

MINUTES

A special meeting was held October 3 at the Horse Camping Area, Kettle Moraine State Forest. Rides represented were Minnesota Valley (Ruby Bartlett and Skip Svendsen); S.E. Minnesota (Marge Campion, Micallee Campion); Neillsville (Lindsay and Christine Taliaferro); Iowa (Louise Riedel, Bob Beecher); Mazomanie (Betty and John Bennett); Merrill (Mr & Mrs Wayne Ringham); Kettle Moraine (Esther Schwartz,); Quad Cities, (Bill Heck)

President Lindsay Taliaferro explained that due to the continuing growth of Upper Midwest, it has become necessary to amend the By-laws and Articles of Incorporation to provide for a more realistic administration of the organization. The proposed changes are attached to these minutes and will be voted on at the annual meeting to be held January 15 in LaCrosse. Lindsay also announced that a committee of ride veterinarians under Dr. French, chairman, will consider such factors as ride standards, judging criteria and remuneration of veterinary judges, and will bring recommendations to the annual meeting. All rides were asked to provide names of veterinarians who have judged at their events.

It was decided to consider simplifying the name of the organization. Suggestions will be brought to the annual meeting.

Louise Riedel, Secretary

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE IV, Section 1. At present reads: "Membership in this organization shall be limited to active members only. Such active memberships shall be granted to all endurance ride corporations and/or individuals, persons who, on proper application, are approved by the Membership Committee and confirmed by a majority of the members present at a meeting of the club.

Proposed Amendment: Membership in this organization shall be limited to active members only. Such active membership shall be granted to all endurance and/or competitive rides which on proper application are approved by the Board of Directors. Each member ride agrees to abide by the rules and regulations established by the Association. The Board of Directors may adjudicate any infraction of such rule and take such action as it deems necessary.

BY LAWS

Article II, Section 1. TIME: At present reads: "An annual meeting of the members, after the year 1972 shall be held on the first Sunday of December in each year, when they shall elect by a majority vote a Board of Directors.

Proposed Amendment: "An annual meeting of the members shall be held each year no more than 90 days after the last sanctioned ride. At this time they shall elect by a majority vote a Board of Directors, which shall consist of the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, immediate past president and two members elected at large.

ARTICLE III, Section 2. Vacancies. At present reads: "Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Directors or by election at a meeting of members. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office."

Proposed Amendment: Delete "by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Directors or"

Section 3. Meetings and Notice At present reads: "The Board of Directors shall meet each year immediately after the annual meeting....."

Proposed Amendment: The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each year immediately prior to the annual meeting....."

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS. Section 1. At present reads: " The Board of Directors at its first meeting and at its first meeting after each annual meeting of members shall elect a President from its own number, and the Board shall also annually elect a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer....."

Proposed Amendment: "The members at the annual meeting shall by simple majority of those present, elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer may be a combined office."

Section 3: At present reads: " The Officers of the Corporation shall hold office for one year or until their successors are chosen and qualify in their stead. Notwithstanding an earlier termination of their office as Directors, any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the whole Board of Directors with or without cause."

Proposed Amendment: Delete the sentence beginning "Notwithstanding an earlier termination....."

ENDURANCE, LIGHT	S.DAK.	IOWA	MINN. VALLEY	S.E. MINN.	NEELYVILLE	MERRILL	PALM-SAGE	K.M.	HT. OF ILL.	MAZO.	QUAD CITIES	TOTAL	PLACING
MARGE CAMPION - ^{ISAAR} CEDARDELL ALGET	6	6		8	6					6		32	CHAMPION
MARNET NANCE.						7		14				21	RESERVE
LYNETTE ENGELOLD. DUSTY	4	1	1	1		6	7					20	TOP SIX
SARA DAVIS. JULYAN BLU		1		5	3	4			4			17	TOP SIX
JAN WORTHINGTON. ^{BLANC} SEURAT							5		7	4		16	TOP SIX
L. TALIAFERRO III. STRAWBERRY		7	6	1								14	TOP SIX
W. KARELAK. GAY DAWN	5			2	7							14	TOP SIX

