

**EBLES Meeting – Minutes
October 10, 2019**

PRESENT: Dianne McGuire and Claire Vessey

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (Dianne):

- September minutes approved

TREASURERS REPORT (Dianne):

- Pam Pack has said she will not be able to return as Treasurer. We need to find someone to be Treasurer for next year. Dianne will act as Treasurer until then.
- The bank account balance as of October 10 is \$12,973.55
- Revenues: \$310.00 from Appy show, 0.26 interest, \$65 from Working Equitation concession, \$45 unknown.
- Outstanding Hydro bill for 30.43 paid by Dianne
- Expected expenses: the fencing project, CRD year end, and BC Hydro November bill.
- Discussed the need for accounting software and agreed to purchase it. Joanne, Ted and Lara had supported the purchase at the September meeting.
- We need to arrange appraisal and insurance of EBLES assets.

MEMBERSHIP (Dianne):

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- The objective for next year should be to build the membership.
- Victoria Saanich Cadora will include an option to join EBLES on their membership form. Claire will approach LIEC-Dick Nimmons and the Arab Club to see if they will do the same.
- Current membership is about 75 members
- Both LIEC and Cadora are members
- Need to update membership form

FACILITIES: (Kirsten)

- Mark of High Meadows fencing still needs to provide a final quote and two references before he can be awarded contract and start the fencing project.
- The posts along the west side of the sand ring need to be cemented in but not the other posts.
- The Appy club has reported that the footing in the ring is not good for jumping. It is too soft for take off and landing. The Appy club is willing to contribute some money toward replacing the footing. The Appy Club paid EBLES \$1033 this year for use of the ring. If we don't replace the footing, we are likely to lose this revenue.
- We should get 2 or 3 quotes and ask the Appy club to pay half. Heather Cormie's brother may be able to provide one quote.
- Claire will email Kirsten about the small gate into the hog fuel ring which fell off. Someone put it back on, but it needs to be checked.
- The Arab Club said EBLES could clean out their locker and throw everything away. Claire will do this on Saturday.

RENTALS (Claire):

- The Appy Club held 4 shows this year, Heart Horse Healing held 2 events.
- Total rental revenue was \$840, total participant fees were \$805. Together they were \$1645.

FUND RAISING:

- We need about \$2500 to \$3000 a year to operate.
- We should reconsider a Fall Poker ride.

TRAILS:

- No report

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

- We need to find out who is willing to be on the Executive for next year. Ideally, we would have one person from each of the clubs whose members use the ring, i.e. Appy Club, LIEC, Horse Heart Healing, Victoria Saanich Cadora. Claire will give her report on EBLES that she gives to Cadora to the other clubs and ask for a representative. An email should be sent to all member asking for volunteers for the Executive.
- The black binders with the club's history are most likely under the stairs behind a locked door in the announcer's booth.

NEXT MEETING: 7:00 pm, November 14, 2019