



**COWBOY STATES REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING  
3/12/2016 7:00 PM**

**Roll Call**

| <u>Present:</u>   | <u>Excused:</u> | <u>Absent:</u> | <u>Guest:</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Gordon Hinders    |                 |                |               |
| George Pfeiffer   |                 |                |               |
| Nancy Pfeiffer    | x               |                |               |
| Peggy Peterson    |                 |                |               |
| Brenda Leonhardt  |                 |                |               |
| Nanette Till      |                 |                |               |
| Christin Brubaker |                 |                |               |
| Mark Nicholson    |                 |                |               |
| Collie Vinger     |                 |                |               |
| *Debbie Russell   |                 |                |               |
| Ryane Clark       |                 |                |               |

\*Debbie Russell will be able to fulfill her duties as a CSRHA Board of Director per this meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Gordon Hinders called the meeting to order at 5:12 PM. Gordon Hinders thanked everyone for their donations and silent auction items. He then opened the floor to review the Treasurer's Report and Meeting Minutes.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Minutes from the February 10, 2016 teleconference meeting were reviewed with no corrections. Ryane Clark made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as published. Nanette Till seconded. Meeting Minutes were approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Treasurer's Report was presented by George Pfeiffer due to treasurer, Nancy Pfeiffer being absent. George added that although the CSRHA's Energy City Classic & Derby was fun in 2015, it did not generate a lot of money for the club, resulting in us having to scale back for 2016.

- Everyone in attendance was encouraged to bid on the wonderful silent auction items as this is one of the CSRHA's fundraisers.
- BOD Nanette Till informed us all that the trophy saddle will be a year-end award to either the Green Reiner L2 or the Rookie L2. Points cannot be combined. The saddle was completely funded by sponsors; funds were not taken from the CSRHA. Nanette was not able to bring the saddle to the Awards Banquet as Equine Oasis is behind on production.

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| Show Account balance 2/10/2016:    | \$1,092.14 |
| General Account balance 2/10/2016: | \$1,867.82 |

There was no further discussion on the Treasurer's report. Ryane Clark made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as published. Nanette Till seconded. Treasurer's report stands approved.

## **BUSINESS & UPDATES:**

Gordon continued the general membership meeting by opening the floor to the upcoming events coordinators, Ryane Clark and Nanette Till.

- Bub Poplin Clinic – April 16-17, 2016
  - Ryane Clark: [cwphcinfo@gmail.com](mailto:cwphcinfo@gmail.com) or 307/259-3957
  - Weston County Fairgrounds in **Newcastle, Wyoming**
  - Morning (8-noon) – new reiners, limited to 4 riders
  - Afternoon (1-5) – more advanced reiners, limited to 4 riders
  - Saturday evening: judge's session
  - Stalling and lunch provided
  - Ryane explained how she would like to see more NRHA Professionals come to the state of Wyoming to help those who would like. Ryane had to move the location to Newcastle so that she could provide good ground conditions. The Weston County Fairgrounds have a Kiser drag with an edging profiler. Ryane will be visiting the facility on April 2 to thoroughly check out the facility. If this event does not fill by the end of March, she will consider adding riders to the morning and afternoon sessions for a lower cost. She is determined to make this clinic work and has plans of bringing some of the well-known NRHA trainers to Wyoming, with the possibility of Casey Deary in 2017.
- Renee Pipinich – April 29-May 1, 2016
  - Nanette Till: [nbtil@tctwest.net](mailto:nbtil@tctwest.net) or 307/899-9090
  - Flying T Ranch outside of **Cody, Wyoming**
  - Morning (8-noon) – new reiners, limited to 4 riders
  - Afternoon (1-5) – more advanced reiners, limited to 4 riders
  - Friday evening: presentation to the judge & maneuvers
  - Renee has been a NRHA judge for 25 years and is planning to help those who attend. Renee will also go through ranch riding and ranch horse versatility maneuvers, young horses, and body work as well.
- All the information on these two events will be on the CSRHA facebook page and the CSRHA website as well.

