

January 2008 Youth Report

Sorry for the lateness....The youth could not hold a meeting in December as planned and decided to hold an 'e' meeting instead to get everyone's opinions about things...

Also, we have decided this year to not vote in dressage youth chair etc... because we felt it was a waste because no one would ever have to do anything in these positions so we are just having a youth committee....just a whole bunch of kids who want to give their opinions etc...(If you know someone who would want to be on the committee, simply send me their email).

First off...Camp!

People are a little confused about what is happening in regards to camp this year. We also have heard the comment that it is really too bad that the older kids will be separate from the younger. Also, people were sad that there wouldn't be a big club get together for a whole week for old and young.

Although we think it will be a better learning opportunity for the older kids, it's just too bad that camp as we know it is over.

Banquet!

Again, the comment that keeps returning....The little old ladies steal our food! We believe that we should either switch caterers or something because people are not happy with the herman prior people. Also, one of the youth members suggested that for the power point that each club make their section of the power point and put it to music, that way they would have the pictures they want and it would be for example 'à la Mars Hill!'. Of course, clubs would be limited to a certain amount of pictures.

Calendars!

We think the 2008 calendars lack class. For example, there is a picture inside with a girl doing cross-country with no sleeves! We think it is absurd that these pictures show horses and riders in turnout less than what would be required at any pony club function. We feel, talking with other people in the horse community, that these calendars do not showcase (for the most part) pony club as an organization who puts emphasis on position and appearance of horse & rider. The youth, when discussing thought that the calendars were a good idea for promoting pony club but the picture selection should have been more picky. We believe that the front page of the calendar should have an absolutely gorgeous, George Morris worthy picture, not a picture that anybody who knows jumping would roll their eyes at. In all, we definitely like the 2007 calendar better.

Fundraising!

We will be fundraising in 2008. But, we have not set our hearts on anything yet.

Benefit Show!

We LOVED the green division addition! It had many riders in it and we believed it did only positives to the show! Hats off to the benefit show committee!

Quiz!

We thought the quizzes of 2007 were absolutely awesome! But we have opinion that we would like to be explored... We think that the Eastman and Westman quiz should be abolished. We know that right now you HAVE to go to the east or west man quizzes in order to qualify for nationals from regionals but it is honestly a waste of time for the people attending the quizzes as well as making the quizzes. We believe that we should save our good quiz station ideas for regionals. Eastman and westman for the C's and up is absolutely useless because we only have barely enough C's and up who want or can go to National Quiz. We know that going to these pre qualifier quizzes is supposed to show your willingness to work for quiz but if we want people to be committed to quiz maybe we could simply, once we have our teams, have study sessions etc...

PC Amazing Race!

Our first venture of the year is the PC Amazing Race...it's a game everyone in the province can play and it will start February first...check the newsletter for more details!

That's all we've got for now. Thanks everyone

Stephanie (east youth rep) & Karly (west youth rep) and the rest of the committee!