

East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – Awards Banquet

Date: January 28, 2012

Location: Dixie Stampede, Pigeon Forge, TN

Present: 98 Members/Guests Present

Jon Hermes, 2010-2011 President, introduced the new officers who will serve for the 2012-2013 term. They are:

Deborah Richardson – President Cissy Mayo – Vice President (President Elect) Nancy Phillips – Treasurer Dianna Pearson - Secretary



East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – Officers Meeting

Date: February 9, 2012

Location: Cracker Barrel, Strawberry Plains, TN

Present: Deborah Richardson, Cissy Mayo, Nancy Phillips, Dianna Pearson

Meeting dates were discussed and March 5 was selected for the first Show Committee and first General Meeting. Nancy Phillips was able to secure a meeting room at the Morristown Hamblen Library at no charge. The Show Committee Meeting was set for 6 p.m. followed by the General Meeting at 7:30 p.m. The General Meeting was designated as a dessert meeting and everyone could bring their favorite dessert to share. Deborah said she would bring plates, cups, napkins, drinks, and utensils.

Other General Meetings were set tentatively for June 3 at Cherokee Park in Morristown, August during the Midsummer Classic Horse Show and on Chili (cookoff) Social on October 28 at Richardson Stables in Lenoir City.

ASHA is requesting Charter Clubs to once again do baskets and the officers decided to ask ETSA members for donations to include.

Deborah provided Cissy with a list to help her with the show committee and get things off to a smooth start.

The officers decided that the judge selection cards should be tallied prior to the Show Committee Meeting and Nancy Phillips and Dianna Pearson were asked to oversee that project. Nancy suggested having the accountant count them, but since the weighted system is used, it was decided that someone familiar with the process be part of the counting.

Items for inclusion in the February newsletter (membership mass mailing) were discussed and Dianna would prepare and mail that packet out.



East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – General Meeting

Date: March 5, 2012

Location: First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, TN

Present: Lisa Bible, Heath Hughes, Pete Hitch, Linda Hendricks, Terry Larkins, Cissy Mayo,

Kathryn Moore, Tammie Moore, Dianna Pearson, Nancy Phillips, Don Rhoton, Sharon

Rhoton, Deborah Richardson

Deborah Richardson called the meeting to order.

Dianna Pearson distributed copies of the minutes from the 11/22/11 meeting for approval.

Motion: Nancy Phillips Second: Lisa Bible

Nancy Phillips distributed copies of the treasurer's report

Motion: Deborah Richardson Second:

Deborah asked members to encourage membership in ETSA among their friends and acquaintances.

Deborah reminded everyone of the upcoming publication of the Membership Directory and that advertising space is available in the directory. The deadline for purchasing advertising and joining ETSA to be included in the directory is April 1.

Deborah asked for feedback on the recent banquet at Dixie Stampede and the general opinion was that everyone enjoyed Dixie Stampede, but was not happy that the award presentations had to be so rushed. Nancy Phillips mentioned the possibility of holding the next banquet on a river boat and said she would check on that possibility.

Deborah reported that the officers had met and set up a tentative general meeting schedule which was published in the last newsletter.

In 2011 ETSA discussed the purchase of a computer, however, after looking at what was available for the amount of money approved and the fact that computers become outdated so quickly, the decision was made to purchase two external portable hard drives, one for the treasurer to store ETSA financial data on and a second to be used by the horse show manager for storing horse show data. Those drives have been purchased and are being readied for their intended uses.

ETSA's Bylaws state that the president and treasurer are the only individuals who have the authority to issue checks on ETSA's behalf. Deborah Richardson is serving as president for 2012-2013 and therefore will be added to the signature on the ETSA checking account. Nancy Phillips was elected to serve as treasurer and will also be on the signature for the account. Deborah Richardson and Nancy Phillips are the only two individuals authorized by ETSA to sign checks and are the only individuals who will appear as signatures on the checking account. Any other persons who have had check signing privileges on the account shall be removed. As treasurer, Nancy Phillips is authorized by ETSA to receive the monthly bank statements. Bank statements are to be mailed to Nancy Phillips, 314 E. 2nd North Street, Morristown, TN 37814.

Deborah asked that any officers who have not submitted their timeline to the Policy Committee to please do so ASAP.

Deborah addressed affiliated shows and after a brief review, the decision was made to leave all shows currently on the list although some have had no member participation. A request to affiliate Germantown for 2013 was submitted and accepted. The deadline for 2012 affiliations was January 15.

