

TSRC MINUTES – MAY 19, 2016

Attending: Pat Brescia, Liz Schockley, Mary Gustafson, Elaine Meilahn, Patty Tracy, Ashley Russell, Marilyn Davis, Linda Giannino, Hila Wever, Ann Meninger, Nancy Reppert, Paige Geier, Judy Brescia, Gary White, Rebecca Toone, Lani Newcomb

Meeting called to order by Pat Brescia, president, at 7:10pm.

Dr. Lani Newcomb gave an extremely informative presentation on trailering safety based on her expertise as an equine veterinarian and on her extensive experience hauling horses over long distances. The club purchased an equine travel emergency kit from Blue Ridge Veterinary Service as a door prize which was won by Ashley Russell and a set of emergency equine medications was won by Patty Tracy. A few brief points from the presentation follow.

- Always carry a cell phone and a fast charger (inverter) on a long haul.
- Do not unload a colicky horse, take it straight to a hospital.
- When you have tires put on the horsetrailer, request that the lug nuts be hand-tightened, so that you can get them off to change a flat tire.
- Carry a fire extinguisher and a heavy hammer for releasing latches bent in an accident.
- Decide IN ADVANCE what you will do if someone pulls out in front of you---best to not swerve – trailer can overturn.
- Tying a horse in a trailer is optional, use your best judgement.
- Camera in trailer is ideal to check on 'strange noises' coming from within.

Announcement made by Pat Brescia that the third session of Last Frontier Farm camp will begin on Sunday, July 3 because of the holiday on the 4th.

Gary White has received 'the cow' and it is ready to be installed at Ride-On-Ranch. Gary is researching on the best method of installation. The club agreed to purchase two custom gates for the installation to be built by Bill Moore of Lovettsville at a cost of \$800.00.

Current membership stands at 128.

Let Judy Brescia know if you would like something in particular for a logo-wear order.