli

Called to order at 7:09

Agenda

1. Additions to Agenda: added FFMC under 8.3, show committee update 7.1 (M/S Erin/Gina AIF - Carried)
2. Motion to accept minutes (M/S Erin/Gina AIF - Carried)
3. Correspondence: Bingo, Town of Smithers Insurance
4. Treasurer's Report: Presented and filed
5. Events
 - 5.1 New clinic dates
 - 5.2 Glenn Stewart: May 2-6, Aug 30 - Sept 2
 - 5.3 Nicole Klassen: May 18-19, June 8-9, July 12-14
 - 5.4 Schooling Show: May 17-19, Aug 2-4, Sept 20-22
 - 5.5 BVPC Games/Camp/Testing Day: May 25, June 29-July 1, July 13, July 27-28, Aug 10, Sept TBA
 - 5.6 Darrel Robert Clinic: July 13-14 (M/S Gina/Erin AIF - Carried)
6. Reports
 - 6.1 Memberships: 65 / Facebook 812
7. Ongoing Business
 - 7.1 Show Committee Update & Question for Directors

Provided by Allie:

- wrapping up sponsorship campaign. We have a title sponsor for all three shows now (Babine Animal Hospital for spring, Feed Store for Summer, and Happy Pony & Pup/Four Winds Saddle Service for fall) as well as a number of division sponsors, class sponsors and general supporters.
- still looking for western lead volunteer so summer/fall shows can run (Geri is doing spring). Posted to Facebook Group but no luck yet.
- planning to put advertising and show programs together in March
- Houston is running spring gymkhana same weekend as our spring show so we won't run one

Discussed possibility of offering first free night of stabling for out of towners and decided to keep stable charges as is to ensure fairness and keep logistics simple.

Western show volunteer: Naomi/Kim to contact Geri/Allie to discuss responsibilities before committing to this role

8. New Business

- 8.1 Sand Indoor Arena: Needs new sand, Ask Downie to get a quote from Vihard for both rings and number of loads
- 8.2 Sand Main Ring:
- 8.3 FFMC Meeting:
 - Meeting was on March 5th and all NSC events were approved
 - Any new events to be approved via email
 - Group discussed importance of charging rent if another organization requests exclusive use of NSC grounds, FFMC should notify us in fairness to our members

- Group to provide rental agreement to Music Festival for use of grounds this year; Gina to draft a letter outlining costs and typical usage rates
- Rental agreement is on the web site under Grounds Rental

8.4 Yoga Cowgirl Spring Retreat:

- May 17th - 20th, 2024 at Glenwood Hall
- An invitation for women to relax, recharge and enjoy a long weekend of wellness workshops, trail riding with MVA, hiking, catered meals, holistic treatments, crafts and more. More information: www.yogacowgirl.ca

8.5 Horse Expo: April 26-26 at Westerner Park in Red Deer: Naomi is attending and will report back with any interesting / useful information / contacts

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00