

Elk & Beaver Lake Equestrian Society October Monthly Summary

7 members present

Treasurer, Lynn Husted reported \$5104.08 in the bank account. Donations from the Appy Club, VSC and LIEC allowed us to pay off the landscape rake acquired earlier in the year. All damage deposit cheques for ring rentals in 2011 have been torn up.

- The decision was made to develop a membership database with the help of long time member Sandy Hamel. Object is to track and communicate with the membership more efficiently. Sponsor: Pam Nezil
- EBLES now on FaceBook. Search for facebook: parkridersunited and keep up to the minute with what's happening in the park. Sponsor: Pam Nezil
- We've updated our decision making process in the executive making our agenda more agile and less bureaucratic. Decisions will now be made by consensus rather than quorum. Executive sponsors will take initiative and responsibility for following through on decision details.
- There is consensus that we need to make the equestrian presence in the park more visible. We have agreed therefore to host monthly trail rides in the park on the last Sunday of every month, meeting at 1pm at the rings. Sponsor: Dianne McGuire
- Trails in the park were on the agenda. 2 trails have been immediately nominated for repair. Members will work with CRD, the municipality, and benefactors such as HCBC to upgrade the forest trail at the 6km mark up to Forest Hill Road as well as the trail through the fields near the highway which deteriorates significantly in the wet season. Sponsor: Lynn Husted and Ted Simmons
- The Main Ring is in need of upgrading. It is believed that only surface repair may be possible as the majority of the hog fuel is not broken down. If the surface layer (which is broken down) can be removed, it may be possible to add new material as an adequate fix. The drainage is believed to still be in good repair. Sponsors: Claire Vessey, Kristen Hoel, Pam Nezil
- Work Party: Date for next work party slated for end of November or early December. Object will be to clean up and prep for winter. Water has now been turned off for the year.
- We have openings on the executive for 2012. Particularly Claire Vessey as VP, and Lynn Husted as Treasurer are leaving these responsibilities. If you'd like to participate in our executive, please contact these individuals for more information about the duties they have fulfilled so effectively.

If you have comments or wish to volunteer to help achieve our agenda goals, please contact the sponsors listed with the bulleted subjects. Have a great month riding!!!