

Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council
Meeting Minutes for March 6, 2023

Call to order at 6:30 pm, pledges said.

In attendance: Jessica- Best of Times, Ariel- Phantom Riders, Rachel- Phantom Riders, Miranda- Barrel Blazers, Ranie- Thundering Hooves, Andrea- Country Pride, Dan- WSU Extension/ 4-H

Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion by Ranie, Second by Rachel. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: There were no expenses in February. Our current balance is \$4720.36. Signers at Timberland will be updated this month to add Jessica and Andrea.

Extension Report: Dan gave a quick update that all is well at Extension. Our agreement with Grays Harbor County was signed for the year. Upcoming dates of interest, including the April 1 enrollment deadline were reviewed.

General Council: Reminder of the Barn Bingo event on April 2 at the Dog Barn. Each club is encouraged to supply a gift basket for the event.

Fun Activity: Ariel brought treats for all to share! Andrea will plan an activity for April.

Old business:

a: State Fair decorations- The group was informed of the need for some purchases will need to take place for State Fair decorations due to wear and tear over the years.

b: Save the Dates- The flyer for the upcoming schooling shows was handed out to club leaders to share with their club members. Online registration is now open for the first two gaming shows. There will be a professional photographer on site for these shows and the photo release is included with the online form and in paper format at the office.

We spoke about our need for volunteers at these shows and at the minimum needing one volunteer from each club. Ranie has volunteered her quad for the gaming days and it will be parked at Jessica's when not in use. Rachel has volunteered to run the show office and David Wyatt has volunteered to announce the gaming days as well.

c: Recognition and Awards- Review of the changes to Versatile Horseman and Outstanding Gamer were reviewed with club leaders.

New Business:

a: Paint for Conex container- Dan spoke about the refurbishment of our storage container and the upcoming need for a new floor and paint for the outside. All club leaders and council members agreed that the paint would come from Horse Council funds.

b: GHC Fair Planning and Resources- All materials for club leaders were handed out for the upcoming fair season, including the revised "Thriving in the Horse Project" documents. Additionally, we had discussion about a shared livestock meeting the night of haul-in. Fair committee assignments were spoken for as well and they are as follows:

Barrel Blazers- Equipment Managers, Awards Ceremony, and State Horse Names
Best of Times- General 4-H Council Rep, Record Books, Fun and Games/Pie Eating
Country Pride- Perpetual Awards, Fair Awards, Fair Ribbons
Phantom Riders- Trail Course, Awards Set-up
Thundering Hooves- Herds Committee, Round Robin, Judge's Comments

We as a group also discussed the open gaming show on the last day of the fair. If it is ours to host, we want to check if it is possible with our insurance to have a "buckaroo" age division. Andrea volunteered to check in with this and with Rod to verify year of rotation.

Tentative fair count per club:

Barrel Blazers-10
Best of Times-8
Country Pride-8
Phantom Riders-11
Thundering Hooves-4

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm