

Don't forget your 2008 membership. You may return them at any meeting, or if you are unable to attend, you can fill them out & mail them back to: LCHA, P.O. Box 224, Lakeview, OR 97630. We have added an additional line for your E-mail address, we encourage everyone to include this and request your newsletter to be E-mailed instead of mailed to you. Thank you.

Lake County Horsemen's Association
P.O. Box 224
Lakeview OR, 97630



Our next meeting will be April 17th, 6 pm, potluck, at the Senior Center.

LCHA Monthly Meeting March 20, 2008

Members present: Dusty Counts, Norma Angele, Cheryl Theall, Marissa Brooke, Janet and Josh Pennington, Ashley Hendrick, Jay and Gloria Counts, Steve Hatfield, Heidi McManus, Celia Montgomery, Verna and Don Deter, Teresa Brooke, Toni Turman, Diane Bender, Heidi Albertson, Allen Mathews, Wendi and Dan Mackey, Sonya and James Mathews, Veronica Butler, Mariah Grant, Taylor Goff, Doris Webster, Tammy West, Stacey Martin, Jessica Theall, Michelle Lee and Karina Lee.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 by President Dusty Counts.

Minutes were read and amended with Diane Bender being a Trail Co-Chair with Toni Turman, and a reminder that you must be a paid member to hold a position. A motion was made by Teresa Brooke to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Sonya. Motion passes.

Financials were presented by Norma Angele. A motion was made by Gloria Counts to accept the financials as presented, second by Toni Turman. Motion passes. Norma also presented the bill to pay for the Secretary of State, fees for non-profit designation, of \$50, and it was reiterated that now signature cards are done at the bank we need to add the 2nd savings account for the Wilson fund. A motion was made by Teresa to pay the bill that was presented, second by Sonya. Motion passes.

Old Business:

Chair presentations were made:

Show: Nothing to report

Trail: Toni and Diane presented a list of tentative trail dates as follows; 4/19 (desert ride, approx 3-4 hours), 5/25, 6/21, 7/19-20 (overnight), 8/10, 9/20. These dates are tentative and people are encouraged to volunteer to host/ organize a ride for these dates, or others.

Parade: Cheryl reported that due to weather concerns, LCHA did not have any members participate in the St. Patrick's Parade. We will discuss other parades that are possible as they get closer.

The **April clinic** was discussed and set for the dates of the 11th and 12th. After much discussion it was motioned by Heidi McManus to set the clinic dates and clinician as presented and to take consignments and 10% of the proceeds will go to LCHA, seconded by Wendi Mackey. The motion was further amended that the sale will include any livestock/horse related items, and that all consigning parties must be responsible to take back any unsold items at the end of the sale. The amendment was voted on and passed; the original motion was voted on and passed with the amendment added. A motion was made to sell the Drill team uniforms as individual items at the tack sale as well. Motion made by Teresa, seconded by Norma. Motion passes.

Jay Counts presented his idea for the Groundwork, Early colt starting clinic. Topics will include; the background of the horse (wild vs. backyard, etc.), the horse-human relationship, safety for both human and horse, how a horse learns, and gaining respect on the ground. Demonstrations will include round penning, lunging, desensitizing and sensitizing the horse, introduction to saddling and the first 3 rides. Jay also reminds everyone to bring a notepad and take notes. Norma reminded everyone to bring their own chairs for guaranteed seating.

Advertising for the clinic was discussed with Dusty putting an ad in the newspaper and the Board creating a flyer for posting around town.

Some **safety issues** were presented from last season and discussed. Among these, several were motioned on to add to the show rules as strongly encouraged or discouraged. They are as follows; 1) current fashion boots with low heels and aggressive tread were motioned by Sonya to be strongly discouraged for riders to compete or ride in at LCHA events, seconded by Verna Deter. Motion passes. 2) Continuous (barrel style), or knotted reins were motioned by Janet to be mandatory for Gaming, seconded by Ashley. After much discussion the motion was amended to strongly suggest and encourage the use of continuous or knotted reins for gaming. This amendment was made by Sonya, seconded by Veronica. Amendment passes with 1 opposed, main motion passes with 1 opposed.