Tammie Moore reported that the 2011 financials are with the accountant who is in the process of preparing the tax return.

A couple of years ago ETSA participated in ASHA's Basket Bonanza and even won an award for best state theme. Deborah asked if ETSA would like to participate for this year.

Motion: Lisa Bible Second: Tammie Moore

A committee was formed to designate a theme and work on contents for the basket. The committee is Tammie Moore, Pete Hitch, Deborah Richardson, and Nancy Phillips.

Motion: Tammie Moore Second: Deborah Richardson

Nancy Phillips presented the budget for approval.

Motion: Cissy Mayo Second: Don Rhoton

Deborah discussed the tentative general meeting schedule which was published in the newsletter. Meetings have been established for each quarter and additional meetings may be set up if necessary.

Under new business, a motion was made to suspend the standing rule regarding judge selection for Midsummer Classic to allow the hiring of a judge who is a Louisville judge for 2012. The show manager was authorized to contact this individual and if they were not available, then start at the top of the list.

Motion: Nancy Phillips Second: Pete Hitch

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Nancy Phillips Second: Cissy Mayo



East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – Show Committee Meeting

Date: March 5, 2012

Location: First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, TN

Present: Lisa Bible, Heath Hughes, Pete Hitch, Linda Hendricks, Terry Larkins, Cissy Mayo,

Kathryn Moore, Tammie Moore, Dianna Pearson, Nancy Phillips, Don Rhoton, Sharon

Rhoton, Deborah Richardson

Cissy Mayo called the meeting to order.

Dianna Pearson distributed copies of the minutes from the 11/22/11 meeting for approval.

Motion: Deborah Richardson Second: Nancy Phillips

Tammie Moore supplied lists of the classes from 2011 and also a list of the classes that were added in 2011. After review and much discussion, most of the added classes for 2011 will be kept for 2012 with the exception of ASB Novice Driver Country Pleasure Driving and ASB 3 Gaited Pony Championship. The decision was made the keep ASB 3 Year Old Five Gaited and to also add ASB Three Year Old Three Gaited and ASB Three Year Old Park Full Mane and Tail to give trainers another place to show their young horses.

Tammie reported that Vicki Gillenwater had requested the addition of an Open English Pleasure W/T and an Open English Pleasure W/T/C. The committee agreed to add Open English Pleasure W/T, but if the W/T/C classes is wanted it will have to be a paid add.

The Mini/Pony Go As You Please – 11 & under will be kept, but changed to Pet Pleasure Pony 52 inches and under-riders 11 & Under.

It was also brought to the committee's attention that for qualification for Louisville, only classes on each show's original published prize list will count toward qualification. Classes added after the publication of the prize list will not count as qualifying classes for Louisville.

The committee also discussed any other classes that might need to be added and Tammie suggested contacting regular supporters of the show for suggestions. Dianna Pearson volunteered to create a list of classes by division and supply that list to Tammie.

With the number of classes offered, it was decided that a Thursday daytime session will be needed, so that will be added. The list of classes will be reviewed to decide what classes to move to that session.

Awards were discussed and the committee decided to give neck ribbons and halters for first in Saturday evening classes and tri-color for remaining places.

Deborah Richardson nominated Tammie Moore as show manager and the nomination received a second and approval by the committee.

The list of judges compiled from member suggested was presented to the committee. The top three were Linda Freseth, Brian Reimer, and Steve Crabtree. Based on the success of 2011, the committee explored the idea of getting another Louisville judge. Nancy Phillips advised the committee that during the general meeting, a motion could be made to suspend the rules regarding the procedure so that a Louisville judge could be offered the judge's job. (Note: The motion was made during the General Meeting, received a second and approval. Please see General Meeting Minutes regarding that vote). Lisa Bible made a motion to wait to select the judge and Tammie Moore second.

The next Show Committee Meeting was set for Monday, March 26, 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Morristown, TN.

Deborah Richardson brought an e-mail she received concerning one of the Saddlebred publications doing a "Best In Show" for horse shows during the season. Shows had to sign up and the "Best In Show" will be selected by the judge. Nancy Phillips made a motion that Midsummer Classic participate and Lisa Bible second.

Tammie Moore had information from ASHA on a driving challenge for youth. She said she would send an e-mail out the show supporters to see if there was sufficient interest in the class.

