

Central VA Combined Training Association
April Board Meeting
April 10, 2008, Goochland Library

Board members present: Molly Armentrout, Laurie Dowling-McIntire, Hollyn Mangione, Gina Sybert, Megan Proffitt, Wendy Schmitt and Pat Albertson

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Megan gave us a treasure's report; the club now has approximately \$1700. A portion of this balance will be needed to pay for expenses related to the Mock Trial in May.

The board discussed future riding activities, and Gigi Carrillo was appointed Trail Committee chair. Gina Sybert is also working on a Penmerryl Farm weekend.

Future Meeting Programs were agreed on as follows:

June: Dawn Cooper, club member, will speak on Purity of Gates. The board approved having this meeting at Wendy Schmitt's barn as she volunteered the use of her horse for the presentation.

July: We will try to arrange to get Dan Slovis, DVM to discuss Equine Lameness. The location will be the Rockville Library

August: We will not have a regular meeting but will have a Pot Luck & Tack Swap. The board approved securing the Deep Run Hunt Club if possible or Gina's house if that didn't work out. The potluck will be open to spouses and significant others.

Molly Armentrout announced that net income from the Combined Test was approximately \$400.00. Molly will be unable to serve as organizer for any fall activities but will be happy to work on a committee. We will now solicit for committee members for a horse show committee. The club has been offered an opportunity to hold an event at Tuckahoe Plantation this fall.

Membership: Molly Armentrout announced that the club now has 51 members.

By Laws Committee: A committee consisting of Molly Armentrout, Taska Parker and Mary Millhiser was presented to the board and accepted. They will draft a preliminary set of bylaws which will be reviewed by the Board before being presented to the Membership for a formal discussion and vote.

Club communications: Items for inclusion in the club's newsletter should be sent to Dowling-McIntire by the 25th of the month for inclusion in either the Newsletter or News Flash which will be distributed around the 1st of the month. Other matters should be sent to Hollyn for distribution in her club-wide emails. She will try to keep those to a limited number.

Next Meeting: The next Board Meeting will be held at the Rockville Library on Thursday, April 24th at 7:00pm. As always, members are welcome to come and listen.

The general meeting was called to order at approximately 7:35 p.m.

It was announced that the next General Meeting would be at the Goochland Library at 7:00 with Eric Bull speaking about Building Portable Cross Country Jumps.

It was announced that Gigi Carrillo has been appointed head of a Trail Committee and that members are encouraged to work with her to schedule future club events. Gina Sybert is working on a summer camp type weekend at Penmerryl Farm in Greenville, VA and will post details on the web once she has firm plans.

Awards Program: Members were encouraged to turn their volunteer hours forms and points forms for the club Awards Program in to Pat Martin. Current point standings and volunteer hours will be posted on the club web site.

Treasurer's Report: Megan Proffitt presented a report which showed the club's bank balance to be \$1977.22.

Mock Horse Trial: Gina announced the new May 10th date for the Mock Horse Trial and asked for volunteers as well as entries.

Board Discussions Summarized: The Board discussions about newsletter deadlines, clearing emails through the president, and the formation of a By Laws Committee were presented to the membership.

Club member Nancy Covert then spoke to the group on Conditioning the Event Horse with a goal of creating a sound, healthy, happy horse. We had approximately 27 people present for the talk, and there was lots of healthy discourse on the subject.