

**Columbia County**  
**4-H Horse Leaders Committee Meeting**  
**June 15, 2010**

Chairperson Janice Gonzales called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. There was no treasurer's report. The minutes of the May 18, 2010 meeting were approved as amended. [Horse Classic Committee Report corrected to read: "The intermediate presentations team took third at state and a senior individual presenter took third. The intermediate horse bowl team took fourth."]

**Committee Reports:**

**Fair:** Laura Kalhar noted that leaders should request assignments for fair duty ASAP.

**Judges:** Judges are set for fair.

**Performance:** In response to an inquiry from a leader, Laura reported that junior gamers can register novice for performance if they are qualified for novice even though they must register as non-novice juniors for gaming. Rhonda McDaniel raised a question about reinsmanship because a junior and an intermediate are sharing a pony and cart; in the past, all levels of reinsmanship have competed in the same class. Laura will ask the judges how they want to handle this situation.

**Trail:** Woody Davis explained the fence that is under construction from the NE corner of the 4-H building north to the campground entrance, with an entry gate, to control access. The entry will be pass-only (no cash). The pooling area for trail therefore must move because its usual location is the location of the new entry gate. Janice reported she is trying to schedule a time before fair to have the arenas open only to 4-H.

**Gaming:** Laurie Mapes described her telephone conference with Judge Nancy Collins, who is willing to have one contestant at a time in the arena and who does not require a "wave" from the rider for acknowledgment. Nancy will hold a rider's meeting before competition to explain "acknowledgment" and answer questions. Poles will be striped (two 3-inch-wide stripes per pole) as is done at state.

**Presentations:** No report.

**Jumping:** No report.

**Dressage:** Debbie Spitzenpfeil is confirmed as judge.

**Scorekeeping:** No report.

**Safety:** No report.

**Barn:** Kate Olson indicated that she should receive stall requests soon.

**Horse Informational Posters:** These are taken care of.

**Classic:** No report.

**Poker Ride:** Kate reported that fliers have been mailed and some posted. Prizes are desperately needed, and clubs should contribute prizes soon and plenty of volunteers on ride day, August 28. Prizes should be new or at least in excellent shape; they need not be horse-related. Cases of oil, fishing poles and similar non-horse items are popular. Between \$600 and \$700 in prizes bought last year, when 4-H did not sponsor the ride, are in Kate's possession for the ride this year.

**Youth Fair:** No report.

**Old Business:** Woody noted that wet weather may make clinics before fair impossible or scheduled on very short notice. There is a possibility of a dressage clinic the same day as gaming (June 26); Rhonda is willing. Woody presented revised safety check descriptions with check-off boxes and a gaming safety description that will be converted to a check-off list. The check-offs will be used only if the 4-H member presents an issue that needs to be corrected. It was moved, seconded and approved to add the new gaming section to the safety checklists, create a bullet checklist for gaming, and add two items to the hunt seat safety check (check stitching and evaluate helmet). Janice reported that Kate has arranged trucking for shavings.

Next meeting: September 21, 2010. Meeting adjourned 8:10 p.m.