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LOUISE RIEDEL - CAPRISON		6	3		7	7	8	12	7			50	CHAMPION
PICK NELSON - RAFFENETTA	4	7	6	7					5			29	RESERVE
GUY WORTHINGTON - GARMAN							4	16	7			29	TOP SIX
DR. NANCE - FLINT	1	5	7	6			6					25	TOP SIX
L. TALIAFERRO JR. LA RAIN. DEURS	2	4	1	5				8		7		27	TOP SIX
KEN COFFMAN. ^{JAMEAL} EL ZAGAL			1	3			3	10	3			20	TOP SIX

COMPETITIVE, LIGHT	S.DAK.	IOWA	MINN. VALLEY	S.E. MINN.	NEELYVILLE	MERRILL	PALM-SAGE	K.M.	HT. OF ILL.	MAZO.	QUAD CITIES	TOTAL	PLACING
TOM GUY. TONKASHAW		7	5	2	5	4	8	12	7	7		57	CHAMPION
BONNIE KAUFMAN - MITZI		5			3		11.2	14		4	7	44.2	RESERVE
SUE HAENERT - FANIA		6	6	4			7	6	1		6	36	TOP TEN
VIC ALLEE CAMPION - PASO	1	2	7		7	6	6.4			5		34.4	TOP TEN
KIP SVENDSEN - DESERT ANGEL						7	9.6	4				20.6	TOP TEN
CHRISTALIAFERRO. PENNY						2	4	7		2	4	19	TOP TEN
JAN WORTHINGTON - NIKKI							1		5	6	5	17	TOP TEN
MARIAN MACDONALD. BENINA					1		2	2	4		3	12	TOP TEN
SUZANNE FRASSA. AVALON	1	1			2	3		5				12	TOP TEN
ROULETTE WESTERN. M. BALTAR	7		4									11	TOP TEN

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LARRY HANSEN. ^{ARENA} TEZAR	7	5	7	7	2	1	11.2	10	3			53.2	CHAMPION
BOB MIELKE. ^{AL-KAM} SHAZAM			4		4	5	9.6	8	4	2		36.6	RESERVE
LINDA BYRNE. J.S. ZANTAR		7	6		5		3		7		4	29	TOP TEN
JEAN MARTIN. CHALNIMAR							6	12			5	20	TOP TEN
JEAN WILCOX. SCARLETT BEE	2	4	1		1	6	7	1				22	TOP TEN
LOUISE RIEDEL. SKYRISAR		3	3	5	6	4						21	TOP TEN
JOHN MACDONALD. LALLA	6	6	2					6	1			21	TOP TEN
MARION YOUNGS. SHAAHIM							5	14				19	TOP TEN
R.T. GUY. GINTA								7	2	5		14	TOP TEN
HENRY GEORGE					1	2	6.4	4		1		14.4	TOP TEN

1976 PLACINGS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF VETERINARY COMMITTEE

The Upper Midwest Veterinary Committee met 12/19/76 at Chatfield, Minn. Present were Drs. French, Hauptert, Schroeder and Beecher.

The following points were discussed and the following agreements were reached:

1. The use of a standard point system for evaluating competitive horses was decided upon. The parameters of 70/40 will still be the basis for competition, but this system will allow the horses to be better judged at spot checks if they are above 70/40. The system is explained on an accompanying sheet.

2. It was decided that the lesions and dehydration will be recorded at the end of the ride by one man or by a committee. This will insure that all horses are equally judged and will not be double penalized for the same lesion or degree of dehydration at successive check points. This does not mean that these conditions will not be checked at each check point as a judgement to continue or not. The lesions and dehydration will be scored on a standard form and added to the standard score on a percentage basis.

