MARION COUNTY HORSE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES  
May 18, 2015

Committee Members Attending: Linda Bentz, Patricia Combest, and Bonnie Beach.

Extension Staff: Melanie Mintken

Club Representatives Attending: Ally Mead - Misty Mountain Riders; Kristen Stoddard – Horsin’ Around; Claire Zielinski – Style N’ Strides.

Leaders Eligible to Vote: Kathy Mead – Misty Mountain Riders; Toni Kammers – Horsey Hooligans.


Meeting Called to Order: Melanie Mintken called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

April Minutes: Bonnie Beach made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, this motion was voted on and passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Bonnie reported that issued a check for $200 in payment of the insurance for the Leaders’ Show. The current balance in the account is: $558.22

Clinics: Pat Combest reported that the Gymkhana clinic went well. When she arrived the gate was still locked with a sign saying that no horses would be admitted. She had 12 members in attendance with the addition of parents and leaders there were about 22 people attending. Four members had to leave early and so were not able to get their certificate, these members said that it was not an issue as they didn’t plan on entering the gaming events. Pat wanted to thank the members and parents who jumped in and set everything up. She also reported that she had a first time junior who was having trouble and an older member took the junior under her wing. The junior followed the older member through the courses. There was some confusion with one event as the pattern was not the same one that OHSET followed. Pat had the manual and was able to show them that OHSET follows the Idaho pattern and Oregon has a separate pattern for the event.

Ranch Horse and Jumping has been rescheduled to May 31st. Members requiring a certificate for jumping need to contact Melanie to be put into the schedule, the certificate can come to the office later to be inserted into the records.
The June clinic is Ground Training and Showmanship and will be hosted by Equine Essence. The order of the clinic is:
- 8:00am – 1st and 2nd year under saddle as well as member trained green horse. (All ridden horses.)
- 9:00am – 10:00 am – Ground Training
- 10:00am – 12:00 pm – Showmanship

**Horse Show:** Melanie reported that it will happen as scheduled. She had been in contact with the State Veterinary and it was reported that there have been no new cases in the past week and a half. A question was asked if a warm up area will be available at the facility. They said that when they had attended a show there in the past there had been no place to warm up the horses. If you have not entered this show please do so, with the generous grant from the Electricians Union we will have no expenses to cover at all. The donation is directed at the costs of holding the show and cannot be carried over to cover any costs of the county fair. Every dollar in entry fees will go to county fair costs for awards and judges fees.

**Records:**
- There doesn’t have to be a separate divider for the “My 4-H Resume”, just change the divider name from Permanent Record to My 4-H Resume. The Resume goes in front of the old Permanent Record in the same section.
- Pull section VIII from the old Permanent Record and put behind the Advancements divider in front of the Advancements program pages.
- The record cover does not have to be the green 4-H one, as long as it is the same type of cover it can be any color.
- It is not necessary to move any items from the Permanent Record to the Resume. You only need to post the activity for the 2014 – 2015 4-H year in the 4-H Resume.

Note: The only time the 4-H Resume needs to have the Permanent Record information inserted is if/when the 4-H member applies for a 4-H scholarship.
- The pictures should only be: showing 4-H activities, for the current 4-H year, and they must be captioned. An open show would count as a 4-H activity since it is in essence practicing for 4-H events.
- All forms related to the Marion County Fair are due in the Extension office on Friday May 29th. The office will be open until 5pm that day.
- Melanie and Margie would appreciate it if you did not wait until the last minute delivering the county fair forms. The crunch on Friday could be avoided by coming in earlier in the week and more time could be devoted to any questions that need researching.

**Volunteer Hours for County Fair:** You can log back into the volunteer sign up program but you can only look at what is there and add hours you **can only** change your hours. Remember that each club must volunteer 4 hours for each member entered into the horse classes at the fair. There may be requests for additional hours because even with this rule it leaves hours that need to be covered.
**Tickets:** As of this meeting the tickets have not yet been received by the Extension office, Melanie said that they may possibly be on line. Half price tickets are $5 and the wristband is $16 and covers all 4 days of the fair. Remember, even though there are horse events on Wednesday the fair has not yet officially started so entry is free that day only.

**Hardship:** Melanie reported on a hardship that she had received. The member is a first year junior whose horse passed away. The next horse that they found was too much for this novice to handle, they continued to search for a horse and finally found one on May 1st. Taking into consideration the rules and the fact that it is a first year novice it was determined that this rider will have full privileges. Pat Combest asked about a member that she would like to enter as a novice. The member is a third year member who was unable to attend fair last year because of illness. Pat said that this member is a definite novice and she would like to enter her as such. Pat was reminded that the leader has the last word on entering a rider as a novice because they are the ones who know what the rider is capable of doing. The rider will be a novice with full privileges.

**Gymkhana:** Remember the gymkhana events will be held on Sunday June 28th at the Salem Saddle Club. The rider safety check (to get the yarn for the saddle horn) will be done at a station to be located somewhere at the Saddle Club. Remember – all riders must have the safety check to be able to ride the events.

**Fair questions:**
The warmup will be as last year in the uncovered outdoor arena

Showmanship is again on Saturday.

All Ranch Horse Classes will be on Sunday with the **Skills test** being given **Wednesday** at 12:00pm – 2:00pm and again at 4:00pm – 6:00pm. REMEMBER: This is a required class for all Ranch Horse entries.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Bentz  
Committee Secretary  
5/21/15

Keizerettes & Kings annual 4-H horse show is June 27th at Roddy Ranch. If you need information contact Bonnie Beach at 503-393-6648.