WMRC Meeting Minutes from May 16, 2022

Attendance: Dan, Jessie and Kaydren Savage, Shirly Smith, Emma Gooden, Bill and Debbie Joyce, Dave and Ramona Chessman, Cathy Dorr, Cyndy Hakanson

1. Meeting called to order by Cyndy at 7:05. Secretary and Treasurer were unable to attend.
2. April meeting minutes submitted by Summer were read by Cyndy. Ramona motioned to accept as read, Shirley seconded the motion and minutes were unanimously approved.
3. Treasurer’s report unavailable.
4. Horse Show Committee report by Cathy:
5. The idea of having some sort of gazebo in the ring for judge/ringmaster comfort and aesthetics was discussed, including partnering with Lancaster Fair to cover the cost. The HSC has been exploring costs and possibilities. It’s hoped to have a wood structure (moveable via skids to make it a multi-purpose unit) at some point in the future. A proposal made to the Lancaster Fair Association including a picture of a possible gazebo choice was passed around to members present.
6. Sponsorship solicitation has gone well, and signage is ordered and will be set up at each show. At this time, it appears that most of the show series expenses will be covered by sponsorships.
7. There was discussion about the need for show volunteers and club members to provide a welcoming, inviting and drama-free experience to show exhibitors, visitors and each other.
8. Cyndy met with Ed Samson who assured us that the restroom will be working and the ring will be dragged before the June 5 show.
9. Cathy is meeting with Bunny this week at the fairgrounds to see what is available for trail obstacles, etc.
10. Cathy is meeting with Larry Wahl at the fairgrounds on June 4 to get the sound system prepared.
11. We do not have a food vendor for the June 5 show, so we will have prepackaged snacks and drinks for sale for $1 each.
12. Cathy washed and dried one of the molded coolers – it washed and dried OK, so they will be fine for year-end.
13. The HSC plans to meet at the fairgrounds to see what needs to be done to prepare for the first show on June 5.
14. Website report by Cathy:

The new website is up and running well. Cathy presented numbers on website hits and show document downloads. The previous webhost, Vista Print, was officially cancelled.

1. Old business:
2. NH AG Charitable Trusts registration – Cyndy read an email response from Kathryn Fisher from the Charitable Trusts unit in regard to our registration status which reported that the office is behind in their work and they hope to get to it soon.
3. Missing Passumpsic Bank debit card – After Cyndy asked at Passumpsic in Littleton how much longer it would take for Tammi to receive the WMRC debit card, Passumpsic contacted Tammi. The bank stated that the card had been mailed to the previous treasurer by mistake, that they had received it back in the mail, and didn’t know what to do with it. Tammi then went to Littleton and picked it up in person.
4. Cathy and Danny reported that Heidi Pratt is fine with the club using her donated paintings for raffles, etc.
5. Cyndy reported that scanning of all available club documents is complete (2015-2021). Safe methods of cloud storage are being explored. Several thumb drives containing the documents have also been prepared.
6. There are currently two vacant seats on the board of directors.
7. Permits are needed from the town for raffles.
8. Lancaster Block Party – Hoping to do raffles, possibly have some WMRC merchandise, and some outreach to gain new memberships.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm after motion by Bill, second by Ramona and unanimous vote.

Next meeting: July 18, 2022

*Submitted by Cyndy (typed by) and Cathy (notes taken by)*