

QSLB Minutes – July 21, 2009

The meeting was held at the home of Scott and Roberta Zurrer and started at 7:10 pm.

Present: Kathy Thomas, Cathy Colwell, Judith Pineault, Victoria Barnes, Garnet Clapp, Roberta Zurrer, Sheri Doornekamp

Regrets: Virginia Sheriff, Amy Doornekamp, Jennifer Andersen

1. Acceptance of minutes – Passed
2. Business Arising from Minutes – None
3. Treasurer's report – No change from previous email sent out by Judith in mid-June. Approx. \$6,000. In bank.
4. Membership report – Still some stragglers coming in. Roberta reported 75 members.
5. Linda Squibb has resigned from the Board. Her formal letter of resignation is in the hands of the Secretary. All directors – please remove Linda's name from your email list. Also, Judith and Karen should confirm the toilets with Bob's Toilets before their respective shows. Linda arranged for the toilets – they just have to be confirmed.
6. Letter from Karen Cullum to the Board via Sheri. Sheri read the letter to the Board and all items were discussed. Sheri has contacted Karen by email to ask her permission to attach the letter to the minutes. The Board discussed each of Karen's recommendations with the following comments:
 1. After entries are received and times set, but before they are posted on the web – Karen suggested that the show organizer should review the times for possible errors and/or changes. The Board agreed with this suggestion and Jennifer will be asked to email the times to each organizer for the last 2 shows prior to being posted on the web.
 2. Organizational concerns having the second show on the same weekend at a different location. The Board agreed with the administrative nightmare this causes and this will be addressed when next year's dates are decided.
 3. First-aid needs to be at each location. This has been addresses and there is a full first-aid kit with the show boxes. We acknowledge that the first-aid kit was missing for the first weekend of shows and we apologize to the show organizers for this slip.
 4. Waiving the show organizer's fee as Board members are doing some of the organizational work. This will be discussed in the fall although most members did agree with Karen.

We would like to thank Karen for hosting 3 shows this year for the group and we really appreciate her taking the time to write down her recommendations for better shows in the future.

7. Jennifer Andersen – has volunteered to donate a trophy for the Bronze Championships. This will be passed on to Karen. Thank you Jen. Please let us know what division you would like to sponsor?? **

8. Bronze Championship – This was discussed at length and Victoria has agreed to discuss our suggestions with Karen who is the show organizer.

- It was agreed that the championship classes would be open to everyone – that is, no qualifying criteria.
- QSLB will send out a mailing (Victoria / Roberta) to all members with the prize list / entry form.
- Closing date will be 2 weeks prior to the show.
- There would be 11 Championships / Reserve Championships awarded:

Walk – Trot Division – Test A & B (Average of scores) Jr / Sr / Pony

Training Division – Tests 3 & 4 (Average of scores) Jr / Sr / Pony

First Level Division – Tests 3 & 4 (Average of scores) Jr / Sr / Pony

Group Dressage Division – 3 Classes - 1. Turn out

2a. Dressage Equitation (Walk / Trot)

OR

2b. Dressage Equitation (Walk / Trot / Canter)

3a. Suitability to become a Dressage Horse (or Pony)

(Walk / Trot)

3b. Suitability to become a Dressage Horse (or Pony)

(Walk / Trot / Canter)

- This Division will have a JR / SR Champion / Reserve

Ties were discussed at length – there will be NO ties for Champion / Reserve

NEXT MEETING – 7pm. Sept 15 at Roberta's.

** Addendum to the minutes: It was decided that the trophy would be awarded to the horse/rider combination who obtains the highest average score (using maximum of 2 tests ridden on said day), excluding the Group Dressage Division.