



MANITOBA PONY CLUB

Regional Meeting
April 19, 2008
Canad Inn

Portage la Prairie 12:00 PM



1. **Welcome and Introductions**
John called the meeting to order at 12:20 and welcomed everyone.
2. **Approval of Minutes from January 13, 2008.**
 - ◆ **Motion:** Barb Bradley/Helene Savard
That we accept the minutes from January 13, 2008 as circulated. Cd.
3. **Review Agenda**
No changes.
4. **National Director's Report** – Lori Leverington (attached)
5. **75th Anniversary Power Point**
Lori showed the new presentation to let people know what is planned for the 75th Anniversary.
6. **Pony Club Promotional Power Point**
John showed the new presentation he has been working on for people to show to prospective parents and new parents. It can also be used for promotion at fairs etc.
7. **Financial Reports**
 - 7.1 **Updated financial report**
 - ◆ **Motion:** Leslie Wishart/Doug Dealey
That we accept the financial report as presented. Cd.
 - 7.2 **Budget 2008**
Committees need to send Leslie budget requests for 2008 and 2009.
Discussed fund raising possibilities.
 - 7.3 **Budgeting for 2009 75th Anniversary**
11 people to Toronto National ½ airfare – prepare budget for Leslie
 - 7.4 **Budgeting for National Championships**
As we now send people to Quiz, Show Jumping, Dressage and Tet, can we still afford to pay the entire entry fee? A discussion followed and the consensus was to leave it as is for this year, provided that the Discipline Chair submitted an appropriate budget. It was noted that this could cost us approximately ½ of our current funds on hand.
8. **Discipline Reports**
 - 8.1 **General –Discipline Grant Applications**
All Discipline Chairs were reminded that these have to be into the appropriate National Discipline Chairs by April 30. We can't afford to lose any of this money.
 - 8.2 **Dressage**
MB is not hosting Starter Level. Starter Level has been dropped from the National Championships. Try not to put several PC events on the same day.
Will be Dressage at camp.
 - 8.3 **Education (Attached)**
July 18-20 Evaluation Clinic
Recognition of equine activities by school divisions. Need to lobby the Education minister.
Kim Ryan-Nichols, Stephanie Sawatzky, Karen McLean and Doug Dealey will form a committee to work on recognition of equine activities in the school system.

- 8.4 Rally**
Regional Rally info and entry forms were distributed. It will be held in Carroll on June 13-15 in conjunction with the Willville Spring Horse Trials.

Eastman Mock Rally will be held on May 31 and June 1. Hopefully, 20 riders will be able to participate. There will be 2 hours each of Dressage, Stadium and Cross Country, in groups of 5 on the first day. There will be a mock competition on the second day. The clinicians will be Katherine McCullough, Tristan Caswell and Brittany Barker. It will be held at Quarry Ridge Farm.

- 8.5 PPG**
No report

- 8.6 Quiz**
Attached
Westman quiz written test was very difficult. There was some concern over this and it was felt that someone else should vet the tests.

- 8.7 Show Jumping**
Attached.
Very successful.
Possibly offering a Pony Club class in a H/J show from the SJ clinic series.
Red River Ex site will be used for Heart
Karly Woods is our rep to the National Show Jumping Medal Championships in Nova Scotia.
Danae Martin clinic – August, one day, all levels
Rebecca Meyers – equitation over fences, all levels
Is Manitoba interested in hosting National SJ next year? We felt that Manitoba would not be ready for hosting in 2009.

- 8.8 Testing**
Written Tests for Regional Test is May 16th in Westman at Hydro Building in Souris at 6:30 pm. We need someone to supervise the test in the east. Karen will supervise test in Eastman.
Candidates are Brettlyne Wood, Katrina Johnson and Michelle Johnson from the east and Meghan Nichols, Katie Boisvert, Karly Woods, Sydney Hewitt, Sara Berry and Cailey Nichol from the west. Only 1 C1 has applied. So we have planned two days of C2 testing and will test the C1, HB and HB2 during the two days. The 3 C2's from away and the C1 will test on Monday, August 24 and the 4 Brandon C2's will test on Tuesday, August 26.