Susan Hoskins send a request to Tammie for a Saddle & Bridle working class to be added. After discussion of what it would take to do the class and the amount of time that would be needed to hold the class, plus the number of interested exhibitors, it was decided that there was not sufficient interest in the class in relation to the time and work it would take to hold the class.

Southeastern Hackney Association is interested in holding a Jackpot Road Pony Class for members. The committee determined that the class could go into the Friday evening schedule.

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Lisa Bible Second: Pete Hitch



East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – Show Committee Meeting

Date: April 9, 2012 Location: First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, TN

Present: Lisa Bible, Becky Larkins, Terry Larkins, Cissy Mayo, Kathryn Moore, Tammie Moore, Dianna

Pearson, Nancy Phillips, Deborah Richardson

Cissy Mayo called the meeting to order.

Dianna Pearson distributed minutes from the March 5 meeting for approval.

Motion: Lisa Bible Second: Debbie Richardson

Deborah Richardson reported that she received positive feedback during the Pro Am Horse Show when handing out class sheets for the ETSA Spring Classic Horse Show. Reinbow Riders agreed to assist with breakfast.

Tammie Moore reported that Scott Matton had been hired to judge Midsummer Classic and that he also wanted to judge the academy classes.

Added classes for Midsummer Classic were discussed. Evening classes were already full sessions, so a motion was made that no classes will be added to evening sessions.

Motion: Nancy Phillips Second: Deborah Richardson

Fees for added classes were set at \$150 prior to the publication of the prize book, \$250 after the publication of the book, and \$500 after the closing dates for entries. Closing date for entries: July 20, 2012. Motion: Terry Larkins

Second: Lisa Bible

Copies of the list of classes for Midsummer were handed out to committee members.

Volunteer positions were discussed and various committee members said they would talk to people they knew about filling some of the positions.

Tammie Moore said she would talk to John Baldy to see if there are any options for additional stalls should the need arise.

Kathryn Moore was asked to check with Ridin' High to see if they might assist with picking up breakfast items and bring them to show grounds each day breakfast is offered.

Tammie said she would find a vet to be the vet on call.

Dianna Pearson reported that David Jones of Jones Hay Company agreed to offer hay delivery for exhibitors who wish to buy hay here instead of hauling it with them.

Deborah Richardson made a motion that if stalls fill by the closing date that requests be accepted by those who have supported the show the longest.

Motion: Deborah Richardson Second: Becky Larkins

Motion to adjourn: Lisa Bible Second: Nancy Phillips



East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – General Membership Meeting

Date: June 3, 2012 Location: Cherokee Park, Morristown, TN

Members Present: Lisa Bible, Dianna Pearson, Alissa Phillips, Nancy Phillips

Dianna Pearson called the meeting to order.

Dianna Pearson distributed minutes from the March 5 meeting for approval.

Motion: Nancy Phillips Second: Lisa Bible

Treasurer's Report – The wrong file was printed, so the current report was not available.

The ETSA Spring Classic Horse Show was discussed and Nancy reported that ETSA made over \$2,000. ETSA received positive feedback on the show and Dianna Pearson reported that she received several emails from exhibitors thanking ETSA for doing the show and stating they had a lot of fun. Several also wanted to know if ETSA will be doing the show again next year.

Members present discussed mailing prize lists for Midsummer Classic and agreed that the procedure followed last year should remain in effect. Prize lists were mailed to exhibitors who had shown the last two years and others were mailed post cards informing them the prize list was available online and also gave them contact information to request a copy from Tammie. Everyone agreed that we needed to check with Tammie to see if she got enough response from the post cards to justify the expense of printing and mailing them. (Note: After discussion with Tammie, it was decided that response last year did not justify mailing postcards).

The membership directory was discussed and it was reported that everything was about ready to go with the exception of one ad that the photo had not been submitted for.

The next general meeting was discussed and the decision was made that the meeting would be held on Wednesday, August 1 at 7:30 p.m. following the picnic.

Nancy was asked to check on the status of the Midsummer Classic prize book to see if we needed to get some people together to help with preparing the books for mailing.

Motion to adjourn: Lisa Bible Second: Nancy Phillips



East Tennessee Saddlebred Association Minutes – Show Committee Meeting

Date: July 16, 2012 Location: First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, TN

Present: Lisa Bible, Aimee Harrell, Becky Larkins, Terry Larkins, Cissy Mayo, Dianna Pearson, Don

Rhoton, Sharon Rhoton, Deborah Richardson

Cissy Mayo called the meeting to order.

