

Horse Leader's Monthly Meeting – December 1, 2011

X	A Canterin' Commotion	X	High Bounty Posse		Shooting Stars
X	A Step Ahead		Hoof Prints	X	Showcase Riders
	Bands, Braids & Barrels	X	Horsin' Around	X	Stablemates
X	Blue Ribbon Riders	X	Leather N Lace	X	Stars, Stripes & Snips
X	Boots N Britches		The Mane Event	X	Steel Horses
X	Carousel	X	Nickers N Neighs	X	Team Meadowview
X	Country Cowboys	X	Perfect Partners		Train N Rein
	Dream Riders	X	Rainbow Riders		Wind Riders
	Friends & Neighbors		Ridge Riders		
	Galloping Riders	X	Rockin' Horse		
X	Hidden Creek		Saddle Up Country	X	Horse Superintendent
Key: X = Attended Blank = Absent				X	MSU Educator

Please remember to sign in on the attendance sheet!

Call to Order w/ Pledges: by President, Stacie Berends-Bode @ 7:30pm

Secretary's Report: Barb Roth

November, 2011 Horse Leaders Meeting Minutes – emailed out to leaders on 11/30

Motion to Accept: _____ MSC

Treasurer's Report: Deb Zbikowski

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Date	Description	Withdrawal	Deposti	Balance
11/3/11	Beginning Balance on Checking			\$17,910.35
11/15/11	michigan message center	-\$10.95		\$17,899.40
12/1/11	Ending Balance on Checking			\$17,899.40
12/1/11	Account Balance on Savings			\$20,018.36

Extension Office: Glenda Kilpatrick

- Club Enrollments are due December 15
- Horse Judging Workshop – Feb 3-4 MSU Pavillion
- 2012 Benefit Clinic – Feb 4 - MSUPavillion
- Great Lakes Equine Classic – Feb 10-12 Birch Run
- Need Educational Seminar in February

Fair Board: Dave Pachulski

- Ron
- Need to call to reserve the facility for shows – etc.
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Old Business:

- Committee Sign-Up Sheet going around
- Youth Committee – Marty Barkow
 - Next meeting: Thursday, December 29; 7:30 @ MSUE

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- XTreme Cowboy Race
 - FB gave us permission
 - Shelley Lilly will Co-Chair
 - Need volunteers and several on the committee
 - Comments:
 - it's a lot of work for horse leaders to not get any money from it
 - why don't we split w/ fair
 - why don't other areas help
 - we need to go back to the kids and ask them for help
 - what about help from the FB – don't plan on it
 - do we still donate KFNO money to FB - \$50 if under 1000, \$100 if over \$1000
 - split the profits w/ groups that participate
 - it is what it is – we agreed to give them the money – we know not to expect volunteers – what if it's a paid position
 - Candice – propose that all this goes to the committee and come back in January
 - Maybe go to the area meetings and explain them
 - What is the bottom line for helpers/workers – time/#
 - It's not just our fair – it is the fair for all areas
 - If we open up the can of worms to take a cut of the profit – we may allow them to ask for a cut of all the other money we raise – banners, sponsorships...
 - How can we better communicate to the other areas to get help
 - Do we need help from the other areas – do we need the FB input
 - How do we make it a fair wide event – not just a horse event
 - Use parent and kids – doesn't have to be our leaders
 - Parents/kids can be on committee
 - Most likely the other areas didn't know about it
 - Put in the express
 - We are short on committee – not necessarily workers
 - The horse leaders is very unique at our fair – and other fairs/horse programs having the opportunity to run our own program –
 - Need the bodies for promotion
- Still waiting on Committee Reports for some committees

New Business:

- Attendance – minimum attendance 3 - September-February, 3 – March-August
- Horsemaster Program – Robin Kline
 - The vision was for kids that great to be riding at that level
 - Doing revisions – what about kids that don't like to write – can they do projects like educational videos or games instead
 - Let kids know that it's being worked on
 - Goal is not easier – but clear/concise/correct
 - Contact Terri – tarsnighthawk1@att.net to find out what might be dropped if you have kids interested in going through Horsemaster – put horsemaster in the subject
 - Looking to have new program online by March
- Dressage Tests – Linda Cooper/Kathy Covert
 - Updating the dressage program to the current USDF program
 - Will be on the web in the next couple weeks
 - NWT has 2 tests – the will rotate every other year
- Budget meeting for EC coming up – if you didn't get your committee budget in – please do so ASAP
- New Leader Meeting – go over Horsemaster program

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- Rating List
 - You may only rate your own club to the level and riding style that you are willing and signed up to rate other clubs.

Motion to Adjourn by: Dave Pachulski @ 8:50pm MSC

Upcoming Events: (4-H Year is September 1-August 31)

- Leader Meetings – 7:30pm @ MSUE Office – 1/4, 2/2, 3/1, 4/5, 5/3, 6/7, 7/5
- 2012 Fair Dates: August 6-11 – Theme: