



## Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council Meeting Minutes from 10/6/2014

- I. Call to Order: 6:30 pm by Brian Missildine (President)

Attendance: **Barrel Blazers** (Olivia and Gina Cain); **Best of Times** (Denise Schupbach); **Black Hills Gold** (); **Blazing Saddles** (); **Country Pride** (Gwen and Jamison Carrell, Darcy and Grace Potts, Nichole Witt, Brian Missildine, Chrystal Weld, Shanie Cohen); **Cowgirls Unlimited** (Jill Schrader); **Galloping High Riders** (); **Live to Lope** (Cheyenne Deal and Cara Fredrickson); **Ponderosa Ponies** (); **Pegasus Riders** (); **Sea Horses** (Carol Saul, Trisha Jones and Wendy Bodwell); **Thundering Hooves** (); **Wild at Heart** (Peggy Williamson); Tracie Hanson, **WSU Extension**.

- II. Previous Meeting Minutes: *Approved as written, motion by Gwen C., seconded by Carol S., and approved by the group.*
- III. Financial Report: Current balance is \$4,375.59 with outstanding bills yet to be paid to fairgrounds for facilities use.
- IV. 4-H General Council Report:
  - a. No meeting in September
  - b. Bingo fundraiser coming in October. (More information in Extension Report)
  - c. Window Display contest will be held first week of November.
- V. Extension Report:
  - a. New 4-H year has started and leaders are receiving information. More resources are available at graysharborwsu.edu. Project specific information and group information as well. Tracie would like re-enrollments by December 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - b. Enrollment forms are now PDF format so we can sign in and re-enroll electronically. New data base for enrolling members which will make future enrolling more manageable.
  - c. December 31<sup>st</sup> financial summaries are due to Tracie. (This is a change from previous years due Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>)
  - d. Leader training is this Thursday, Oct. 9th here in Elma. Nov. 6 and Nov. 13 will be other volunteer trainings.

- VI. Learning Activity: Question/Test packet to increase horse knowledge. Also, for judging opportunities you can go to [horsechannel.com](http://horsechannel.com)
- VII. Fun Activity:
- a. Thank you Jamison C. for the activity.
  - b. **Grace P. has volunteered to lead the fun activity for November.**
- VIII. Other/Old Business:
- a. Judges—trying to secure judges earlier for pre-fair and fair. Gwen is working on this. She has received a list of names to start contacting people.
- IX. New Business:
- a. Hope From Horses came and shared about their program and are looking for volunteers of people and horses. Horses need to be calm and steady to accommodate the riders. Ride schedule is 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month 6-9 through April. First ride is Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>. Clubs can use this as a community service opportunity. Contact Jessica Bradley for more information 360-470-8564.
  - b. Mason County Horse Council would like to participate in our schooling shows and pre-fair.
  - c. Question was posed to offer a jumping class at fair. Might be able to offer it as an exposition, but need someone to find jumps and gain knowledge about jumping. Any members interested in jumping, please contact Trisha Jones 581-4945 so we know if we should pursue jumping for fair.
  - d. Clubs: We have kids looking for clubs, Best of Times, Wild at Heart, Sea Horses are willing to take new kids into their clubs.
  - e. State Debrief: Please encourage kids to commit to State if they fill out paperwork. Judging participation was great. Congratulations to Intermediate judging teams placing 7<sup>th</sup> at State. Maleaha Smith placed 5<sup>th</sup> and Grace Potts placed 6<sup>th</sup>. Senior team placed 9<sup>th</sup>. Denise had t-shirts made for the kids. Poles are missing for the valances so will need to look into replacements for the next year. All the other equipment is accounted for. Tack boxes need to be cleaned better before kids leave the fair. Overall it was an amazing experience for GH County. We are proud of our kids. **Gina C. volunteered to help order and organize decorations for next year.**

- f. Clover Campaign: Wed Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>-Sun. Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> schedule a time to go and talk about your project. People purchase clovers and the county receives a portion of the profits. Call Whitney Harper at Monte Del's to schedule a time to educate the public.
- g. Bingo Volunteers/Baskets/Cards is being held Saturday Oct. 11 at 7pm at Olympic View Grange. Clubs can donate gift cards, bring baked goods, help with the Bingo and/or just come and play. Contact Kathy Cozad or Nancy Graham to volunteer.
- h. Hairy Horse Show Dates: Sundays, Jan. 25, Mar. 8, May 10, were the dates given to 4-H. Nichole will continue to work on these. Grace P. motioned we raise the rate to \$100.00 for performance judge and \$50.00 for gaming judges, seconded by Jamison C, motioned passed. **Need a gaming show manager to work with Nichole who is doing the performance side.**
- i. Vice President Election: Need nominations for this position and we will vote on the position at our Nov. meeting. Peggy W. was nominated, please get Brian M. other names.
- j. Further discussion will be held about adding special classes for special needs riders.
- k. State Points System: Jill S. reopened discussion about gaming points. Options of adding high blues back (add a category), rank order kids based on times, rank times for 5 top times and then break down the high blues, blues, red, and whites. Was also presented at looking at judging and showmanship scores and points be added into state totals. **Jill S. and Denise S. will present points options at the next meeting. We will come back to the discussion at a later meeting.**
- l. Volunteer Hours by Member: Also, presented making a requirement for 4-H members to put in a minimum volunteer time. Will also continue this discussion at a further date.
- m. Clarification was made that pictures displayed at fair need to follow 4-H safety guidelines.
- n. Peggy W. received a display board to advertise fair events to educate the public on what is happening for the horse schedule.
- o. Peggy W. received a donation from McCleary Riders of a drag for the arena during gaming events. Thank you Peggy and McCleary Riders!!
- p. Cheyenne D. proposed the idea of a tack swap sale. She will work on this and bring information to the next meeting.
- q. Gwen C. proposed we donate \$150.00 towards state medals, seconded by Jamison C., motion passed by the group.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

**Next Meeting: November 3, 2014; 6:30 p.m. Extension Office, Elma**  
All are welcome to attend and participate! This is your voice for our horse program!

**\*\*Bolded items can also be found in the attached table for "Action Items."**

<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Completed Date</b>
Someone to lead fun activity for the November meeting.	Grace P.	
Present an educational activity to be used at future 4H meetings.	Darcy P.	
Manage Performance section of Hairy Horse Shows	Nichole W.	
Manage Gaming section of Hairy Horse Shows		
Research and present different options for Gaming points at fair to qualify riders for state	Jill S. Denise S.	