

Manitoba Horse Council 2014 Council of Clubs Meeting

Sunday November 16, 2014

Welcome and Introduction

- There were 23 Clubs present and 4 clubs on the phone

Agenda

- There were no additions to the agenda and the agenda was approved
 - Minutes of May 3, 2014 AGM; 2013/2014 Audited Financial Statement; 2015-2016 Membership Categories/Fees, By Laws; Provincial Competition Circuit; WEGS Presentation; President's Message; Questions and/or suggestions for consideration; 2014 MHC Awards Presentation

Minutes for May 3, 2014 AGM

- There were no corrections
- Minutes Approved

2013/2014 Audited Financial Statement

- Statement was updated since last meeting

2015-2016 Membership Categories/Fees

- Note that Junior memberships have been increased from \$10 to \$20 to cover the cost of insurance
- **Club insurance has increased from \$300 to \$325 to cover the cost of insurance**
- Temporary membership can be used for a 1 day pass in a member club show
- There are currently 6 member clubs without insurance so they don't need to participate in the insurance purchase.

By Laws

- The membership year will change from March-March to **January-December starting in 2017**, this will be further discussed at the AGM but please consider this advanced notice. This means 2016 will be a prorated membership year.

Provincial Competition Circuit

- Heritage Classic Show Circuit
 - Information will be available in January, as this circuit will be brought back.
 - The purpose of this circuit is to: increase the provincial level of competition; increase awareness; standardize rules and registration; broad base of participation; provincial championship awards; education and participation.
 - They are looking for committee members
 - Levels: Junior A (15-17 y.o); B (12-14 y.o.), C (<= 11), Adult
 - PowerPoint presentation will be available via MHC office
 - Show Divisions were listed

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- **There are many show divisions, eventing is not one of them, if we would like eventing to be added we must talk to Bruce Rose ASAP**
- However, there is dressage from walk/trot to 1st level; Hunter from cross rails to 2'6"
- This program will be formerly presented to MAFRI (Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives) and MAAS (Manitoba Association of Agricultural Societies) in the near future.
- How it will work:
 - The show committee will receive the handbook from the MHC office and pick the divisions they'd like to host. MHC will issue a permit from the show office for insurance, provide a nomination form, record book etc.
 - The competitor (who is an MHC member), will receive a nomination form, pay a \$10 fee and picture of their horse (could use EC passport) to MHC, get the handbook of rules etc.
 - Results will be available on the MHC website
- Officials Certification Program:
 - New rules and rates
 - There will be a training course available in the new year, 2 days, ½ day of provincial level course
 - We currently have 8-10 GP judges in MB
- Please note that regional development is no longer a priority of Sport Manitoba which will make this funding avenue difficult

WEGS Presentation

- Jessica Manness- ranked 13 in the world for endurance riding
- 2013 MEC then moved up quickly to the 2014 WEG in France
- Only had 60 days notice to get to France and it required >\$30k with no Sport Canada Support
- Interesting presentation
- ***Jen's comment: I believe we donated \$250 to her in August to help with expenses, perhaps she could write a quick blurb for our newsletter.**

President's Message

- 2018 WEG in QC, they are looking for volunteers at Bromont
- New facility manager at the equestrian park this year, he will continue this year. Please let MHC know of any requested changes for the facility to be passed on
- National Design and building clinic had 17 people (note: EC thought we'd only get 8), almost all provinces were represented (including a strong Manitoba representation) and we now have 4 new jumps
- MB went to the CIEC in QC but this time leased 8 horses (last time Danae hauled). Youngest rider was 11 y.o (MB). Cost is ~ \$3100 per rider, after

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Bruce was able to help out it was down to \$1100 then clubs were able to fund riders and the final cost to the rider was only \$500-600

- Jan Stephens was awarded Equine Official of the Year via Jump Canada
- NAJYR- Manitoba was represented by dressage rider Nachele Ford
- MEC-Increase the number of groups this past year. Clubs are able to do MEC 1 day and host their own show the second day
- Recreational grants were granted this year
- Safety Handbook prepared with assistance from MPI, and Parks/Highways, is now available
- Springfield Horse Community has a Facebook Page
- Bylaws are still not settled
- **EC AGM is the last week in March**
- **MHT should nominate people for the annual MHC awards**
- **New MHC Office Manager starting in January**
- **Report Athletes at the national level and above to Jan, Only those competing in open division are eligible (not Masters)**

2014 Manitoba Horse Council Annual Awards Presentation

- Athlete of the Year: Jessica Manness
- Horse of the Year: Great Glide (Jessica Manness)
- Horse Industry Professional of the Year: Sue Braun
- Coach of the Year: Sheryl Feller
- Volunteer of the Year: Charlee McLaughlin-Ventnor
- President Award: Garrett Smith

Meeting Adjourned