

CDS POMONA CHAPTER Board Meeting – Monday, May 21, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM

Board Members Present: Kim Hudson Watts, Kris Hubbard, Joanne Gentry-Ebert, Mylene Chow-Jugan
A quorum is present.

SHOWS:

Steppin' Into Summer Dressage Show – June 10, 2018

CDS Rated, WDAA Rated, CAWDA Rated

Judges are Jan Curtis and Eileen Fagan.

Diana Muravez will be present as Show Secretary, Dhana Holck will be Show Manager

- 1) Discussed that we have added 2 new classes to our Prize List: "Test of Choice Training – Fourth" and "Test of Choice – FEI ". This will allow riders to sign up for two rides of the same level and same test at a single show. It will however not guarantee that they will receive scores from two different judges in the event that we have only one judge at a particular show due to attendance numbers of participants.
- 2) Discussion held re: WDAA recognition and continuance of having our shows recognized by this organization. Require a \$35 fee per show and that judges be members of WDAA. If judges are not members the Chapter has previously paid for their membership allowing them to judge the Western riders for annual scores. Also requires the presence of a "bit checker" at the show gate, although in previous shows that individual has been provided by WDAA at no cost to our Chapter. Kris motioned that we continue to keep the WDAA recognition since the Western riders constitute a large majority of our entrants. Motion second by Kim Watts, all in favor. Mylene will ask Diana Muravez for a list of names and email addresses of past Western riders so they can be notified that our shows will continue to be both CAWDA and WDAA rated.
- 3) Joanne will send out an email blast regarding the show and that the final date for entries without late fee is May 31, 2018. She will also include in her email that we have added the 2 new "Test of Choice" classes to our prize list for all shows, including the June 10th show.
- 4) Joanne will again set up the Sign-up Genius site for the upcoming show. She is asking that we assign a board member to handle all volunteer coordination. Katrin Harich was mentioned as a possible board member to handle volunteers in the future.
- 5) Prize Buffet: Mylene to purchase some additional items for the prize buffet table with hopes to receive the items in time for our June 10th show.
- 6) Lunch: Mylene will order 2 trays of sandwiches and Kris will pick them up the day of the show. The trailer is stocked with drinks, water and chips. Kris will check to see that adequate supplies of plates and napkins are available in the trailer or purchase any items that are needed. We will need someone to man the lunch table during the lunch break.

EDUCATION/CLINICS:

- 1) Upcoming Alfredo Hernandez clinic will be held at Fox Creek Ranch on June 23 & 24, 2018. Joanne will send out email blast with info to have interested participants contact Tiffany Kell. The cost will be partially defrayed by the \$400.00 donation received from the employer of S. Bennett. Pomona Chapter members will be \$125.00 per ride, non-Pomona Chapter members will be \$150.00 per ride.

- 2) Freestyle Clinic with Cynthia Collins will be held at Fox Creek Ranch on July 29, 2018. Contact will be Tiffany Kell. Cost per participant will be dependent on level of freestyle being purchased. Additional details will be needed in order to send out email blast to Chapter members.
- 3) The AA Clinic held April 13 & 14, 2018 with Melissa Creswick was a success. Our chapter representative was Chris Stevens. The Jr/YR clinic to be held June 8-10, 2018 had only one applicant, Julia Robles. Although Julia joined the Pomona Chapter in October 2017 and did not meet the required "One Year Member" rule per our application we felt that she should be allowed to ride. A motion was made to change our rules regarding both the AA and Jr/YR clinic to state that the applicant will be required to be "A Pomona Chapter member in good standing for a minimum of one year* and have satisfied the minimum number of volunteer hours prior to the clinic for the show year" *discretionary to the Board should only one applicant is received.

GRANTS/SCHOLARSHIPS:

- 1) Young Rider Grant of \$250.00 for 2018 was not applied for by anyone. Balance remaining is \$750.00.
- 2) Rider Subsidy Award: Email blast will remind members that applications for the 2nd Quarter of 2018 are due by no later than July 15, 2018.
A motion was made by Joanne to eliminate one of the two \$300.00 awards and utilize that money for a Pomona Chapter member clinic, ie) having a Ride Your Test clinic with fees for the riders to be reduced substantially. The motion was second by Kris, all in favor. This change will take place beginning January 2019.
- 3) A \$500.00 donation was received and the funds not ear-marked for any particular item(s). It was suggested that we use these funds to help defray costs for Year End Awards. There was discussion for buckles for the Champion winners this year. Joanne will look into costs per buckle.

FUTURE SHOWS:

- 1) August show August 12, 2018 is USEF/USDF/CDS rated. David Schmutz and Kathy Pavlich are contracted judges, Doris North is USDF Technical Delegate. August show is the same weekend as Southern RAAC and therefore there is great concern that our show will be extremely poorly attended.
- 2) Dhana to submit a copy of the August prize list to USEF and USDF a minimum of 45 days before the show date.
- 3) Discussion was held on the elimination of future triple rated shows for the Chapter. It was determined that the triple rated shows did not profit the Chapter as well as the single CDS rated shows and required more man power to operate. A MOTION WAS THEREFORE MADE BY JOANNE TO EFFECTIVE OUR 2019 SHOW SEASON TO NO LONGER HOLD A TRIPLE RATED SHOW AND TO HAVE FOUR SINGLE CDS RATED SHOWS that will cater to both the masses of our membership as well as to the Western Dressage community. The motion was second by Kim Watts, all in favor.

FINANCIAL:

- 1) Received a check in the amount of \$90.00 for the 40 percent of the proceeds from the sale of our Chapter basket at the annual CDS convention.
- 2) Kris reports the financial status for the Chapter as follows:
As of April 30, 2018 balance \$17,891.81. Balance at beginning of year (Jan 2018) \$14,634.46. The April Spring Fling Dressage show had a net profit of approximately \$3200.00 and was very successful. There are not large items in the immediate future that require payment.

- 3) A motion was made by Kris to purchase 6 new walkie talkies for the show. Kris will research Amazon and make the purchase. Kim seconds the motion, all in favor.
- 4) A \$300.00 credit payment was made to Yorba Linda Feed for the benefit of Dhana Holck for her services as show manager. The motion to approve was made by Joanne and second by Kim, all in favor.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- 1) Discussion was held to have a large permanent vinyl banner designed and made that would be displayed at all shows> This banner would show all the benefits of being a Pomona Chapter member...items such as Rider Subsidy, Education and Clinics, Year End Awards, AA & Jr/YR Clinics, etc. It was discussed that Mylene's son could design the banner and get quotes for the costs involved.
- 2) Audio system: Discussion was held with regards to the issues at shows with regards to freestyle music projection. Current methods are difficult to work with and there is currently no standardized media that the music is presented to us in. The prize list needs to be amended to state that we require that all freestyle music be given to us the day of the show on one particular form of media. Kim will have her son look at the PA system that the Chapter owns and the PA system at the show grounds to determine the best media that should be used for freestyle rides.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43PM. Next meeting date to be determined at a later date.