

ANNUAL MEETING
LaCrosse, Wisconsin, January 26, 1985

The annual meeting was called to order by president, Ron Schmid. The secretary's report from the 1984 annual meeting was approved as mailed. The 1984 financial statement was approved as circulated. Delegates from the following rides responded to roll call: St. Jude, Grand Island, Ride for Research, Glacier Trails, Hayward, Wolf Creek, AHDRA I & II, ApDRA, SE Minnesota, Wildcat Mountain, Neillsville, Charity Cup Ride, Keweenaw, Kettle Moraine, SAHARA, Mt. Valhalla, Arab Inc, Michibay, and Son of a Ditch.

It was moved to add Rule I C 4, subsequent rules to be numbered accordingly:

✓ "A rider may ask for one recheck on a p/r. It must be taken immediately, and the rider must accept the second score, whether higher or lower." Motion carried.

It was moved to amend Rule I B 5 to read "However any changes must be made and announced prior to the day's ride or may be announced at any point on the trail as long as it applies equally to all riders." Motion seconded and carried.

It was moved to Add to Rule I C 2. "A veterinarian must be present at all check points." Motion defeated 24-15

It was moved that I C 6 shall be changed to read:

Horses shall be certified for completion and placing if they

- ✓ a. Could be safely ridden further, are capable of going on even if at a reduced speed.
- b. Have stable vital signs and are showing subjective and objective signs of recovery (p/r values 10% higher than required during the ride may be acceptable.
- c. Have not required and/or received medication for any metabolic reasons before leaving the grounds. (Metabolic reasons to include colic, tying up, thumps etc.)
- d. Are not lame at the walk.

Motion carried.

It was moved to amend Rule I C 3 to read "The normal criteria for advancement is pulse of 68, respiration of 68. Motion carried, 28-16.

It was moved to change Rule II C 5 to read "Natural water only is allowed on the trail. Drinking water only is allowed at rest stops. A horse shall not be denied drinking water at any time at a vet check. It was moved to amend the motion to read "A horse shall not be denied drinking water from a bucket and/or other approved source at a scheduled vet check" Seconded and carried.
Original motion as amended carried.

Pursuant to action taken at the preceding board meeting it was moved to amend existing Rule II B 1 to read "maximum riding time will average. . ." (replacing "should average". It was moved to amend by substituting "shall" for "will". Amendment defeated. Original motion defeated 19-16.

The rule change to Rule II B 1 as presented in the agenda was presented as follows: Rule II B 1 shall be changed to read "the maximum riding time will average 6 - 7 miles per hour, three and a-half to four hours being the minimum time for a 25-mile competitive ride." It was moved to amend this motion as follows: "riding speed shall average 5.5 to 7 miles per hour, 3½ to 4 hours being the minimum time for a 25-mile competitive ride." Amendment carried. Original motion as amended carried.

It was moved that Rule II B 8 be changed to read "a rider must complete the ride in 12.5% shorter time than that of the regular time." (concerning stress divisions) Motion seconded and carried

It was moved that the following shall be added to Rules II B 2 and Rule III A "All heavyweight riders must be weighed with tack prior to the ride." Motion seconded and carried.

It was moved to change Rules II B 2 and III A to read "There shall be two weight divisions as follows . . . Heavyweight - 190 pounds and over." Motion defeated.

It was moved that the following become Rule III M, subsequent rules to be numbered accordingly. "There must be a minimum of two vet checks on a 50-mile endurance ride and a minimum of three vet checks on a 100-mile endurance ride, not to include the final checks. Motion seconded and carried.

It was moved to change Rule III H 1 to read "A rider entering a vet check may present his horse for a p/r reading at any time within 20 minutes. If the horse fails to pass, the rider may not ask for another check before 10 minutes; however the horse must pass within a total of 20 minutes or be disqualified." It was moved to amend the last sentence to read ". . . The rider may not ask for another check before 10 minutes or at the end of the original 20 minutes, whichever comes first. However the horse must pass within a total of 20 minutes. Amendment passed. Original motion as amended passed.

It was moved to institute a new year-end award, the UMECRA Family Award with the following criteria:

1. A family shall consist of husband, wife and all ^{dependent} children who are living at home. The family shall be members of UMECRA.
2. Endurance and competitive points shall be awarded on only one horse and rider combination for each member of the family.
3. Points will be awarded on the same basis as they are accumulated for UMECRA year-end awards.
4. Participants shall be required to keep track of their own scores and turn them in by December 1 so the secretary can verify the points. Failure to turn the points in by this date will eliminate family from standings.
5. Participants are required to register with the secretary before points will be counted. All members of the family who will participate will be listed at this time.
6. A trophy will be awarded to the family who accumulates the most points.

The award will be a travelling trophy in memory of Jan Scott, UMECRA to donate a small additional permanent trophy to the winning family.

Motion seconded. Amended to read (criteria #1) "A family may consist of mother, father, and all dependent children who are living at home." Seconded and carried. Original motion carried as amended.

It was moved to change the method of computing year-end points to award one point for every 25 miles of a successfully completed ride (i.e. persons winning a 50-mile competitive and a 50-mile endurance ride would both receive 14 points). Seconded and carried.

It was moved to accept the proposed 1985 ride schedule. Seconded and carried.

Election of officers followed. JoAnne Gernant and Paul Heberling were nominated for president. Paul was elected. Dr. Beecher and Dale Morris were nominated for vice-president. Dale withdrew and Dr. Beecher was elected by acclamation. Louise Riedel was nominated for secretary-treasurer and was elected by acclamation. Art Priesz, Jan Worthington, JoAnne Gernant, Dale Scott and Steve Hanson were nominated for directors. Art and Dale were elected.

The meeting adjourned

