

EBLES Executive Meeting:**Date: July 10, 2025**

Meeting was held virtually using teams conference call

ATTENDING: Dianne McGuire, Jennie Hutchison, Claire Vessey, Andy Lafontaine, Michelle Levesque

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: minutes approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: revenues and expenses from June 12, 2025:

Graeme's irrigation check listed as income in last month's minutes did not go through , and the following numbers reflect the correction

Balance Forward: \$14,405.91

Revenues:	ring rentals	\$295.00
	WE clinic	\$1800.00
	Poker Ride	\$1808.00
	Memberships	\$420.00

Total revenues	\$4323.30
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Expenses:	Graeme's irrigation	\$419.74
	Hot Dog Guys	\$450.00
	Andy L. reimbursement	\$72.21
	Jennie H. Reimburse permit fee	
	for round pen fence project	\$378.00
	Dianne McGuire reimbursement	\$90.00
	Dianne McGuire reimbursement	\$72.27
	Bank Fees	\$7.50

Total expenses:	\$1489.78
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Closing balance: \$17239.13

Projected revenues and expenses (for rest of year):

Expected Revenues:	HBC grant	\$2500.00
	Unpaid poker ride fees	\$60.00
	Memberships 2025	\$600.00
	Membership credit	\$60.00
	Ring rentals	\$500.00
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	total	\$3600.00

Expected expenses (for rest of year)- wood for round pen \$6100.00

BC hydro	\$140.00
Jane stone WE clinic	\$2100.00
Bank fees	\$3.00
Saanich Water	\$1000.00
Miscellaneous	\$300.00

Total projected expenses \$9643.00

Projected balance for end of year: \$11,196.13

MEMBERSHIP:

Current membership: 85 members consisting of 61 Individual, 8 family, 7 lifetime, 3 coach, 4 club, and 2 barn

- there are left over prizes from Poker ride. It was proposed to use them for gift basket.
- Left over MEC gift certificates will be distributed to Fred and Ted and Sally and Claire for their much-appreciated volunteer work

FACILITIES:

-Laura was taking care of sprinkler timing issue (watering for too long). Andy will contact Laura to confirm the problem has been resolved

-Andy weed whipped north side of big ring and west side of small ring

-Andy intends to work on replacing a few boards on the riding rings every few weeks. Requesting permission to purchase \$100 of lumber for that purpose. Motion voted and approved. Need to purchase fir boards

-need to get fence cleaned, then painted this summer. Jennie will communicate with Tidy Line Fencing to see if they can provide this service and obtain a quote.

-Still need to purchase gutter guards and install

-Tidy Line confirmed can replace the gate post on warm up ring, still need to get a quote for that.

ROUNDPEN:

-still trying to get a hold of Stuart to discuss fire risk with cutting metal on existing round pen.

- there may be additional cost to round pen replacement quote IF the existing metal posts are in concrete that needs to be removed (and subsequent holes backfilled)

- timing for installation likely September (will need to work around Appy show and Back Country Horsemen event)

- permits for the work are done

-have not heard from CRD about turtle fencing reimbursement.

- we will need volunteers to assist. An email will be sent out to membership requesting volunteers for the project once dates for the project are confirmed

EVENTS:

Group photo July 20. 11 am- Michelle to take photos for poster

Report on poker ride:

-we generated approximately \$1500.00 including expenses.

-need thank you for Donors- Michelle to make a photo card. Dianne will post photos from this year's poker ride into google docs

Working Equitation clinic with Jane Stone July 12-13:

- Update on registration- 14 participants registered
- People needed to set up and take down
- There are a 4 people coming in am for set up, and 3 people for take down.
- Dianne will offer to buy lunch for Jane
- Jenny will post online that there is one more opening at clinic
- Andy and Dianne picking up bridge on Friday- 6 pm

Report on Appy Club event from

- There were 39 riders generating \$195.00 in rider fees, and \$175.00 for ring rental
- summary of post event survey: Quality of the main ring poor due to large puddles, the warm up ring was rated good. We were rated excellent for friendliness. There was a request to change the chains for closing gaits. And a request to turn off the sprinkler system when it rains (which would prevent puddles and improve footing in large ring)

Rentals:

Appy club event September 14.

Back country horsemen Poker Ride Sept 27:

- They requested a copy of our poker ride application to CRD so that they can make a similar one for their event. They need to specify on the application a start and finish time (ie when hoses will be on the trails).
- They want to use the computer program that we used for our Poker Ride. We have the program in google docs. They will need to learn how to use the program in advance. Require 1 hour of coaching likely to understand the program
- They requested Ted Simmons to mark the trail for them- they will need to ask Ted. It took 4 hours to mark trail this year. Easier to do with multiple people

TRAILS:

- Report on the condition of the trails: not available

OTHER /NEW BUSINESS

Back country horse event in September needs to be listed on our web page. Need to contact Lara to get that done

Dianne will look into cost of wood dowel for additional manure forks for riding rings

NEXT MEETING: Thursday September 11th

Minutes Submitted by Michelle Levesque