

Meeting Minutes Aug 20th, 2011

Sept/Oct 2011



The meeting was brought to order by President Joel Wood at 1:30 PM following a delicious potluck lunch. This month's meeting was held at Henry and Loretta Wulf's farm just south of Brainerd. Other members in attendance were: Sandra Strange, Valerie Temp, Jim and Lois Tesch, Muriel Besser, Lynda Frenchick, Jenny Johnson, Henry and Loretta Wulf, and Heather Larson. Special guests today were Dennis and Bev Jacobson, friends of the Wulf's...and *Jonathan, Joshua and Gracia, grandchildren of the Wulf's!*

It was moved by Muriel and supported by Valerie that we approve the minutes of the April 9th meeting. Motion passed.

Jim presented the Treasurer's report. The Class A Show came in with a much smaller margin of income over expenses than usual, and the Community Show lost money this year, so over-all we are about "even". Sandy moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, support by Lynda and motion passed.

Joel gave the Class A show report for Roz who was absent today. In response to questions from the floor, Joel said that our contract for the stalls that we were selling to the Sauk Centre fair board is over and as of this year we were paying full price for the stalls, just like other clubs would do, which is \$27 a stall. Lois mentioned that the dressage people are anxious for us to keep dressage in our show, even to the point of advising us to raise their fees in order to keep it going. Because of the extra cost for officials and the time constraints of their rules, the fees would actually have to double for us "break even".

Old Business: The Community Show was discussed. The date for next year's show will "likely" be June 3, 2012. It was suggested that participation in this show might be better if it weren't so close to so many high school graduation celebrations. The cost of ribbons, some jackpot cash awards and the judge were all higher this year. In the absence of Darcie more details will be considered at our next meeting.

New Business: The Class A Show at Sauk Centre was discussed. USEF has our dates carved in stone through 2015 unless we petition out of them. Our date for the 2012 show is May 19 and 20. Julie Fischer-Addante from Colorado will be our judge.

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Special points of interest:

- 11/05/11 - Meeting at Roz Gilbert's home near Sauk Centre
- 12/10/11 - Christmas Party

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Delegates to the National AHA Convention in Vancouver- The cost of the packets will not be picked up by Region 10 this year but is usually around \$200. Because the meeting is in Vancouver, airfare...and lodging too, is going to cost our delegates more. After discussion it was moved by Jenny and seconded by Jim that we give them \$700 each. Our delegates this year are Roz Gilbert and Debbie Hennington-Weisser.

Nominating Committee: Lynda Frenchick was appointed chairman of the nominating committee. JodyLynn Converse and Steve Elmhurst are the other members. Lynda was nominated from the floor today for the position of Secretary which Loretta is “declining” for the coming year. As further clarification on the election process, if there is no competition for any of the offices or board positions a white ballot can be cast and no balloting will be necessary.

The next Region 10 Meeting will be in Eau Claire on Nov. 6, 2011.

The next NMAHA meeting will be at Roz Gilbert’s home on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011

The Christmas Party will be at Muriel Besser’s Community Room at Center Crossings in Sauk Centre on December 10thBUT watch for a change of location in case Joel’s sleigh horses are ready for “public use”!

THE FALL TRAIL RIDE will be at Lake Mariah State Park near Annandale on Oct 8^h. There will be a 10 AM ride. Noon is bring your own sack lunch. There will be another ride at 1 PM followed by the evening meal around 4 PM. **A grill will be provided but you will need to bring your own meat and a dish to pass.**

Jim moved that we adjourn the meeting. Sandy supported the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Wulf,
NMAHA Secretary

Northern Lights Versatility Ranch Horse Association



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The Northern Lights Versatility Ranch Horse Association's mission:

- Promote, preserve and perpetuate the versatility ranch horse of any breed.
- Foster the preservation and enhancement of western culture and heritage by providing a program and place for showcasing the versatility ranch horse through education, schooling competitions, and cooperation with other breed associations, the ranching community, professional horsemen and versatility ranch horse riders.

The weekends will be focused on the American Ranch Horse (any breed is welcome) and will include skills a typical horse on the ranch would be expected to perform. Classes include Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, Ranch Cutting, and Working Ranch. A unique conformation class, which judges the horse on "form to function", is also part of the program. You will have the opportunity to earn regional year end awards.

The key to our program is to provide an education first and foremost, followed by a schooling competition in a stress free environment. Regardless of the skill level, the event's primary focus will be the education and enjoyment of the adventure. A social get-together on Saturday night is always part of the program where you can get to know your fellow versatility enthusiasts as well as talk further with the clinicians.

We keep our clinician to participant ratio low so you will get a lot of personal attention. Come join the fun, challenge yourself and your horse, and learn something new. Go to the national website at nvrha.org to read about the divisions (you only compete against those of like abilities) and the rules and regulations. Click on Clinics/Competitions on bar above to get the dates of future clinics in our area.

NMAHA Members:

Please make sure to check our club's website for updates/changes, newsletters, meeting info., etc.

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