

## **EBLES MEETING May 12, 2016 @ 7:00 pm**

**PRESENT** David Leitch, Lara Wear, Heather Afford, Gillian Phillips, Kristin Hoel

- David called the meeting to order and proposed that the April minutes be approved as accepted. All in favour.

### **TREASURES REPORT**

- Heather reported the current balance is \$4867.87 with the poker ride bringing in \$2058.00 (\$1764 after expenses).

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### **Fence Posts/Paint/Work Update**

- David would like to contract Jason Teale to keep the fence posts in good order on an ongoing basis and to give us a quote on lifting the shelter up when money permits.

#### **Tractor Storage**

- Discussion held about possible purchase of storage container for the tractor. An 8' x 20' x 8'6" Dry Freight ISO container from Delta, BC would cost us \$1825 plus delivery. Alternatively the tractor stays in the concession building year round. Kristin mentioned that Stacy Carlos of the Appy Club may be keen to learn how to use the tractor, harrow the rings and put the tractor away afterward their shows so that they can access their jumps without maneuvering around the tractor.
- Decision was reached to leave the tractor where it is so there will be no need to purchase a storage container.

### **POKER RIDE DEBRIEF**

- Kristin set the flags out for the route and Lara and Heather rode the route first on the morning of the poker ride and reported some of the flags were already down. Next year whoever goes out first will bring some more flags along to replace any missing ones.
- Next year, NO EXCEPTIONS, if people do not show proof of their horse council number, they will not be allowed to ride.
- No riders will be allowed out on the poker ride route past a certain specified time to avoid delays.
- Overall the poker ride went very well. The 2015 ride made \$2030 and the 2016 ride made \$2058. After all expenses for 2016 we made \$1764.

### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### **Trails**

##### **Governor General Trail/bridge**

- Kristin cleared the trail that goes around the bridge herself.

#### **Lochside Trail**

- Lara reported that Tony Wass and JoAnne Nelson, EBLES representatives at large, have met with one of the cycling groups and they were amicable. There has been more talk of incorporating horses and bikes on the trail and keeping it multiuse. EBLES will continue to support Tony and JoAnne in further negotiations/discussions.

### **Capital Region Equestrians**

- Liz Ashton is chair of this group and has created a registry of everyone “horsey” in the region. There is a list of equestrian representatives for the parks that horses are presently permitted in. The group is representing equestrians and advocating to keep and extend equestrian riding trails. Ted Simmons is the rep for Elk Lake.

### **FACILITIES RENTAL**

Kristin reported that Adrianna has booked five dates as follows:

June 19 Trail Clinic/Play Day

July 3 All English and Mini Horse Show

July 10 Ranch Horse and Trail Event

Aug 14 English/Western Trophy Show

Sept 11 Trail Clinic/Play Day

### **WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

- At the Appy show Apr 24 they said there was a wasp nest in the announcers booth as well as bats in the announcers booth.

### **ELECTRONICS**

- Lara reported that she had advertised the Poker Ride on the EBLES Facebook page. EBLES has 236 “likes” on Facebook.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

- June 9, 2016 @ 7:00 pm
- Move to adjourn at 7:50 pm. All in favour.