

Tri-State Riding Club Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2011

Marion DuPont Scott EMC Library

Attendees – Nancy Byrd, Rhonda Boatwright, Judy Brescia, Pat Brescia, Patty Tracy, Amy Orr, Mary Gustafson, Marilyn Davis, Linda Giannino, Carol Anderson, Rosemary Lawler, Andrea Justus, Leanne Accorti, Liz Shockley, Elaine Meilahn, Laura Guillaudeu, Lisa Woods, Michelle Johns

Guest Speaker – Elaine Meilahn introduced our guest speaker, Dr. Alicia Foley. Dr. Foley is a resident at Marion DuPont Scott EMC and she gave a very informative presentation on understanding parasite resistance. The presentation covered the various parasites which invade equines, the available treatments and which factors can minimize increasing resistance.

Gymkhana – Amy Orr did most of the work on the gymkhana and, by all reports, did a fantastic job. Thanks, Amy, for another great gymkhana.

Morven Park Ride to Benefit LTRF – This ride had to be rescheduled due bad weather. The new date is St., 11/26. The ride starts between 10-11:30 a.m. Please call the office at 703-771-2689 ext. 6605 for more information.

Purcellville Christmas Parade – The parade is set for noon on Dec. 10. Parking is at the south end of the Loudoun Valley HS parking lot. We need a pooper scooper and two banner carriers as well riders. More to come...

Treasurer's Report – Liz gave the treasurer's report. We made two donations totaling \$900 but we also won LTRF's Road Apple Rally, which was a \$1,000 prize. Liz had several thank you letters from the beneficiaries of our donations. Liz has also begun the process of reinstating our 501 3 C status, which we lost thru not filing IRS returns. The requirement was not publicized and many organizations are having to apply for reinstatement.

English Lessons – Mary has scheduled lessons thru the middle of December. She plans to schedule some special lessons in the winter and then start up with the regular lesson program in April of 2012.

Western Lessons – The western lessons will continue thru the winter on Tuesday nights at 7 PM. Linda also scheduled a cow clinic and it is sold out with 8 participants on Saturday and another 8 on Sunday. We are using rental cows.

Parelli Lessons – The last Parelli lessons are scheduled for mid-December at Rosemary's farm. Please contact her at cowgirlrosie.up@gmail.com for details.

Halloween Ride at Camp Highroad – We had to cancel our ride due to **SNOW** but Liz plans to reschedule it early next year. Stay tuned for details.

Elections – We have two candidates for the office of Vice President – Elaine Meilahn and Leanne Accorti. We also have two candidates for the office of Secretary – Diane Grove and Judy Brescia. Andreas Justus

will send out the ballots via email later this month and it will be a green elections with the results being announced at the December meeting.

Holiday Party – Leanne reserved the old stone Hillsboro School for Saturday, Jan 14. The setup will be from 6 – 7 pm and the party will be from 7 – 11 pm. Leanne got us an ABC license. The club voted to have the club provide a main dish (ie, ham or other meat) and the rest would be potluck. Leanne offered to pick up the club's food. Patty Tracy volunteered to head up the entertainment. Liz volunteered to be the organizer.

Road Apple Rally – The club won the \$1,000 from the Road Apple Rally and voted to keep the money for the time being and revisit it in 2012.

Invitational Obstacle Clinic – Rosemary would like to host a private obstacle clinic at her farm just for members. It would be held next spring and would help riders and horses prepare for the upcoming JPR's and ACTHA rides.

LHA Tack Sale – This is tentatively scheduled for February at the Lovettsville Game Protective Association. Patty and Rhonda will have a booth and will sell club items but we would need donations so clean out those tack rooms.

Free Lesson Drawing - Rhonda Boatwright was the lucky winner. A drawing will be held at each meeting for a lesson but you must attend to be entered.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Brescia