

April 17, 2023 – Member meeting

Emma called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

In attendance: Emma Gooden, Cathy Dorr, Trish Switser, Vicki Herzog, Peg Desautels, Dave & Ramona Chessman, Bill & Deb Joyce, Bonnie Hamel via Zoom

Treasurer Report: Ramona stated we had \$15 in dues and \$4.63 in interest income. Plus a \$[REDACTED] in sponsor money. Total \$[REDACTED] in income. For expenses \$1.93 in bank fees and \$20.85 to file the 990 N tax postcard. Which we will have to file every other year due to the club being below the income threshold.

Account totals: Passumpsic Checking \$ [REDACTED]	Service Credit Union Savings \$ [REDACTED]
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Overall total \$ [REDACTED]	

Vicki Motioned to accept and Deb 2nd. All in Favor

Emma asked if everyone saw the minutes from the March meeting. Vicki brought up that the published meeting minutes should have the account totals taken out. Cathy didn't realize as the previous years have the account totals published. Cathy will go back and fix what she can. Trish Motioned to accept March minutes, Ramona 2nd. All in Favor

Horse show Report: Cathy stated that the forms are on the website. The booklet was passed around to the members at the meeting to approve printing. These will be mailed only to those who request them and also placed at feed/ tack stores. Cathy checked with Adrian, Mackennas mom and she does want to continue with the memorial classes. I let her know that we ordered those ribbons and she was going to get prizes and be at the fair. Larry Wahl is coming June 16th to set up sound. That will be \$300 total for the 2 shows. Show account was closed and funds transferred to general checking. All 3 judges confirmed and signed contracts are back. We need 2 rooms, Cathy to see if we can get a room sponsor again this year. As of the meeting, total for sponsor cash is \$950 All sponsors are in the show booklet as well as on Facebook and the website. Rulebook update for documented disabilities will read: Documented disabilities will not be penalized for reasonable accommodations requested to perform in any class. Documented disabilities may receive accommodations in the form of modified testing if needed. Show management will need to be notified no later than the start of the show. In addition to our rulebook a printed copy of the New England 4-H Horse Show Rules and Guidelines will be added to the horse show booth for reference if needed. All horses entering the fairgrounds will have to follow the guidelines put into place by the NH Dept of Agriculture, which will be enforced by the club. Trish has a food vendor for the June show, unsure about the July show at this point.

Charitable Trust Unit- Emma has been in contact with them, the club indeed needs to be registered. She invited those who wanted to a webinar on Tuesday April 18th. www.doj.nh.gov/charitabletrusts for more information. The application that Cyndy had put in is expired so Dave felt it was best for the changes that need to be done to the bylaws plus the conflict-of-interest policy should be done before resubmitting the application. This would need to be mailed out and changes voted on. Trish felt a small group should be able to address the issues with the bylaws and maybe just do the bare minimum to get into compliance then continue with setting up the bylaws to be more effective since everything is

intertwined from section to section. Bonnie had posted on the zoom screen the State of NH trust documents that may be useful to addressing this issue.

Tack Sale: The show committee brought up a tack sale and Facebook had some feedback but not overwhelming. The members talked about having it at the June show in a designated area. Volunteer to watch over tables if someone is also showing. Price per table or per vendor? Some details needed to be finalized with the show committee, but we felt it should be a go ahead.

Block Party: Club voted no on the block party. Cathy motioned not to attend this year and Dave 2nd. But it would be great to have someone compile a list of horse services in our area and surroundings. Lessons, boarding, trail riding groups etc.

Bonnie stated that they have a group, North Country Versatile Horse Group, that is doing a demonstration after our Friday fair show. That group will be looking for some volunteers and ideas on the Trail Obstacles. Must be natural on the trail type stuff. She is also going to stay in touch with Cathy regarding any trail rides that she hears of.

Meeting frequency. Trish made a motion to have the member meetings on even months until October for elections and business things. Vicki 2nd. With more thought, Dave felt a probation period would be best to see how it went. Trish Motioned for Probation and Peg 2nd.

Ballots: Cathy sent out 40 ballots to vote to fill 2 vacant seats. 15 ballots were returned. Results were Vice President: 15 votes Vicki Herzog & Webmaster: 14 votes Cathy Dorr, Robin Gregg 1 write in vote

Ramona Motioned to adjourn the meeting and Vicki 2nd. 8:23 pm

Next meeting June 12th @7 pm due to Library being closed on June 19th for Juneteenth.

Minutes recorded by Cathy Dorr