

EBLES MEETING October 13, 2016 @ 7:00 pm

PRESENT Lara Wear, Heather Afford, Gillian Phillips, Rod Phillips

- Lara called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and proposed that the September minutes be accepted. All in favour.

TREASURES REPORT

- Heather reported the current balance is \$5791.65.
- Heather reported that the Appy Club made note on their rental form that the locks on the big gate to the hogfuel ring were difficult to open and also that there were some rocks in the hogfuel ring and horses were tripping. Rod and Gill will get some lock lubricant and spray the locks with it.
- Heather sent an email out from the meeting to the Appy Club contact person following up on her concerns.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Electronic/Written Correspondence

- Lara received an email from a club in Port Alberni asking for information on how EBLES is run as well as an email from the Capital Region Equestrians looking for support at the October CRD Trails meeting with where they will be submitting their proposals to Saanich.

Facilities Rental

- No update

Trail Status

- Lara reported a non-jumpable log is down near the 9km mark on main trail on the west side of Elk Lake.

Ring Grooming

- Taken care of for now.

Pre Show Prep:

- Lara and Heather will work together on updating the rental agreement forms to state that renters are responsible for pre and post show cleanup.

Fence Posts/Work Update

- Kristin talked to Jason Teale and he has agreed to complete the repair job of the fencing and posts around the sand ring, not sure when though. It was decided that some clarification is needed on what Jason is agreeing to as far as:
 - The budget – we have a total of \$2000 to go towards this project.
 - Is Jason aware of the hogfuel ring fences as well as the sand ring?
 - Is Jason able and/or willing to do an oil change on the tractor?

Heather sent an email from the meeting to Kristin asking for clarification on these items.

Tractor Servicing

- Jason Teale will be asked if he could do an oil change on the tractor. If Jason is unable to do this, Gillian & Rod have contact info for a mobile tractor repairman as follows: Denson Mobile Mechanic Ltd. (Wayne Rostron) 250-658-8321.

EBLES Fundraising

- Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

- Kristin reported that we should reconsider the winter work party and have a leaf raking spree but nobody at the meeting has the time or energy to organize this.
- Discussion held about possibly locking the sand ring until all the leaves are down to avoid having to rake as often.

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

- Discussion was held about recruiting more volunteers before EBLES dies off and the riding ring and trails are taken away from the horse community. A letter will be drafted and sent out ASAP to as many people as possible regarding the dire need to get more people involved.

BC SOCIETY ACT to be reviewed to keep EBLES up to date on its responsibilities as a society.

NEXT MEETING:

- November 10, 2016 @ 7:00 pm
- Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.