Gordon encouraged everyone to sign up for the various committees and be sure to renew their memberships for the 2016 show season. Peggy Peterson then presented the Committee Sign-Up sheets for everyone to review and consider volunteering.

- Committees
  - There are eleven established committees at this time. If you are interested in helping with any of these committees, please contact one of the CSRHA members. Without our membership's assistance, the old adage of *"10% of the people do 90% of the work"* comes true. We really need our membership to get involved! The committee chairs would be more than happy to have help with any of them. Suggestions are always welcomed as well.
  - The 2016 committees are as follows:

| Committee               | Chairpersons   |
|-------------------------|--|
| By-Laws/Amendments      | George Pfeiffer, Gordon Hinders, Nanette Till                  |
| Fundraising/Sponsorship | Nancy Pfeiffer, Nanette Till, Peggy Peterson, Brenda Leonhardt |
| Website                 | Kathy Nicholson  |
| Shows/Events            | Gordon Hinders, George Pfeiffer, Nanette Till                  |
| Show Rules              | Gordon Hinders, George Pfeiffer, Nanette Till                  |
| Points/Membership       | Brenda Leonhardt, George Pfeiffer                              |
| Banquet/Year End Awards | Nancy Pfeiffer   |
| Nominations/Elections   | Peggy Peterson   |
| Newsletters             | Peggy Peterson   |

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| Historian    | Peggy Peterson                   |
| Ad Hoc/Youth | Gordon Hinders, Brenda Leonhardt |

- Membership Directory
  - Kathy Nicholson informed us all about Nancy Pfeiffer's idea of having a Membership Directory similar to the Central Plains Reining Horse Association. Kathy and Nancy have priced the directory to be printed in full color for 2016; there will be plenty of copies available for the sponsors/advertisers as well. The more copies printed, the lower the cost of publishing. This will add to CSRHA's marketing efforts and will be at all of the CSRHA events. Advertising packages are available with the deadline for your ad being May 1, 2016.
- Fundraising
  - Gordon Hinders challenged each member to get at least one sponsor for the CSRHA's events and reminded us that our local businesses will be more likely to sponsor for individuals in their respective areas. If each member could work for just \$50-100 at a time, the CSRHA would be in a much better position, financially. Gordon reminded us all that this is OUR club where we can have a place to school and show our horses. The CSRHA depends on ALL of us to make it run.
  - George Pfeiffer informed us of the raffle tickets that will be sold as a CSRHA fund raising challenge. BOD Christin Brubaker and her family are generously donating one side of a beef for the lucky winner. This is a great opportunity to fill your freezer with ½ of a Black Angus beef, born and raised on the Brubaker Ranch outside of Kaycee, Wyoming where he was grain and alfalfa fed with NO hormones. Nancy Pfeiffer had 300 tickets printed, in books of 10. Your CSRHA officers, BODs, and members will be selling these tickets at 1 for \$20 or 3 for \$50, with the drawing to be held on June 3 at the Hurry, Wait, and Whine show in Rapid City, South Dakota. You need not be present to win! The CSRHA will pay for standard processing to be done in Buffalo, Wyoming. If you have any special requests for your processing, you will have to pay extra for that. For those of you selling tickets please be sure to get the stubs and money back to Nancy Pfeiffer for this drawing.
  - Sponsorship packages were made available to everyone. Gordon explained that we are working towards a larger base with more local shows in Wyoming. Even if folks do not have a reining horse, they are encouraged to come participate and support at our local shows. With more CSRHA classes, there are many more affordable ways in which to get involved and join the CSRHA.

