

WPC Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2006, 10:00am, KEC

Members present: Bob Arnsten, Joy Somerset, Christine Southgate, Angela Steele, Vandana Mathur, Marty Raynor, Gina Greenen, Kate Daly, Jennifer A., CJ Kolb, Kelly Porter, Wendy Berger, Patti Cooley, Cathy Siegel, Victoria Murphy Vixie, Catherine Swent.

Meeting called to order at 10:08pm. DC Catherine Swent presiding.

Welcome to new members Kelly and Christina Porter and their daughters Jacqueline and Juliet.

1. Minutes

Cathy noted a slight change in the minutes to item 3.c.Land Use renewal: the lease expiration year is actually 2007. Gina made a motion to approve minutes as amended. Marty seconded. Motion carried.

2. Treasurer's report

Catherine passed around a P&L current through July 7th; she noted that the balance for Windance was about -\$50. Our balance is about 16K. CJ questioned the line item of trailer contents insurance. Catherine will check with Belinda. We will move approval of the finances to the end of the meeting. There was a motion to approve the treasurer's report. After a second, the treasurer's report was approved.

3. Horse Show Sep 10

Set up will be September 9th. If you are unavailable these two days there are pre-show jobs you can do. Please contact Catherine.

A. Mandatory involvement of all families

B. July 29 poster session at Daly's house, 3605 Tripp Rd. Come by before or after your lesson time. Bring a swim suit and help make a poster.

C. Job assignments: Some jobs have been assigned, mostly the coordinator positions. Please see the coordinator for the area you are interested in. So far: Kate - Publicity. This is the Woodside "Classic" Horse show. It is classified as a Hunter Jumper schooling show. Marty - Show Manager;

please let Kate know about judges asap for advertisement. Gatekeeper Coordinator- Christine Southgate. Discussion of gatekeeping and class organization. Christine to talk with Spring Down about what works for them. Catherine - Show Secretary, would like to have two shadows. Gina will be one shadow. We still need another shadow, or we may take Catherine's Secretary role and break it into a number of roles. Christine Taylor - Registration Coordinator. Belinda Hanson - will ask if she will be the Sponsor Coordinator again. Diane Tapscott - program. Office - Gina, Diane, Kate D. Volunteer Coordinator - maybe Lora Quinlan? Sign the job sheet before you leave the meeting.

4. Rally News:

A. Webb Ranch will have their mid-summer Dressage and Show Jumping next weekend.

B. BOK Art Ramble at Runnymede Saturday August 19th, \$100 entry. For more info: www.bokranch.com, 650 366-2265.

C. Christine F.s poem "Misty Morning" was published in the May/June issue of the USPC magazine!

D. Dressage Rally October 20-22: This rally is a "Big Deal"; it is a qualifying rally for Nationals in Kentucky next year. The good news is that it is Pony Club only, not an open event. We will need a Show Secretary with 2 assistants, an Office Manager, Equipment Coordinator, Hospitality Coordinator. The judges and HM officials are usually sent in from the East Coast. We would like to house them in people's

homes. If you can host a show official please let CJ know. We should have about 100 kids total participating.

Jennifer A. will help get WPC teams together; all kids can participate at some level. We have 2 full rally kits, and almost a 3rd kit. Thank you Jennifer for volunteering.

E. Championships: Tori went to the Quiz Championships and placed 4th out of 11 teams; Sissy was on the Mid-Cal team which placed 1st overall, and 5th in HM. Sissy received an equitation award and was 9th overall individually. The dressage team was Jennifer

at 2nd level, and Amanda and Chloe at 1st level, placing 3rd overall and 3rd in HM. Congratulations all Championship participants!

Finally, Jennifer A. achieved her HA! Congrats to Jen.

5. Leadership -

A. Lease renewal

Cathy advised an 11 year lease renewal was approved. This is wonderful news for all 3 clubs. To reiterate some ground

Rules: There is no riding before 9am, but you may be tacking and setting up prior to 9; lessons end at 6pm; summer session may include 3 days per week (currently MWF 4pm - 6pm); 3pm-4pm is open for arranged lessons which must be opened to the club via announcement from the JDC, currently via Susan Robertson. This is for insurance purposes. Please allow 72 hours advance notice. Also remember that WPC is not supposed to be your only source for equine education and experience; schedule lessons or attend clinics outside of WPC.