The **webpage** was discussed with Ashley Hendrick volunteering to run the webpage with the current billing to the Theall's staying the same and no additional maintenance fees. The motion to pass the webpage to Ashley was made by Ashley and seconded by Cheryl. Motion passes. Also it was discussed to put the website address on the newsletters so that members may have it in case it has been forgotten.

The issue of where to get **poles** from for the trail arena was discussed. A motion was made by Teresa and seconded by Marissa to table until further info could be gathered. An amendment was made to put a committee together to bring pricing options to the group in order to nail down something to move forward with. Committee members were Sonya and James as committee chairs, Doris and Heidi Albertson as members. It was discussed that pole prices should be for at least 4 inch diameter poles.

The **gaming committee** chair (Teresa) presented its findings on splitting the buckle series into a show series and a gaming series. Support was found to split the series and sponsors have already committed for buckle and prizes. It was also discussed that for our insurance purposes it would be much easier to make membership mandatory for participation in the shows. A motion was made by Heidi Albertson to split the buckle series into two, those being a show series and a gaming series, with a membership requirement and a minimum of 2 show days for each series. The motion was seconded by Marissa. Motion passes by a vote of 16 to 4.

A motion was made by Teresa to use **ribbons instead of plates**, seconded by Sonya. After discussion, an amendment was made by Janet to offer the plates or ribbons to the competitors until they run out and then we will continue with ribbons. The amendment was seconded by Marissa. Motion passes.

New Business:

Due to several discrepancies in membership forms, **family memberships** were discussed, with the only legally acceptable family rates going to legal guardians and grandparents. Also with minors there are two signatures that are required for the forms. This information is per the by-laws.

The Board of Directors discussed that they are coming up with a **judges list** to help show hosts choose an appropriate judge. A motion was made by Gloria that we keep judges fees between \$200 and \$300, with an emphasis on some donation of time if possible. Motion seconded by Teresa, motion passes.

Participation points were discussed. Do people want to return to the points system? A motion was made by Teresa to reinstate the participation points, seconded by Gloria. The motion was amended by Cheryl to be retroactive to the first of the year and to reinstate the Horseman of the Year award to the point system. Amendment was seconded by Gloria. The amendment passes, and amended main motion passes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

Upcoming Events:

April 11-12—Tack swap and Clinic (see flyer)

April 17—LCHA Monthly Meeting, potluck, 6 pm, Senior Center

April 19—Desert Trail Ride, contact Toni Turman for details 947-3592.

Don't forget that LCHA's website address is:

www.lakecountyhorsemen.com

2nd ANNUAL TACK SWAP & CLINIC

Lake County Horsemen's Association

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!!!

WHERE: 92376 Dog Lake Lane, West Side

Lakeview, Oregon (Norma Angele's Horse Facility)

Hwy 140 West of Lakeview, 4.5 miles south on Tunnel Hill Rd.

Turn left on Dog Lake Lane, (If you hit the Westside Store, you have missed Dog Lake Lane). Look for the **dome arena** on the right.

WHEN: **Friday**, April 11, 4:00 – 7:00 pm

Tack Swap Setup and Sale

Saturday, April 12, 10:00 – 4:00pm

Tack Swap Sale Setup and Sale Cont.

12:00 – 2:00 pm

FREE Early Colt Starting Clinic

Tack Swap: Local Horsemen will be selling both new and used articles of tack & grooming supplies, Western & English apparel, and other livestock related items. Come have a look! If you are interested in being a vender, please contact Cheryl at 947- 2807. Horses for sale will be listed on a bulletin board; we will also have some used trailers for sale!!!

Clinic: This will encompass early colt starting including horse & human principles, respect, round-penning, lunging, & the first few rides; Featuring clinician Jay Counts.

* Bring your pencil and paper to take notes, and a comfortable chair!