

Kent 4-H Horse Leader's Monthly Meeting Minutes – December 1, 2016

Attendance: Key: X = Attended Blank = Absent

Please remember to sign in on the attendance sheet!

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Bit Collected	<input type="checkbox"/> Friends & Neighbors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saddle Up Country
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Cantering Commotion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leather N Lace	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showcase Riders
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Step Ahead	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Making Strides	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silver Spurs
<input type="checkbox"/> Bit by Bit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Perfect Partners	<input type="checkbox"/> Stablemate
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Ribbon Riders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Platinum Riders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wind Riders
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Country Cowboys	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pony Express	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Denim & Dust	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rainbow Riders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Horse Superintendent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dirty Boots & Country Roots	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ridge Riders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MSU Educator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dream Riders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rockin' Horse	

Call to Order w/ Pledges by Carolyn @7:30 p.m.

Secretary's Report by

Motion to Accept: by Pam Lockwood MSC by Kristi Rozenboom

Treasurer's Report by

Motion to Accept: by Kristi Rozenboom MSC by Kathy Covert

Extension Office Report: Melinda Pepper

1. Enrollment went well
2. Pizza Party Winner: Leather & Lace Way to go
3. If your club is interested in a fundraising event please see Melinda

Upcoming Events

4-H MQHA Clinic Weekend Feb 3-4

Teen & Adult 4-H Horse Leaders Conference February 25th

4-H FFA State Horse Judging Contest March 26th

Norma Agnew Memorial 4-H Hairy Horse Show Clinic April 8th

Fair Board Report: Dave Pachulski

Fair Board is reviewing horse departure for 2017 fair. Dave and Matt are on it!

Old Business:

NEW RULE CHANGE: We are now following new state guidelines for Saddle Seat:

Saddles must be a flat English type commonly called cutback. Dressage, forward seat, Western and side saddles are prohibited

Bunn Scholarship: Open to all High School Seniors and College Freshman

New Business:

Reminder: We do not use the term "rating" anymore we use the work "Evaluate" (Corrected after minutes went out)

2017 Fair Theme: Raising the Steaks

Fundraiser for next year: Talked about donating to the Veterans. Ideas for donations from Sue Clay: Makingpeoplewhole.org and Body, mind and being project

Committee Reports:

Most Committees are busy working on stuff with no reports at this time. Other reports listed below.

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Explorer Committee:

NEEDS HELP!!!! Please Sign up (Reminder Parents of explorers can sign up as well.

Keep Committee: Going forward the committee will have Keep Books reviewed in October and ready for use by November. This year we should be good to go by January 1, 2017

Contesting Committee: Big Changes here is what is being talked about so far:

- All speed contestants must pass a rating in order to compete at fair:
 - Ratings will be held on multiple dates at several locations (Red Flannel Fairgrounds, Sheriff's Facility, Lowell Fairground Arena) Dates and locations will be posted in January
 - Ratings can also be scheduled by contacting a contesting committee member for an agreed on date and location
 - Rating will involve a pattern which will be posted in January along with oral questions from the rulebook (***Pattern on 2nd Page***)
 - Rider must be able to lope the pattern...it is permissible to break down to a trot around the obstacles (cones and barrels/buckets)
 - Horses that buck during the pattern will not pass the rating
 - Additional opportunities will be given either the same date or another date if either the pattern or oral portion of the rating is not passed the first time
 - Ratings must be completed/passed prior to class entry due date. Riders without a pass rating will not be able to enter speed classes. No adding of speed classes at fair unless a rating was passed.
- Stakes race will replace Poles for Novice Riders...run stakes race after poles so the middle poles can be removed with only the end poles remaining. It will involve a figure eight around the poles. The pattern will be posted in January
- Grand Entry on Speed Nights at Fair:
 - Each level (Novice, Junior, and Senior/Horsemaster) will be able to participate in a grand entry to the Nation Anthem. One level per night. This is not mandatory. Small flags will be provided.
 - Leaders of the procession will be chosen from entries submitted at KFNO shows. One entry per rider at each show
 - Grand Entry could be another sponsorship class opportunity

*** Pattern to be posted on website when approved

Motion to adjourn at 8:30pm by: Matt Weldon. Seconded by Marcie Devries.

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

- Leader Meetings – 7:30 p.m. @ MSUE Office: January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, and August 3.