B. Upper level rating help needed July 28-30:

Katie Graham is coordinating A & B level ratings over this weekend. Jenn and Catherine highly recommend going for the experience. If you are available to help please email Katie directly via info Catherine posted to the club.

C. Nominating Committee elections

It is time for the membership to elect a nominating committee to fill WPC offices for the calendar year January 1st through December 31st. The proposed members for the committee are: Christine Southgate, Kate Daly, Leslie Lee and Terry Afzal with the caveat that Terry need to be asked. (Both are away on vacation.) CJ made a motion that we approve the slate assuming Terry will serve. Christine S. seconded. Motion carried. Catherine to follow up with Terry.

6. Membership - membership packages will be out in August. Please get them back in time as we need to meet National's deadline.

7. Riding Program -

A. Susan - Open rings [Susan not present.]

B. Fall Schedule to start Sep 2nd and include the Saturdays through December 31st at \$10 per Saturday. Watch for email.

8. Dismounted Program will start in September right away. Rosemary Broome will coordinate. Taress Reyering has offered to assist.

9. Facility -

A. Arena fencing: Bob advises it would cost about \$5,500 in materials to replace the arena fence with metal piping.

Need to coordinate with Vaulters and Junior Riders, and we need to fund raise.

B. Fund Raising: Marty advised that the plan to hold a play day conflicts with the SMCHA, (San Mateo County Horseman/Horsewoman's Association) playday to be held at Webb Ranch. She suggests a direct mail donation campaign from the 3 clubs with very specific information about what the donation funds would be used for, such as new fencing, irrigation, footing, drainage, harrower, etc. Marty will get together with Julie and Catherine to determine priorities and set numbers to the top facility issues, then report back. Early Fall is a good time to do the mailings (after sponsor solicitation for the horse show).

10. Ratings - Catherine (in Susan's absence)

A. D1 & D2 rating will be scheduled for September; get rating sheets mostly signed off 1 month ahead (see policy). There is one item on the rating readiness sheets "Riding to Test Expectations", which should be signed off by a USPC credentialed instructor. These include Rebecca Taylor, Jennifer Godoi, Martha Dunn, Jenny Whitworth, or an HA/A Certified Pony Clubber, i.e. Jennifer A., Sara Williams.

B. D3/C1/C2 rating will be scheduled for September also; remember that HM and teaching takes on more importance at these levels. Watch your email for further information.

11. Clinics - Catherine asked about club interest in clinics; there was general positive feedback. Clinics may be a bit more costly than open rings. Cathy suggested that while clinics are good a follow up session would be nice to reinforce the clinic. Jenn offered to get in touch with "Sarah" from whom she took

a clinic that was very good. Other possibilities include:

- A. Val Owens from C camp and Festival is interested in coming to CTETA to do clinics
- B. Natalie may be available for clinics
- C. Sara Williams could do a Sunday clinic periodically.

Martha Dunn attended the Instructor Certification Program at Festival in July. WPC sponsored 50% of this clinic for her. Martha is now ready for Certification on the flat.

12. Horse Master's Report - Laura [Laura not present]
Barbara spent 4 - 6 hours helping with the Ratings. Laura helped at the last local rally.

13. Junior Advisory Board Report: Joy Summerset is hosting a pool party and BBQ at her house on August 27th. There was discussion about the need for a social event to include the younger Pony Club members. Kelly and Christina Porter would host. Stay tuned for more info.

14. Fundraisers - Need chairperson for Fundraising (Fundraising mostly covered above with facility discussion. Needs further discussion.)
A. Website orders with State Line and others
B. Play day changed to direct mailing
C. Fundraising for championships?

15. Next meeting will be August 19th - the day before the Junior Riders end of Summer show, at 10am.

Meeting adjourned 11:27am

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Murphy Vixie
Interim Secretary