OTB August Dressage Club Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:10. Present were Ginka, Anna, Kelly, Tom, Jane, Marcy, Tara, Jessica and Stephanie.

Treasurer's report:

Balance of \$10,290. Made \$4893 profit from the show. Also, \$124 profit from the clinic at Jane's this past spring. Kelly moved to approve, second by Tara. Accepted.

Old Business:

Kelly asked whether people liked the food and whether it was worth it to have Mike come.

Anna brought up the date conflict with Rebecca Farms in MT (brought to our attention by an email by Carol Mavrokis). Plus, then we would avoid Frontier days, and there is a gap typically between our show and Estes. Perhaps we should consider an early August date. Both the first and second weekends in August do not conflict with other nearby shows. Steph mentioned state fair and county fair too. We converged upon the second weekend in August. Motion to look into moving our show date to the first or second date in August, pending Heather's preference.

Venue: The Wolfe's new facility (Wolfe Ranch) may be a possibility for 2023, but we should have a backup plan. If we change our venue after September 20th, we would need to pay a \$100 change in venue fee per show. We will decide at the September meeting.

For the outdoor footing at Hansen to be decent, however, Hansen's outdoor arena would need some sand added. So we need to sleuth the likelihood of that. Steph also heard that the footing at the fairgrounds is much improved.

Steph talked to Mimi (competitor) who thought that all was okay except for the footing because of the rain.

If the Wolfe's facility can be constructed in time, our temporary stalls will be affixed to the walls so we do not have to set them up and down for each show! So there will be the backs available that we could use to build some additional stalls if needed, depending on the extra panels still at Mary Lynne's and Larry's.

Jane talked to some CO folks who said they did not come because of the limiting stabling. So we probably do not need to indicate "stabling will be limited!" in the future.

Ginka emphasized that we should find a photo of Ester's century ride! RMDS might want a photo too.

Stephanie will post photos from clinic and show soon. Please send Stephanie a few of your favorite photos from the show if you want! Please send to: info@onthebitdressage.com.

Do we need to inform folks of our elevation explicitly in the future? (in reference to Roxanne Story's horse who had the nose bleed).

Heather said we can still use Victoria as a TD next year since Covid year did not count! Ginka will book her.

New Business:

Shall we resume educational presentations? Jane recommended Jen from Happy Horse to do a clinic on saddle fitting.

Also, veterinary topics such as showing at high elevation?

Stephanie said that Kristi Wysocki said to get in touch with her in Sept. for a clinic in spring/summer 2023.

Move to adjourn at 839 by Anna, seconded by Kelly. All in favor.