Dianna Pearson distributed minutes from the April 9 meeting for approval.

Motion: Lisa Bible Second: Deborah Richardson

Copies of a horse show expense report were made available for review of expenses as of the meeting date.

The "to do" list and "done" list was discussed and the "volunteer positions" were reviewed. Additions to the volunteers included:

Robbie Harrell – Ring Master Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings Aimee Harrell and Claire Riddle – Ribbons Thursday morning

Beverly Brooks – Ribbons Friday Evening

Committee members came up with additional individuals to be contacted by Lisa Bible to see if they could fill some of the needed slots. They included Kim Dunn, Ann Ramey Boyd, Maggie Ward, Ashley Wilde, Emily Runyon, Kaitlyn Hughes, Claire Badgley, Hannah Badgley, and Dazi Brown. Dianna Pearson said she would contact Jeannie Smith to see if she would like to help out somewhere.

Cissy Mayo reported that Laura Green had taken care of getting the t-shirts ordered.

Desserts for the exhibitor's party will be Little Debbie cakes which Deborah Richardson said she would take care of securing.

Tammie's notes indicated that the Expo Center will take care of picking up pizza for the exhibitors' party and Kathryn Moore dropped in for a moment and reported that Ridin' High will assist with breakfast.

Ribbons, back numbers, sawdust for ring footing, and bunting have all been taken care of. Less sawdust is being ordered this year since footing has been a little too deep in past years.

The committee discussed the need for the ring master to have a stop watch so they can time the gate to make sure entries get in the ring in the allotted time and also time any time outs so they do not exceed the specified time. Purchase of the stop watch would be added to Tammie and Nancy's shopping list when they purchase drinks, etc. for the show.

Terry and Becky Larkins questioned class 7 – Junior/Limit Road Pony did not qualify for class 118 – Open Road Pony Championship and asked if it could be changed to be a qualifying class. Sharon Rhoton made a motion to make class 7 a qualifying class for class 118 and Deborah Richardson second the motion. (Note: Upon checking USEF rules after the meeting, the class was not originally made a qualifier because USEF rules state different orders of emphasis for judging the two classes, therefore making them judged

differently. This was the reason the class was not originally listed as a qualifying class for the open road pony championship). The notice making class 7 a qualifying class will be posted on the ETSA web site.

Lisa Bible reported a situation concerning the fans in the coveralls last year (specifically Barn C). The fans located in the warm up ring end of the coverall buildings (barns C and D) are located inside the building and are very loud and in Barn C drowned out the sound system for exhibitors stabled in that end of the barn. Fans were turned off last year in Barn C and then due to complaints from exhibitors located further inside the barn were turned back on. At one point the control box even had a lock placed on it with the fans turned on. The committee discussed the situation and a motion was made to turn the fans off during the show so that exhibitors can hear the sound system and not miss class calls, etc. Terry Larkins made a motion to turn the fans off beginning about 30 minutes prior to the start of each session. If the fans at that one end can be turned off separately, then only those fans would need to be turned off since the fans at the other end of the building are not loud. If they cannot be turned off separately, exhaust fans would need to be turned off.

Motion: Terry Larkins Second: Deborah Richardson

The definition of "qualifying" for a championship was discussed and the committee was in agreement that for a horse to "qualify" for a championship, the horse must stay in the ring until the class in lined up and judged. Once the class is judged, a horse may leave the ring and still be considered qualified. In the event a horse casts a shoe and no attempt is made to replace the shoe in the ring and the horse leaves the class, that horse is not qualified to show back in a championship.

The committee discussed getting the bunting put up for the show and decided that anyone who can help will meet at the Expo Center at 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 29 to get the bunting installed.

A General Membership meeting will be held during Midsummer Classic and that will be Wednesday, August 1, 7:30 p.m.

Deborah Richardson reported to the committee that the ETSA Spring Classic Horse Show went well; especially considering it was put together quickly and did not have a lot of publicity time. It was reported that ETSA made a little over \$2,000 on the show. Committee members asked if ETSA will do the show again next year and Deborah reported that we have the date at Tri-State if UPHA Chapter 8 does not come back in and take it. Discussion from members reflected they did not think Chapter 8 will come back.

Motion to adjourn: Becky Larkins Second: Lisa Bible