

Tri-State Riding Club Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2014

Marion duPont Scott Equine Medical Center Library

Attendees: Pat Brescia, Linda Giannino, Nicole Caruso, Jessica Eads, Rhonda Boatwright, Patty Tracy, Laurie Allen, Ann Menninger, Liz Shockley, Mary Gustafson, Elaine Meilahn, Samantha Rowland, Pat Armstrong, Marilyn Davis, Sharon Peart, Hila Wever

Driving Clinic: There are currently no future plans for another driving clinic. The plan is to work on this with the hope of a future regular lesson program for members. Elaine Meilahn will co-ordinate with the Club on the details.

Hunt Trail Ride: Andrea Justice has offered to co-ordinate another hunt trail ride with the Loudoun/Fairfax hunt. More details to follow.

Obstacle Clinic April 2014: Rosie Lawler has offered to host a free to member's obstacle clinic at her facility.

Eventing Camp: Robyn Harter has volunteered to co-ordinate the English summer camps. Elaine Meilahn, who co-ordinated the camp last year will assist where needed.

Brochure Update: Mary Gustafson would like to update the Club's brochure, using updated pictures and adding information on the driving division. The hope is to complete the brochure so that it is available at the tack sale.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurers Report was read.

Tack Sale: Two speakers have been identified and cheques for rentals have started to come in. The sale will be on February 22, 2014. Fabiola Winery will be participating and have offered to provide a door prize. Other businesses will be approached to participate. There will be 20 – 25 vendor spaces. The event has been advertised and interest is growing. There will be speakers hopefully one an hour to add interest.

New Board Members: Sharon Peart was introduced as the new Secretary to the Club. Gratitude was expressed to Judy Brescia for her tireless contributions and excellent work as Secretary to TSRC.

Christmas Party: The Christmas Party must be finalized by next week. Attendees should identify what they intend to bring to share and will be asked to bring their own drinks. Mary Gustafson will resend the invitation to members. The party will start at 6:30 pm.

Lesson Program: A new series of lessons will be available at the end of January and the end of February at Last Frontier Farm in Berryville. The first series will be flat work and the second session will be jump orientated. Auditing is permitted.

Loudoun County Equine Alliance: On January 27th there will be the opportunity to participate in a meeting at the Morven Park Equestrian Center to discuss the Lovettsville Park and in particular the intended equestrian facilities.

Nearsville Trail System: The Nearsville Trail system has been given state park status by the departing governor Bob McDonald. This is a nice set of trails which will have state money invested.

DVD Availability: At the winter party DVD's of all the November Tri State events should be available. This will include Last Frontier Farm and the November driving clinic. Still pictures will also be available.

Meeting Speakers: Elaine Meilahn is planning to co-ordinate speakers for upcoming meetings and would welcome topic suggestions. One topic for consideration is Lyme disease. A hands on bandaging clinic is being considered for a future date given by Rosie Barwick, EMC Vet Tech.

Donation to EMC: A vote was taken, motioned by Mary Gustafson to give the EMC a \$500.00 donation, seconded by Patti Tracy. The donation will be allocated to new equipment for the EMC.

Minutes submitted by Sharon Peart