

Martha's Vineyard Horse Council Minutes

1/11/24

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 P.M.

In attendance: Vici Surr, Jen Rand, Julie Flanders, Porter Fraser, Nina McMann, Vickie Thurber, Heather Maciel, Ginny Lobdell, Charlene Douglas, Caroline Thornton, Jill Lane

Old Business:

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the December meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating; \$2,711.22 (balance after deducting scholarship money and First Aid Fund)

First Aid Fund: \$1,401.45

Scholarship: \$10,254.37

Junior: \$5,389.28

CD: \$17,817.07

Committee Updates:

Dressage: We are still looking for a new person to take over this committee.

Hunter: Samantha Look will organize two shows this year, one in July and the Fall Fuzzy in October.

Trail/Pace Rides: Stephanie will organize at least 2 events this year.

Education:

1. Lucile Bump will return to teach a Centered Riding clinic in April or early May.
2. We will ask the farriers Beth Lynn and Rachel Nydam to do another presentation.
3. Disaster Planning - what horse owners need to know

Scholarship: Applicants need to go through the high school guidance department.

New Business:

1. We need to make a donation to the MSPCA in honor of Tara Whitings horse Jack.
2. LAERC:
 - a. The committee's next meeting will be held on February 8 at 5:00, right before the next Horse Council meeting.
 - b. The committee is working on finding an equine vet to move to the island. Some housing has possibly been lined up for the fall.
 - c. Dr. Loheac will be on the island January 29 - 31 and will do a training for vet techs on using the x-ray machine.
 - d. Liz from SBS will buy 2 first aid kits from Smark Pak to be given to Animal Control Officers.
3. Jen Rand raised the idea of having a "library" or horse items such as a hay tester that members could borrow when needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

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