- Shows & Events

The affiliate qualifying shows for 2016 will be as follows:

| Date           | Show                                 | Location                 |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| June 2-3, 2016 | Hurry, Wait, Whine Slide with CONQHA | Rapid City, South Dakota |
| July 2, 2016   | Rimview Spectacular with CMRHA       | Billings, Montana        |
| August 6, 2016 | Hot Springs Slide                    | TBD                      |

- The **June 2-3, 2016** NRHA show will be in conjunction with the CONQHA's *Hurry, Wait, and Whine show* in **Rapid City, South Dakota**. The CONQHA invited the CSRHA to join them and will be paying all expenses for this show. George Pfeiffer explained that participants will have the opportunity to enter in AQHA classes, NRHA classes, and/or CSRHA classes. Any one or a combination of these classes will offer a wonderful way to school or show your horses as there will be a full slate of both AQHA and NRHA classes at this event.
- The **July 2, 2016** NRHA show will be in conjunction with the CMRHA's *Rimview Spectacular* in **Billings, Montana**. This one-day show will fulfill one of the NRHA's requirements for affiliates to have a minimum of three NRHA shows in a year.
- The **August 6, 2016** NRHA *Hot Springs Slide* that was scheduled to be in the Hot Springs County Fairgrounds arena in **Thermopolis, Wyoming** has run into some problems. Fairgrounds manager, Martin

Bader informed Peggy Peterson that their county fair has scheduled a pig wrestling event on August 4 with the 4H livestock sale on August 5, meaning there will be ground condition concerns in the arena and stalls will not be available until Saturday, August 6. As a result of this change in events, the CSRHA show committee is working diligently at this writing to ensure we have a venue for this event. Please stay tuned to the CSRHA's facebook page and website for updates as we are considering a number of options at this time.

- The **September 10, 2016** CSRHA fun day will be held at Northwest College's Equine Center Arena in **Powell, Wyoming**. Please note that this event will not be a NRHA show, but keep in mind that points earned at this show *will count* for CSRHA year-end awards, to include that saddle!
- Awards
  - 2016 year-end awards will be for the CSRHA club classes only due to limited funds this year. You are encouraged to participate in as many CSRHA shows as possible in order to earn your points for these awards. To remind everyone, the CSRHA club classes that will be used for year-end awards include:
    - ❖ Green Horse (\$200 limit on horse earnings)
    - ❖ Green Reiner (\$100 limit on rider and have to be a non pro)
    - ❖ Rookie Level 2 (\$1500 limit on rider)
    - ❖ Non Pro
    - ❖ Limited Non Pro
    - ❖ Prime Time Non Pro
    - ❖ Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1 (\$5000 limit on horse)
    - ❖ Novice Horse Open Level 1 (\$5000 limit on horse)
    - ❖ Open
    - ❖ Limited Open
    - ❖ Youth 13 & Under
    - ❖ Youth 14-18
    - ❖ Short Stirrup
- Miscellaneous
  - With concerns about the show in August, CSRHA member, Russ Vinger, informed us all that the newspaper in Billings, Montana is searching for equestrian events to be held at the fairgrounds and is something the CSRHA could consider.
  - BOD Mark Nicholson asked about affiliating with the shows in Livingston or Billings, Montana. Gordon explained that as a Wyoming-based affiliate, he would like to work towards hosting all our shows in state. He will not close the door on those possibilities though.
  - George Pfeiffer will be looking into the arenas in the Sheridan/Buffalo area while Ryane Clark will be researching the arenas in the Casper/Douglas areas. Marilyn Wegweiser also suggested LCCC's arena in Cheyenne, Wyoming and informed us this is a very impressive facility with good ground.
  - Collie Vinger asked the CSRHA to consider adding ranch riding classes to our show bills. This is certainly another way to open our doors to those who want to school and/or compete on their horses, reiners or not. Gordon agreed and informed us that ranch riding and cowboy dressage classes are being offered at a number of fun day shows. The bottom line is that the CSRHA would like to encourage everyone to ride with us, whether you have a reining horse or not.

Next meeting: TBD

There was no additional business to discuss. Nanette Till made a motion to adjourn the meeting. George Pfeiffer seconded.

**ADJOURN:**

The CSRHA general membership meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.