**SKMHTA CLUB MEETING MEETING MINUTES (pending approval)**

**Date: 5/12/2025 Location: Horseriders’ Campground, Palmyra WI**

CALL TO ORDER TIME: 6:14pm

Attendees (13): Amy J, Mike L, Barb L, Devan L, Jill F, Gill B, Gale S, Duane D, Anita O, Trudie M, Margaret M, Gail R, Amy M

**WELCOME, INTRO, NEW MEMBERS, RECOGNITION**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (AMY J)**

*Correction! 437 has one 24x24, 436 has two 12x12s AND a highline*

MOVE TO ACCEPT (with correction): Barb L SECONDED: Amy M

**TREASURER’S REPORT (AMY M)**

Total funds: $17,676.62

Activity since last month included MWHF expenses ($292.50 reserving next year’s booth) & income (8 new members, $1140 in trail passes, $130 in trail hankies, $255 in clothing), More expenses: $338 corral hardware, $77 club banner, $602.22 mounting blocks, manure forks, wheelbarrow flat free tires. No bill from Pat’s yet for Porta Potty cleaning services.

MOVE TO ACCEPT: Devan L SECONDED: Trudie M

**TRAIL REPORT (DUANE D)**

**Campground Clean Up Day** was Sunday, April 27th, thanks to all attendees! We had a really good turnout, Duane, Debbie and Jill tackled downed trees on the green/orange trails while others did campground cleanup, picking up branches and garbage, trimming back brush as needed.

**Trail Clearing** has been a great joint effort between Duane D and the DNR. Together, they cleared the main trails north and south of camp. Duane cleared the trail to Rushing Waters. The white trail is significantly improved and passable. Duane will continue to monitor the trails and clear as necessary, and the DNR has been outstanding in their support and work on clearing them as well.

**FUNDRAISER REPORT (BARB L)**

**Pack The Park -** weekend of June 14-15th

This is a no fee, fun event, though donations to the club are appreciated! Main activities will take place on Saturday, Sunday morning we will have a club meeting at 8:30am in the pavilion (with coffee/rolls/donuts) so people have time to ride before 1pm checkout. Fall Fundraiser Shirt designs will be displayed and voted on.

Saturday Schedule (subject to change):

11am - Poker Ride begins, card stations on trails nearer to camp to allow for short and longer rides

2pm - Knot Tying Clinic with Cowboy Steve - learn useful and safe tying methods

3:30pm - HORSE (BINGO style game for fun prizes)

6pm - DINNER! - cash burger bar (with sides provided by club)

**Fall Fundraiser**

* **Always Find Time to Ride - submit your tshirt design,** winner will receive a free sweatshirt with their design! Requirements: one color ink, 300+ dpi (600dpi preferred), will be printed at minimum 12x12”, Deadline pushed out to get more submissions, will display/vote at Pack the Park
* **Tshirt colors** - Hot Pink with Black ink AND Black with White ink, chosen at ticket purchase. Will also do preorders of long sleeve/hoodies and a black zip up hoodie with the club logo only (large logo on back)
* **Big Ticket Raffle Items -** if we can get 4+ large raffle prizes QUICKLY, we can get raffle tickets printed and pre-sold all summer. Winner will be drawn at the event and does not need to be present to win.
  + Raffle items donated so far: 5 nights camping at Timber Ridge in Jamestown, TN, 5 nights camping at Geitner Homestead in Sturgeon Bay, WI, two half pigs & processing, 2500 watt inverter generator

**OLD BUSINESS**

* **Obstacle Course** – signs have been measured, Amy J mocking up for DNR approval (in progress)
* **Additional Electrical Campsites** – pending quote from electrician (Amy J), need #’s of who camped electric vs non-electric last year
* **Bob Michaels Memorial Fund** - Application Deadline: May 1st to begin in 2026. Use funds this year to cater meal at Best of America by Horseback event, 80 people, Texas Roadhouse is donating the meal, we still have this $1000 available. Purchasing dessert for the event.
* **Corral Expansion** - Corrals installs ARE COMPLETE! Footings to be installed by the DNR
* **2025 Meeting/Activity Plan** - we will begin alternating business meetings with fun or educational activities this year! Ideas include: tack cleaning, knot tying, equine speakers/demos, horse cookie decorating, etc. If you have an idea or want to coordinate an activity, please let us know!
* **Trail Passes** - The SKMHTA is now a Wi Trail Pass vendor, with 10% of each sale going back to our club! Get your daily or annual trail passes at SKMHTA events (meetings, booth at horse fair, etc).
* **Best of America by Horseback** - the SKMHTA will be allowed to have a booth to sell trail hankies, clothing, trail passes, and promote the club on Saturday. We will be hosting the Friday night dinner and need volunteers to setup/serve/clean. Will get a cake for dessert (Sentry in Delafield).

**NEW BUSINESS**

* **Trailer for Storage/Supplies -** pricing for a 20ft container delivered and setup at camp to store club supplies is $1900, DNR has approved placement near camp host site/shed.

MOTION TO PURCHASE 20FT STORAGE CONTAINER: Jill F SECONDED: Trudie M VOTE: passed

* **Table Purchase for club (instead of renting):** Start with 12 tables, buy more as needed

MOTION TO PURCHASE12 TABLES: Devan L SECONDED: Amy J VOTE: passed

* **Round Pen:** the DNR suggested we add a 40ft round pen to the sandy area near the pavilion where people like to let their horses roll, as a place to lunge, etc. Discussion about if people will leave their horses in it unattended, lunging is as effective as a round pen, tape corral options, etc. Idea tabled for now.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**NEXT MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES:**

**Best of America by Horseback** will be at Horseriders’ Campground! May 29 - June 1st 2025

**June:** Pack the Park June 14-15th, Horseriders’ Campground, club meeting Sunday 8:30am in pavilion

**July:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2025 SKMHTA Fall Fundraiser:** Sat Sept 20th, 2025 - Horseriders' Campground, Palmyra WI

MOVE TO ADJOURN: Devan L SECONDED: Trudie M

TIME: 7:50pm