

PRAHA Club Meeting of February 28, 2009

Members present:

Meranda Scott
Renate Cowan
Chloe Skinner
Gabriela Cowan

Calvin Ryan
Phyllis Ryan
Verdell Marchi
Cindy Tobeck

Sharon Youngs
Gary Skinner
Joe Marchi

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m. A wonderful, pot luck was enjoyed by all at the home of Gary and Chloe Skinner.

The treasurer's report was given. There were a few expenses that were paid. We do not have to file taxes because our gross receipts are less than \$25,000 a year. Overall we are in good health financially.

Old Business

Celebrate the Horse

We will be participating in Celebrate the Horse at the Puyallup fairgrounds this year. The dates are June 27th and 28th. We have six stalls and a tack room reserved. This is an opportunity for us to spread the word about the Arabian, Half Arabian and our club. Member, Kristi Hoover will be participating this year. She will exhibit her horse in Native Costume. Members, Joe & Verdell Marchi will be there with a mare and foal. We have a few other tentative exhibitors. If you would like to participate with your horse please let Renate or Meranda know.

Donations

Our donations to People Helping Horses, Second Chance Ranch, and Hoofed Animal Rescue of Thurston County were received and much appreciated by the recipients.

October Show

The show committee is hard at work and things are moving right along. There was discussion about hosting a meal for exhibitors only. A motion was made to re-evaluate the show meal in August once we have a better idea of how the economy is affecting other shows. Motion was second and it carried.

If you want to volunteer at the show please let Renate or Lanora know. We hope those that volunteered last year will join us again and that if you haven't volunteered before that you'll come join the fun!

Renate brought in a sample of a beautiful glass sun catcher that will be used as first prize for the classes. It can also be used as an ornament.

Pat Campbell has been confirmed as the show steward. A request has been sent out for a judge for the show. This is still in the works.

There will be participation ribbons for all participants in 10 and under classes.

A motion was made to accept the recommendations brought forward by the show committee be accepted. The motion was second and it carried.

A motion was made to look into the feasibility of having two judges at our 2010 show. The motion was seconded. There was discussion and the motion carried. Having a double judge show has many benefits for exhibitors and is likely to draw more attendance. There are also increased costs associated with a double judge show that will need to be evaluated. Several other shows are going to the double judge show for the first time this year. We will see how those shows do and how well received it is and take all of this into consideration for the 2010 show. If you have feedback or thoughts on this please let Meranda know and it will be shared for consideration.

New Business

A motion was made to place a half page ad in the Region V newsletter for our October show. Meranda will create a half page ad and inquire about the cost. These will be presented to the board of directors for final approval.

Reminders

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming events:

- **April 18, 2009 – Horse Clinic at Felicity Farm - CANCELLED**
- June 27-28, 2009 – Celebrate the Horse at Puyallup Fairgrounds
- August 15, 2009 – Trail Ride at Felicity Farm
- October 10-11, 2009 – PRAHA Show at Trails End Arena

Please mark your calendars for the next meeting:

- 04/25/09 at 2:00 p.m. General Club Meeting at the home of Renate & Irv Cowan

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Meranda Scott
Secretary