3. The ride (competitive) will be judged on the basis of at least three checks. Any other checks that are held may or not be used. This again will eliminate the human factor of grooms and time variances at the $\frac{1}{2}$ -hour stop. The rule of one groom per horse is, in our opinion, flagrantly violated at this time and we do not intend to attempt to enforce this rule. The 70/40 parameter will still be enforced at the $\frac{1}{2}$ -hour check point.

4. There will be a minimum of three checks per ride (25 miles)

5. If a horse passes the last veterinary check point on the established parameters and is capable of finishing the ride in the required time it is normally considered to be in acceptable condition. However the veterinary judging committee shall be the final determining factor in establishing an animal's acceptable condition.

6. The following guidelines and procedures are recommended for ride management:

- a. The ride committee shall provide a well-marked and accurately measured course.
- b. There shall be a ride manager, head secretary, veterinary secretaries, head timer and trail boss.
- c. There shall be an adequate veterinary examination area.
- d. Transportation shall be provided for necessary personnel movement.
- e. Drag riders and/or radio crews shall be available to monitor riders' movements. Pickup vehicles for horses shall be provided.
- f. It is recommended that there be at least one veterinarian licensed in the ride's particular state.

g. Any deviation from Upper Midwest rules shall be advertised in an approved manner and also posted at the head secretary's area.

h. All pre-ride examinations should be completed one hour before ride time. The pre-ride meeting should be $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before ride time.

i. The ride should have a posted starting time.

7. Veterinary duties are recognized as the following:

a. The ultimate duty of the veterinary committee is to insure the safety and health of the horses entered in competition.

b. The veterinarians shall conduct pre-ride examinations and examinations during the ride to provide that point 7a be insured.

8. Veterinary pre-ride examinations should consist of temperature, pulse and respiration checks, examination of all four feet and legs, mouth conjunctiva and oral membranes. Also locomotion checks in a straight line and figure eight and any other veterinary examination as may be required by the veterinary committee, including under tack. Riders should have their horse prepared for the above examination. An unruly horse will not be judged.

Fees have been discussed at a previous meeting and we would refer Upper Midwest to that meeting. An alternative might be the use of P&R crews if they are properly trained. This should be cleared with the head veterinarian before they are instigated. At this time we would still recommend a minimum of two veterinarians per ride with P&R crews.

SCORING SYSTEM - Based on pulse of 40 and respiration of 10 being perfect.

You can score below 40/10 on this system by simply adding the negative score that you get to 50. This allows you to judge the horse that is below 40/10 on the same mathematical basis. You can also go above 70/40 and do the same thing.

EXAMPLES

A horse with pulse of 40 and respiration of 10 = 50 points (base line)

1) P 56, R 24 = 35 points. Subtract the base line P/R from the actual P/R Add the two results together, divide by 2 and subtract from 50, i/e/

$$56 - 40 = 16$$

$$24 - 10 = 14$$

$$\frac{16 + 14}{2} = 15$$

$$50 - 15 = 35$$

2) P 48, R 24 = 39 $48 - 40 = 8$; $24 - 10 = 14$ $8 + 14 = 22 \div 2 = 11$ $50 - 11 = 39$

3) P 72, R 24 = 27 $72 - 40 = 32$; $24 - 10 = 14$ $32 + 14 = 46 \div 2 = 23$ $50 - 23 = 27$

4) P 36, R 8 = 53 $36 - 40 = -4$; $8 - 10 = -2$ $-4 + -2 = -6 \div 2 = -3$ $50 + 3 = 53$
(if negative result add to the 50)

5) P 90, R 70 = -5 $90 - 40 = 50$; $70 - 10 = 60$ $50 + 60 = 110 \div 2 = 55$ $50 - 55 = -5$

6) P 100, R 90 = -20 $100 - 40 = 60$; $90 - 10 = 80$ $60 + 80 = 140 \div 2 = 70$ $50 - 70 = -20$

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Fatigue	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating
Hydration	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating

Locomotor Evaluation:

Lameness	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating
Tendons	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating
Joints	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating

Body Lesion Evaluation:

Girth	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating
Mouth	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Rating
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