

Minutes of the CALEDON PONY CLUB MEETING February 24, 2012

Residence of Sherry Lyons–Shackelton

In attendance: Sherry Lyons, Diane Staples, Ellen Thomson, Macaulay Robinson, Tracy Synnott, Kelly O’Callaghan, Elizabeth Hearn, Kirsten Brunner, Leah McLean, Kerry Prevett, Dawn Kadish

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Diane Staples.

It was noted that the minutes from the meeting of January 3rd were circulated late that day, so it was decided to approve these minutes at the next meeting. Some minor corrections to the current version were noted.

This meeting focused on finalizing dates for practices and events.

Update on Regional Fundraiser

The Valentine Dance was the most successful ever, raising \$5,000 for the Western Ontario Region (WOR). This money is used to offer special clinics for Pony Club members. These clinics are announced through email. If you commit to attending one of these clinics you must go.

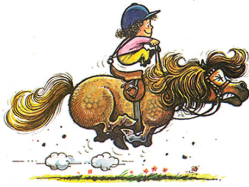
Financial Report:

Tracy Synnott reported that there is \$6,200 in the bank. There are still some outstanding amounts owing from members for the Valentine Dance and Memory Books. All discipline leaders were encouraged to collect entry fees and attach complete payments to the discipline reports. A template of the discipline report is available.

Membership Report:

Sherry provided an updated list of member contacts and asked that everyone review them and provide her with corrections. The next update of the list will happen after membership closes on March 1st.

More new members confirmed:



- Dawn Kadish with son Eric (11) and friend Taylor Debattista (15)
- David Deforest and Kirsten Brunner with daughter Kilby (7)
- Kerry Prevett with daughter Trinity (7)
- Andrea Costa with daughter Isabel (12)
- Karen Duval with Cassandra Rumussen (10)

Sherry also handed out a selection sheet of Caledon Pony Club attire available for purchasing and encouraged members to buy branded clothing for themselves and their riders.

Sr. Education – Testing – Tracey Robinson/Kerry Prevett (Testing) Macaulay Robinson is accredited to test riders to C level. She will be testing all E level members at Kirsten Brunner’s barn before April to ensure that members are eligible to participate in Quiz and Tetrathalon (first two Pony Club events). Please watch for email correspondence related to this important date. Members must bring their CPC passport provided in the new member kits (or on order via Sherry).

It was suggested that senior education study sessions be linked with PPG practices at the Robinson’s. More info to come on this.

The meeting continued with the objective of finalizing the calendar of events. Dates were discussed for practices and all events. These will be posted to the Caledon Pony Club event calendar to be circulated by Diane following the meeting. Dawn Kadish will be working on a website for the Club that will feature all event and practice dates.

Parents were reminded that all members must wear their medical armbands at all practices, lessons and events. Medical armbands are included in the new member kits (or on order via Sherry).

C-Rally

C Rally will be linked with the Dream Crest event this year. The Pony Club will ride as part of the event, so C Rally participants will need an OHTA membership, a bronze passport and a coggins.

Fundraising

An opportunity for the Caledon Pony Club to run the Caledon Horse Show on Saturday, June 9th was proposed. The objective would be to run a PPG demo in the morning and a hunter/jumper show in the afternoon. The



Club would keep all entry fees. The fair would provide the rings, the jumps, a trailer as an office, promotion for the horse show on all Caledon Fair material and the dog team for the horse/dog relay (as seen last year). The parents attending the meeting were concerned that there would be low entries for the show. It is only in its second year and last year entries average about six per class. There is also a Teen Ranch show the same day, and there is C and C1 Level testing for our senior members. It was agreed that our volunteer resources could not support an event where the return to the Club was unknown. It was suggested that Club could possibly support the PPG demo as a practice opportunity.

Other Business

CPC members are required to attend at least one Clean Up Day at the Caledon Riding Club in 2012, and to help with the meal on Fireworks night.

- Caledon Riding Club – Spring Clean Up Day – Saturday, May 5th
Fireworks Night – Sunday, May 20th (CPC hosts the meal)
Fall Clean Up – Saturday, October 20th

Some suggestions for clinicians that could help prep members for Regional events included:

- Heather Werry (as per Kirsten)
- Kim Muspratt (as per Kerry)
- Brian Acker
- Linda Hasmatali (as per Leah)
- Ellen Davorak

Next Meeting: Friday, April 13th, 7:00 p.m. at Kerry Prevett's house – 9118 27th Side Road, Orton.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.