- 8.9 Tetrathlon**
Attached.
John will follow up with Sarah about what is happening in Tetrathlon and Nationals.

9. Other Reports

9.1 Membership

Attached.
Correction to the attached report - Baldur has 16 members.
In total we have 108 members - 4 members without HC membership yet. DC's are reminded that the kids can not participate without HC membership
Discussion re getting both PSO and MPC memberships done in a timely fashion.
How about an incentive? One suggestion was that everyone who has both memberships in and confirmed by November 30 will be put into a draw for something.

DC's are warned that next year, the National Office will not spend hours confirming memberships. All members are strongly encouraged to get both membership forms and fees sent in well before Christmas.

9.2 Communications

Doug reviewed pictures for calendar, sent out last newsletter. Doug will do an article for Horse Country. Birds Hill Grand Prix ring will have a ditch and a dyke added to it.

9.3 Youth

Amazing race was great.

9.4 Camp

Portage Camp – needs someone to take on rainbow auction.

Each Branch to pay \$45 for food and prizes.

Need people to help put jumps back into the trailer.

Senior Camp – Entry forms and tentative schedule was handed out. Interested kids are encouraged to enter as soon as possible as space is limited.

Mars Hill is apposed to separating the camps.

It was explained that we decided to split the camp this year because Portage Fairgrounds was planning to start construction and we would lose the space required to take 70 kids. It was decided at the January meeting that the Portage Camp would take all the D levels plus C's and any C1's not testing. A senior clinic would be offered for those members testing at the C1 and above level in Carroll later in August. The senior clinic has space for 20 people and only 8 people are testing the upper levels, so there is room for about 12 more people.

9.5 Benefit Show

Teri Gudmundson will judge the walk-trot.

Margie Teske & Jan Stephens are confirmed.

CD & Steward still needed.

Do we run as Discovery or Bronze? We need to look into this.

9.6 Web Site

No report.

9.7 Fund Raising

No raffle this year.

9.8 Awards Banquet 2008

No report

9.9 Horse Council – AGM, April 26, 2008

Phil Crowe, Val Crowe, Doug Dealey, Marilyn Funk and possibly John Moehring will attend – raise issue of equine activities in the school system.

10. Other Business

None

11. Next Meeting

Sept. 21 at the Portage Fair Board office starting at 11:00. Bring something for a potluck.

12. Adjournment

- ◆ **Motion:** Barb Bradley/Lori Leverington
That we adjourn the meeting at 5:47 pm. Cd.

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Attendance List**

Position	Name	Alternate	Present
Regional Chair	John Moehring		✓
Regional Vice Chair/Dressage/NH DC	Helene Savard		✓
Treasurer	Leslie Wishart		✓
Secretary /VC	Val Crowe		✓
Membership Secretary	Barb Bradley		✓
Baldur DC/National Director	Lori Leverington		✓
Baldur ADC /VC/Testing	Dianna Lee Fraser		Regrets
Brandon DC	Kim Ryan-Nicholls		✓
Brandon ADC	Terry Klassen		A
Mars Hill DC	Nadine Orchard		Regrets
Mars Hill ADC	Susan Wilson		✓
North Hill DC / Dressage	Helene Savard		✓
North Hill ADC	Lyne Tunmer		A
Portage DC	Tim Klassen		A
Portage ADC	Monique Rutbeek		A
Prairie Valley DC	Elizabeth Sims		Regrets
Prairie Valley ADC	Wendy Brownlie		A
Quarry Ridge DC /Education	Karen MacLean		✓
Quarry Ridge ADC/PPG	Lisa Brown		Regrets
Red River DC	Wanda Hicks		A
Red River ADC	Cheryl Heming		A
Windy Plains DC/Rally	Lisa Taylor		✓
Windy Plains ADC/Show Jumping	Debbie Wood		✓
Quiz Chair/Deputy Director	Maria Berry		Regrets
Tetrathlon Chair	Sarah Read		Regrets
Visiting Commissioner	Amy Hawkins		A
Youth Rep East	Stephanie Sawatzky		✓
Youth Rep West	Karly Woods		A
Bingo Rep	Harry Crawley		A
Communications	Doug Dealey		✓
Show Jumping	Cheryl Wishart		✓