

## **TRSC MEETING MINUTES, 15 SEPTEMBER 2016**

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

Attendees: Mary Gustafson, Hila Wever, Judy Brescia, Ann Menninger, Linda Giannino, Robyn Harter, Marilyn Davis, Penni Korb, Jen Sullivan, Gary White, Patty Tracy, Andrea Justus, Pat Brescia, Elaine Meilahn

TSRC LOGO-WEAR: Judy Brescia hauled in the most amazing array of shirts, jackets, vests, hats and saddle pads for sale by the Club. Total fun to rummage through and find fabulous things at great prices. Our thanks to you Judy.

AWAY CAMP: The TSRC 'Away Camp' registration has opened with only a few entries to date. A second notice will be sent. Oct 5 is the deadline for cancellation of the clinic if it is not filled.

WESTERN CLINICS: The annual 'cow clinic' planning is underway for this fall with Linda Giannino at the helm. In addition, Linda and Gary White are working on a 'mechanical cow clinic to be scheduled on a Thursday evening in October at Ride On Ranch. Details to follow.

Linda Giannino will ask Ride On Ranch to store the gates that are used for the mechanical cow as the gates are too heavy to transport easily.

ENGLISH LESSONS: Two new instructors have joined the TSRC lineup: Becky Lee will be teaching at Morven Park. She has a background in eventing and her coach is Stephen Bradley, a well-known upper level eventer. She also has a degree in Sports Psychology.

Jackie Patch will be offering TSRC lessons at her facility with a beautiful indoor arena near Purcellville. Her background is Pony Club and eventing although she is currently focusing on show hunters.

ELECTION: Nominations for the TSRC Board positions of president and treasurer may be submitted to Jen Sullivan ([ejs461@hotmail.com](mailto:ejs461@hotmail.com)), ideally by the October TSRC meeting.

ANNUAL DONATIONS: TSRC disburses about 10% of its funds annually to equine-related worthy causes that are nominated by the members. This is in addition to the donation to the Equine Medical Center in consideration for the free use of its facilities for the monthly meetings. The donation recipients will be decided by the membership in attendance at the November meeting so please submit your suggestions for recipients to Jen Sullivan ([ejs461@hotmail.com](mailto:ejs461@hotmail.com)) before November 17.

DISBURSEMENT OF TSRC STORED MATERIALS: Patty and John Tracy need their basement back (after years of generous storage of vast amounts of 'stuff') so on Saturday Oct 8 at 6pm, several TSRC members including Ann Menninger and Mary Gustafson will sort through and decide what to donate, keep, or discard. Elaine Meilahn offered to store items that can be kept in an out building.

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR BY TSRC MEMBER: A free seminar, hosted by CFC Farm and Home, will be held on Tuesday, November 8 at 6pm at the Equine Medical Center library, featuring our very own DR. KATHY BROADDUS presenting on traveling with your horse and also Dr. Dan Burke presenting on 'Sugar, Starch and Protein'. Reserve a place by calling Cindy Dell 540-727-8325.

DRESSAGE CAMP RE-CAP: Campers were a bit shocked to be asked to ride without stirrups and also to switch horses, but all agreed that they learned a lot from the experience and considered the camp a huge success. The only suggestion for a change was for a sound system to allow riders and auditors to hear the instructor more easily.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL EQUINE CLUB: Jen Sullivan is asking for volunteers at Mercer Middle School (near Dover Saddlery) for one (or more) of ten sessions from 3:30p to 4:30p starting in October to speak to middle school students enrolled in an after-school 'Equine Club'. Please contact Jen ([ejs461@hotmail.com](mailto:ejs461@hotmail.com)) to discuss volunteering.

FREE LESSON DRAWING: Robyn Harter won the free lesson. Congratulations Robyn!

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30P. NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT RIDE-ON-RANCH OCTOBER 20 AT 7P.

Respectfully submitted by Elaine Meilahn (standing in for Sharon Peart, Secretary)