



November 8, 2009

ODGHA Monthly Meeting

Attendees:

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| 1. Tom Gossard | 7. Tina Landis |
| 2. Dave Herbert | 8. Rose Murphy |
| 3. Jim Staiger | 9. Joe London |
| 4. Kim Thompson | 10. Steve Rice |
| 5. Rusty Thompson | 11. Sharon Rice |
| 6. Sue Fanelli | 12. Pam Herbert |

Tom Gossard called the November 8th, 2009 membership meeting to order at 3:05 PM. Tom stated that the October meeting minutes have been published on the yahoo list and the ODGHA website. He asked if everyone had read them and if there was a motion to approve the minutes as they were posted. The motion to approve the October meeting minutes was given by Tina Landis and seconded by Rose Murphy. There was no discussion so the minutes were approved as read. Tom stated that the Special Conference Call/meeting on October 23rd have been published on the yahoo list and the ODGHA website. He asked if everyone had read them and if there was a motion to approve the minutes as they were posted. The motion to approve the October 23rd meeting minutes was given by Dave Herbert and seconded by Joe London. There was no discussion so the minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Report

David Herbert stated the balance of the clubs account. Sharon Rice made a motion to accept the treasurer's report with a second from Sue Fanelli. Tom asked for discussion. None was brought p. The Treasures Report was approved.

Membership Report

Kim Thompson stated that she had received two renewal memberships. One is for Maggie MacAllister and the other is for Joe London. The members voted to accept the renewal. Tom asked for discussion. None was brought up. We currently have 34 paid members.

Merchandise

Sharon Rice had nothing new to report. She has all remaining stock and reminded everyone that if anyone wants items for Christmas to let her know and she will order them.

Website

David Herbert, Webmaster, stated that he has the registration form for the One Day Show series Banquet up on the website. Please remember to go on there and sign up. He continues to update the website. Check it out!!!

Trail Ride Report

Dave Herbert has removed all dates for any future trail rides from the website. Joe London will be taking this task over. So continue to check out the website for upcoming dates.

Old Business

High Points for 2009

Ann McFarland was not present to provide a report on the high points. She has not gathered any information. Tom Gossard asked if the club wanted to have any kind of party or banquet. After some discussion the club decided to table this until the December membership meeting.

April 2010 Show

Tom stated that everything is done for the management part of the April show. We are currently working on finalizing the class list. This show is scheduled for April 16th and 17th; it will be a single show in Lexington, VA at the Virginia Horse Center. Listed below are the show officials:

Judge - Adam Hall
Dressage Judge - Sue Fanelli
Announcer - Bob Klinefelder
Organist - Geri Spalding
Show Secretary - Alice Martins
Ring Master - Aaron Martins

Southern States Proof of Purchase collection

Dave Herbert just reminded everyone to please continue to send in the Southern States Proof of Purchases.

Brochure

Dave Herbert stated that he will be getting some copies of the brochure printed for our club.

One Day Show Series

Tom Gossard spoke about the One Day Show Series. Sue Fanelli asked if we had made money on any of the one day shows. We have lost more than we have made. Tom said one problem is our expenses. Sue asked why we have to affiliate with any one. There was a lot of discussion. Sue Fanelli made a motion that we will affiliate with Shenandoah Valley Horse Association for the Memorial Day Show with a second from Sharon Rice. More discussion, we voted and it

passed. Tom asked do we want to have a second show? There was a lot of discussion, but decided to table this topic until later.

New Business

One Day Show Banquet

The Banquet is scheduled for **Saturday, November 21st 2009 - 1:00 PM** at Nick's Airport Inn, Route 11 North - Hagerstown MD 21740. **You need to register by November 16th**. Meals will be chosen from a special menu which will include dessert. (Cash Bar will be available). Banquet is \$25 per person and Congratulations to all of those who won and if you didn't win, please come out and offer your support.

Nominating Committee

Anne McFarland, Chair of the Nominating Committee, was not present to bring the slate of officers and Board Member to the November meeting so Tom Gossard read the names of the officers and Board Member that were running.

President - Tom Gossard

Vice President - Steve Rice

Treasurer - David Herbert

Secretary - no one volunteered

Director - Ann McFarland

Tom Gossard asked if there were any nominations from the floor for President. No Response, Office for President is closed. Are there any nominations from the floor for Vice President? No Response, Office for Vice President is closed. Are there any nominations from the floor for Secretary? Tom Gossard nominates Kim Thompson for Secretary. Kim Thompson is now nominated for the Office of Secretary. Tom Gossard asked if there were any other nominees for the Office of Secretary? No response, Office for Secretary is closed. Are there any nominations from the floor for Treasurer? No Response, Office for Treasurer is closed. Are there any nominations from the floor for Director? No Response, Office for Director is closed.

Tom Gossard provided instructions on the rules of who can vote depending on their type of membership and passed out the election ballots to everyone that is able to vote according the club by-laws. He counted the ballots and votes and announced that all nominees were accepted as well as Kim Thompson was elected to Secretary.

IRS Status

Dave Herbert read the motion to the club members. Dave has posted a motion to the website to make a change that the IRS suggested to the By-Laws. This motion will be read again and we will be voting on this motion at the December membership meeting.

Future Horse Show Facilities

Joe London is checking on some new facilities as well as Sharon Rice.

Schooling Show

Dave Herbert stated that he has received the contract for our 1st schooling show of 2010. The date is March 27th at the Shenandoah County Fair Grounds. The \$100 fee was waived as they gave us a credit from the September schooling show that did not take place. We do have to pay for the microphone and an attendant. We can use the ribbons and class sheet from the September show.

Tom Gossard stated that Jane Palmer wrote him an email saying that she was a member and would like to have more places to ride (trail rides) in VA. She is going to attend a meeting that is open to the public about the about topic. She submitted her review of that meeting: There was a lot of discussion on the topic; Tom suggested that we forward a letter to the Secretary of the Department of Interior about the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park. Tom asked that Kim Thompson send the letter for our club.

Outreach Meeting

Tom Gossard spoke about the outreach meeting with PPWHA, MATWHA, Walking Horses of Maryland, and ODGHA. He said that it was the consensus that we should have a consolidated show schedule for 2010. The clubs will move/change their show dates to accommodate every ones schedule. There was a lot of discussion on this topic.

Tina Landis reminded people that the DQP school in going to be the 3rd weekend in February 2010 in Murfreesboro, TN. Remember to sign up early if you want to attend.

Sue Fanelli asked the club if they would consider sponsoring the Carolina Walkers show in the amount of \$120. There was discussion. We sponsored them last year for \$120. Sue then made the motion that ODGHA sponsor the Carolina Walker show in the amount of \$120 with a second from Sharon Rice. There was discussion, voted on and passed.

Tom Gossard spoke about the World Equestrian Games. There was a lot of discussion on this topic. Joe London made a motion that the ODGHA make a \$100 donation to NWHHA to help support our presents at the World Equestrian Games with a second from Sue Fanelli. There was a lot of discussion. The club voted on this and it was passed.

The December meeting will be held on Saturday, December 5th, 2009 at 3 pm at Sue Fanelli's home in Stafford, VA.

With nothing further to discuss the meeting, Dave Herbert made a motion to adjourn with a second from Steve Rice. The meeting adjourned at 4:14 PM.