

DRAW spring meeting 2/15/15

Present: Kathy Schauer, Linda Jacobson, Kathy Soukup, Maxine Bernsdorf, Katie and Mike Bachhuber, Jen Allen, Kristin Wacker, man and momma??, Wes Elford, Lori and John Windows, Ana Holder, Bettina Koehn, Casey and Melissa Coolich, Sherry Aune, Laurie Henschel, Jessi Zirbel, Melinda Stewart, Kim Fosler, Tracy Johnson, Jon and Boots Wagner, Jill and Jim Feller, Alice and Ray Hubert, Barb Gardner, Ruth and Tim Casserly, Art Anderson, Shirley May, Tracy Porter.

Barb called meeting to order.

Secretary's report on the web, asked for corrections or changes. Max motioned to accept, seconded by Kathy.

Treasurer's report from Jill shared. Bill motioned to accept, seconded by Max.

Midwest Horse Fair - sending around a sign up sheet for volunteers to man the booth. Needs to be staffed Friday through Sunday from 8 to 5pm each day. Also need tables and chairs. What do we want or need in the booth? Size of booth unknown. AHDRA donated \$100 towards the booth, going to put out their flyers as well. AERC sent old Endurance News, brochures, and pens to give out.

Draw will have flyers to give out as well. Jessi will do the slide show, using photos from Bob Zimmerman. Send photos to Jessi through Facebook or email.

Will need a laptop for displaying slide show. Electricity available. Jon suggested having a drawing at the end of the day for money off a ride entry.

Offer for people who join Draw to get a free novice entry. Could use a completion award as a drawing prize. Would anyone want to join who hasn't done a ride before? Jen suggested putting MHF on the entries to track back where they are used. Jill pointed out that Draw only has four rides and the first one is quite early in the season, might lose people between MHF and the time they'd actually enter. May is early for people who haven't conditioned. Motion to have anyone who signs up as a member gets free novice entry ride for a Draw ride or possibly ApDRA. Shirley motioned and Kathy S. seconded. Motion passed. Jessi suggested we have mentor list available to connect new people with experienced riders. Could do a follow up call to anyone who joins to see if they have interested in a mentor. Could bring examples of completion awards to have on display at the booth.

Tri fold flyers:

Getting priced right now. Jill is going to check on UMECRA flyers as well for the booth.

Secondary awards, Bill - a friend of Bill's works for Isle of Dogs. He is hoping that their line is done prior to the season and can get a bunch of samples to have for secondary prizes. Ride managers are doing their own awards this year.

Clinic- ApDRA is not doing their clinic. Any input? One location was offered near Plymouth, with a heated indoor and outdoor. Jon offered two other places, old Avalon therapeutic riding center. Arena being used for storage, wanted 50 bales of hay in exchange, Jon would donate. Not sure if place can be cleaned up in time. Other place suggested is community center near Oconomowoc for \$75.

Would have to haul horses in. Wes suggested a client of his over by West Bend. Shirley offered her facility at no charge. Usually done late March or early April. Discussion about dates, before or after horse fair, hold mini clinic at Kettles and Bits. Plymouth area is close to where it's been held for several years (main clinic). AERC supplies insurance for clinics and money for expenses? Proposed date March 28th. Linda motioned that we use Shirley's farm, seconded by Wes. Passed.

Reminder that Draw is hosting convention next year in the Dells. Wes suggested that we line up speakers now. Committee Jill, Katie, and Barb for questions.

Award committee for this season's awards - Max thanked Draw for the junior high point awards, asked that it continue. Seconded by Boots. Passed. Katie will do awards with her committee. Friday night meals are arranged for the season. Jill asked for help with breakfast at Kettles and Bits. Unknown who volunteered.

Discussion about discrepancies for ride entry fees, different at all rides. Want to make prices across the board at this year's meeting. Comp rides are the same as LD at some rides but not all. Bill suggested making price list at November meeting for all Draw rides. Jon shared his formula for figuring out ride entry fees.

Jon will put in writing. Wes shared that the cost of putting on a 100 mile ride much more than doing a 50, should vets be paid more, more trail marking and water to put out, etc. Out of area rides cost a lot more to enter than our rides do.

Jen offered to share information put together by Chris Power on averages of ride entry fees. Will discuss further in November.

Awards presented.

Jen selling AHDRA window decals for \$5.

Driving clinic to be held on April 25th.

Motion to end meeting by Tim, seconded by Bill. Passed.