

May 2020 OTB Meeting Minutes

Present were Ginka, Anna, Tom, Kelly, Stephanie, Tara, Mary Lynne, Robert, Tammy, Christy, Jessica. Meeting called to order at 7:08. April minutes read. Move to approve by Robert, seconded by Kelly.

Treasurer's report:

Provided by Tom. Current balance is \$1815.81. Not much change from last month. Move to approve by Kelly, seconded by Stephanie.

OLD BUSINESS

- Groundwork clinic with Clinton Anderson Ambassador penciled in for Sept. 12.
- Kelly talked to Dr. Kerry Edwards (Laramie veterinarian) about nutrition and supplements clinic for the club. She would prefer to do clinic when we can all get together in person. She wants to know specifically what we'd like to learn about. And Kelly talked to Ed Ulrich at Arc and he is also willing to facilitate getting the ADM nutrition rep up here too. Either can do a clinic by Zoom too. Timing is difficult to determine right now though. Both clinics would be free. Timing tabled until next month. Mary Lynne asked if we could also Zoom it too for those unable to attend in person. Email Kelly kawolfe5359@gmail.com with specific topic requests.
- Ride-A-Test in Cheyenne with Kathleen Donnelly: Still on for June 28th, we still need some volunteers! There are some pretty stringent USEF COVID rules in place but this event is not a USEF event. Kelly and Tom have a touchless thermometer. May need to allow some extra time between riders etc. And would need to figure out distance between judge and scribe(s). But consensus is that we could figure things out. Tom suggested we should have some sort of form outlining procedures, and we will need to sign an additional waiver. Kelly and Tom will ask County Health officer what her suggestions are. Consensus was to move forward as planned.
- Recognized show: July 18th & 19th. We don't feel like we can bother local businesses much this year for donations, so if you have any items you would like to donate to our silent auction or would like to support us with monetary funds, we would appreciate that very much! Of course, volunteer hours are also highly appreciated!

Tom: Judges coming from CA and FL so need to contact them. If we needed to cancel would need to cancel judges by 6 weeks out or we are committed to still pay their daily fee. Ginka will contact Heather Peterson (show manager) for advice on holding our show. USEF show rules would need to be adhered to: e.g., Anyone involved in preparation and show has to have temperature measured, wear mask, riders can only bring one family member, Stabling must set up as social distancing, etc. (read details in USEF email).

Anna: given that this is not a good year to solicit sponsorship, do we even have the funds?? Stephanie asked what last year's show costs were: Tom said approximately

\$12K. And we had about \$16K in income with sponsorships, registration, silent auction. But Tom and Kelly think we could still get some sponsors. Jessica will ask Spur Ridge about space for parking and stalls. There is less space now there that they are building more apartments etc. Some discussion ensued about where we might change the venue for the future...

Stalls: Robert and Tammy do not have money to build roof (nor did members feel that they should pay for it). Kelly and Tom obtained a tent quote of \$2200 for a 40' x 40'. (So we would need two or more). Need to do geometry to figure out how many stalls we can fit under tents. Robert will look into it and get an estimate. Tom can go back and get another estimate for the number/size of tents. Stephanie also found an online source for portable stall roof too. We need to figure this out asap.

Local group will coordinate via email over the next week and make a decision about the show.

NEW BUSINESS

Lots of events have been cancelled; at this point it looks like there are events coming up in June:

- NCDA Ride-A-Test with Julie Haugen June 6th at Phantom Hill, Fort Collins, CO
- Nighthawk Dressage Shows June 13th & 14th (first shows of the season?)

Great job Christy with the facebook page, and thanks to Stephanie and Christy for updating the website!

Opinions on starting member presentation again? (Postpone until after the show is over!)

Meeting adjourned at 8:55.

Stay well everybody.