

# **Chilliwack Riding Club**

## **AGM**

November 24<sup>th</sup>,2014

### **I. Call to order**

**Sharon** called to order the annual general meeting of the **Chilliwack Riding Club** at **7:15pm** on **November 24<sup>th</sup>,2014** in **Chilliwack Lions Hall**.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Kristen Younie, Kaitlin Tottenham, Penny Boldt, Sharon Peel, Vickie Dumesnil, Lou Dumesnil, Corinne Kriegl, Bernice Whiting, as well as 12 members.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Kristen Younie read the minutes from the 2013 AGM. The minutes were approved as read.

Directors introduced themselves to everyone and which committees they volunteered on for the year.

### **IV. Director Reports**

a) Financial Report: Attached

b) Horse shows:

- This year we started the show year with two schooling shows that were held at Bit Crazy Arena. From April to June we had to shows a month to host enough of the classes for the BC Heritage Finals. At the Chilliwack Fair we also hosted the show there and had a good turnout. Our last show of the year was in September which wrapped up the showing season for us.

Rider turnout for this show season was not as high as previous years; I am going to do more promoting for next year. If there are any classes that you wish to see please send me an email or give me a call; I would be happy to work the classes into the show lists for next year.

The support of all of our volunteers was greatly appreciated; if it were not for all of the help we would not be able to run the shows.

Thank you to all of those who helped at the shows. I am looking forward to being able to work with all of you again next show season.

Sarah McAninch

c) Gymkhana:

- We had nine gymkhanas this year. They were all point gymkhanas and you had to attend 5 to qualify for yearend awards. We made \$1700.00

Sharon Peel

d) Drill Team:

- The Drill team continues to practice every Tuesday evening during the year. Our practices were either at Heritage Park or Bit Crazy Arena. During the year we performed at local horseshows, including the Chilliwack Fair in August. In September the drill team rode in the Agassiz Fall Parade, and did a performance at the fair on Saturday. We placed third in the parade.

Sarah McAninch is doing a great job being our captain. Kristen Younie has volunteered to do some fundraising for new shirts when needed. Kristen also contacted the City of Chilliwack about re-instating horses into their parades. She was successful in doing so, and we will have riders in the Christmas parade this year, representing the Chilliwack Riding Club.

Corinne Kriegl is organizing a Drill team challenge. Date to be announced. She will also be arranging for the team to ride in various parades and performances throughout the valley.

Penny Boldt

e) Trails and Clinics:

- January 1<sup>st</sup> trail ride from Lickman road west along Vedder River. Approximately 30 riders had a great lunch after in the parking lot.
  - January 25<sup>th</sup> Trail ride from the end of Bergman road west. 35+ riders.
  - February 22<sup>nd</sup> show clinic at Bit Crazy arena with Patty Blackstock
  - March 22<sup>nd</sup> Trail ride at Bergman road. 13 riders
  - April 13<sup>th</sup> Mountain Trail at its best at Heritage park good turnout. Made quite a bit of money for the club.
  - May 3<sup>rd</sup> Clinic at Twisted Terrain Horse Park
  - May 24<sup>th</sup> Trail ride at TCT Chilliwack Lake. 10 riders.
  - June 15<sup>th</sup> Trail ride over Hinkley hill 16 riders. Had lunch at Francois and Nina Freyvogle's in Ryder Lake. Worked on clearing and opening trail on Hinkley hill.
- For 2015 planning on doing a regular monthly ride, and getting together with Hughes QH to do another Mountain Trail event. Plus a Drill Team challenge.

f) Open Ride:

- Poorly attended- We lost over \$700. But it provides a service to our members who want to use it. We have to promote it more.

g) Social:

- Between January to June we had over \$500 and after all expenses, we are left with around \$300

h) Youth Committee: There was no Youth Committee this year.

