

Horse Advisory Committee Notes – March 8, 2016 (note taker – Barb Walley)

Attendance – Lisa Meeks (Boots n Buckles), Heather Zumwalt (Hands & Hooves), Patty Neumann (Hands & Hooves), Malik Dumas (Lone Star Riders), Nichole Bartolz (Lone Star Riders – nickilee74@gmail.com), Hunter White (Lone Star Riders), Barb Walley (volunteer- wanigan22@gmail.com), Kelli Shipman (Rhinstone Riders – ksinsattle@gmail.com), Hillary Shipman (Rhinstone Riders), Jodie Jagen-Smith (Lone Star Riders – abbygir160@live.com), Kelly Hemphill (Rhinstone Riders – Rhettinkel@gmail.com).

Heather informed everyone that there is a possible conflict with the fairgrounds for the Horse Camp and Horse Show – watch your newsletter for updates on this.

Horse Fair Judges – Karmen Cook, Nancy Collins, Heather Loveall. Barb mentioned we need to make sure we have a Dad Potter judge available. Heather confirmed that if these judges are not certified, Candi has said that she can be available.

Horse Fair schedule – everyone was happy with the awards at the end of each day and the combined awards on Sunday. Liked the gaming in one arena – much easier to run. Heather will make sure we have the 2015 premium book at the May meeting so we can make sure there are no changes that need to be made. Costume Class – this is a tough one, but will look at schedule. Maybe at the June show? IHOR – clubs really enjoy this class.

Heather made motion that we change Versatility to one horse, one rider, because that is truly what versatility is. Patty 2nd. Discussion – Barb mentioned that this does not mean that they cannot rider more than one horse at fair – just need to make sure they do at least one class in each category (performance, ranch, gaming) with the horse that will count towards versatility points. Need to make sure we note in newsletter and maybe bold in premium book the change. Passed unanimously.

Talked about fun activities at fair – Slip n Slide always popular – maybe 2 nights? Stick horse races?

Horse Clinics – April 5th will be English Equitation and taught by Tahnee Hayden. Divided by level this year. Sign up forms in Newsletter (online) or available at extension office. April 27th and June 7th – one will be Western Equitation, the other Dressage – Heather still working on confirmation. May 21st – Cattle/Ranch Horse. May 26th – Roping. Trail clinic will also happen. Keep an eye on Over the Clover and e-mails for upcoming clinics.

Junior Horse Bowl – will be for juniors and cover materials in Project Book and Contest Guide. Great experience!

Horse Equipment work day – clubs were interested in helping out. Would be great community service project. E-mail Karissa for more information.

Tack Sale at State OHSET meet – May 12-15. Heather will be running and will need volunteers. Set up Weds afternoon, work the sale Thursday – Sunday, and tear down on Sunday. We have a combination of donated items and consignment (15% to 4-H). This is one of our largest Horse fundraiser. Get your clubs and members to bring items! Sunday pick up items or they are then donated to 4-H.

AYHC Symposium – April 21-25, Kentucky. Karissa would like to take a couple high school youth from Deschutes 4-H. Great experience – work sessions throughout pertaining to horse education and leadership. NEED TO CONTACT KARISSA AT Karissa.dishon@oregonstate.edu ASAP if interested – our time frame is very small! 4-H will cover a portion of the expenses and any youth participating would be expected to do some fundraising for the rest. Karissa can provide more details.

Other – LaPine 4-H groups will be hosting a Horse Show Fundraiser on June 4th. Look for more information in the next Newsletter.