## V. Rule Changes

- a) There was only one rule change submitted by Sharon Peel. To change horse show members to have a total of four point shows attended to qualify for year end; instead of five. Voted and passed
- b) Bernice Whiting brought up the discussion of volunteer points from a directors meeting. Bernice suggested that other members would be able to volunteer for another member. Sharon said that the members that will be doing the volunteering sign up prior to the start of the horse show/gymkhana and make it clear that they are volunteering and for whom.  
It was proposed that a person can volunteer for any rider but they must declare at the time of volunteering who they are volunteering for and write it down on the volunteer sign in sheet or it will NOT be counted. Voted and passed.

## VI. New Business

- a) Directors with one year remaining:

- Corinne Kriegl, Vicki Dumensil, Lou Dumesnil. They all let their name stand.
- b) Directors with terms up:
- Sarah McAninch, Penny Boldt, Kaitlin Tottenham, Kristen Younie, Bernice Whiting and Denise Brandon. They will all let commit to another two year term; except for Kaitlin Tottenham who will only commit for one year. Denise Brandon is not committing to a directors term.
- c) New Directors
- Paul Gildemeister and Jerralyn Pickering. They have committed to a two year term.
- d) Sharon Introduced Alysha Harper, she is our rep for zone 3- Horse Council. Part of her job is to go around to find out what the clubs need, what the challenges are and if their programs can benefit our members. She passed out materials and brochures. HCBC elected a new president; Liz Saunders. Liz was the VP for competitions for last term. She is very engaged and Alysha believes she will do a great job. There has been some changes to the BC Heritage shows this coming year. It will be held in Maple Ridge again. You will not have to fill out a log book this coming year but you will still have to apply to be permitted. If you go to two qualifying shows- you can enter the BC Heritage show. Because there are no more log books, as far as Alysha knows it is by the honour system. The BC Heritage shows are supposed to bring us more exhibitors because they have to come to our shows to qualify.

Horse Council BC has brought in judges and certified them at Horse Council level. Sharon Peel suggested that BC Heritage offer better prizes and get more sponsors so that riders want to compete in the show.

New things in Horse Council: There are high school credits when it comes to riding. There are other awards and scholarships available through HCBC. There are two types of grants - Zone and Trail. The zone grant is up to 500\$ and it has to benefit the members in our zone as a whole such as clinics/clinicians. You apply on the website. Trail grant is for trail building such as working with the Back Country horsemen.

Corinne talked about going to the driving schools and insurance places and placing brochures on horse road safety. Alysha said to offer Western Dressage to club member shows as apparently that is becoming more popular.

High school students have to do a written test and a riding test to get their credits. They can challenge these tests if they wish. There are levels 1 - 6.

This information can be found on the HCBC website

Alysha asked us our club challenges - Sharon Peel said having two clubs in the same town, which non-profit approved apparently. We do not have proof that they were approved. We have never seen their non-profit organization number. We said our show numbers are down.

Alysha appreciates our time today. Corrine has her contact info. Feel free to reach out to Alysha if we need anything from HCBC.

- e) Previous directors were voted in by acclamation

- Penny Boldt, Kristen Younie, Kaitlin Tottenham, Bernice Whiting, Paul Gildemeister and Jerralyn Pickering were sworn in by Helen Larsen.

f) Honorary Memembers

- We have new honorary members to be voted on by the club at this AGM.
- Cyril Allchorne who was in the CRC and his wife was a director. 5/12 abstained from voting. He did not get voted in as an honorary member.
- Erin Cyrankiewicz- 7/12 voted so passed as an honorary member.
- Goldie Street- 10/12 voted so passed as an honorary member.

g) Chilliwack Riding Clubs 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary

- Sharon Peel would like volunteers to help with the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The expected date will be in June or July of 2015. Corinne is working on inviting old members, digging up old pictures and stories to present. We need to figure out where we are going to hold the event. Corinne suggested the event be open to the public and make it an open house, where we invite the politicians and the mayor. Sharon said she should host a meeting to discuss the details further. Paul Gildemeister said to contact the province about getting funding for the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary since we are non profit.

**Sharon** adjourned the meeting at **8:33pm**.

Minutes submitted by: Sarah McAninch