

EBLES EXECUTIVE MEETING: April 10, 2026

Meeting was held virtually using Teams

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

APPROVAL OF March 2026 MEETING MINUTES: Approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Balance Forward: \$ 12,145,31

Revenues: Memberships \$175.00

Total Revenue \$175.00

Expenses: BC Hydro \$27.23

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Closing balance: \$12,293.08

Projected revenue: memberships \$210.00

Donations \$50.00

Total expected revenue \$260.00

Projected expenses: Water bill \$250

Reimburse Dianne McGuire
for Diesel fuel, poker rider
permit, printing costs, oil for
weed wacker \$360.00

Reimburse Andy Lafontaine for
Greenhawk gift card, lubricant
for doors, fire hose adapter \$125.00

Gas for pressure washers \$50.00

Pressure washer rental \$ 200.00

Snacks for volunteers \$100.00

Total expenses \$1085.00

Projected Balance: \$11,468.08

MEMBERSHIP:

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP: 50 members consisting of 31 individual,8 family,3 coach,
1 barn,5 lifetime, and 2 Club

Update for online membership form: we got them done. Claire mentioned some of the online forms are duplicating when filled in. Need Adobe pro to fix glitch. Dianne volunteered her sister to assist with fix.

Eventbrite: is back on line and so far seems to be working. Eventbrite may still be using the old membership form, but it will be updated.

Membership drive: Poster not made yet. Will recruit Dianne's Sister to help make it, then post on Facebook. Claire would like to post signs up at barns. Andy has a picture of the gift bag to post in Facebook page to encourage early EBLES membership. Registration for poker ride starts on May 11th. Encourage people to join prior to Poker ride for faster check in time and early prize draw. Andy will post separate posts for membership drive and for poker ride

FACILITIES:

Signage:

- Round pen sign- Dianne's Sister will design sign. The wording will be as follows:

Elk/Beaver Lake Equestrian Society gratefully acknowledges the donation of construction of this round Pen by Tidy Line Farm Fencing, and the funding for materials from the Horse Council of British Columbia and the Capital Regional District

(we will send an email to CRD and to HCBC to ensure that they are ok with being acknowledged on the sign)

-Deferred discussion on sign acknowledging Donors and volunteers for the large ring resurfacing

-Judges booth sign: the new sign will have the same wording that was on previous sign but no picture.

-Announcer's booth sign acknowledging Appy club is looking poorly and needs an upgrade.

Power washing fences:

- Jenny and Dianne cold called membership to recruit volunteers. We need 24 people.

-Andy will post again on Facebook requesting volunteers to make arrangement with Jenny

- need to stagger volunteer times. Jenny has prepared a spread sheet for tasks

-Discussed acquiring some cheap tarps to catch debris from power washing.

- there are 4 hoses at the facility. We can attach a regular hose to the fire hose to access the end of the ring. Andy will bring additional hoses.

-Dianne will pick up rental power washers Friday and will return them before 8:30 am Monday. Saanich Rentals is only charging us for 1 day rental.

- Andy will drop off his pressure washer and hoses.

- If Jenny can get a ride to park at 8 am she can hook everything up and get set up for the day

-Water at facility is already turned on

Rail Replacement:

- the worst ones have been done. Andy will continue to slowly replace individual rails on his own time.

Painting rails:

- discussed timing, August would be ideal for dry weather. Second weekend in August 8th and 9th.

- \$135.00 per day for paint sprayer. Rent 2, and also volunteers to paint with rollers.

-Need to prepare budget for paint. Jennie will get quotes.

-Possible grant through Horse Council. Need to submit application by April 30th.

Tie stall refurbishment deferred.

EVENTS:

Poker ride Sunday May 31st-

- Discussed spreadsheet for approaching businesses for prize donations
- recruit volunteers after power washing party completed. Andy will post on Facebook request for volunteers. Will contact regulars who participate every year.
- Andy will do announcing for riders to claim prizes
- Poker ride poster is updated on Google docs. Need a PDF.

Jane Stone Clinic: July 18th and 19th:

- need to update events calendar with date for clinic
 - \$210 for two day clinic
 - Registration opens May 15 till July 10. Need to start advertising now.
 - Will defer planning, set up, and recruiting volunteers for Jane Stone clinic to a later date
- Ring rentals: no new rentals.

TRAILS:

Report on the condition of the trails: there are a few muddy spots on northern side of lake, otherwise in good shape overall.

OTHER /NEW BUSINESS

Lumber:

- We have 8 foot lengths of 2 by 6's, will build mounting blocks with this lumber
- Also have extra long 2x4s
- There are a few 20 footers. Andy proposes to cut those and install as two 10 footers because much easier to install.

Locker #5 has no key and is unused.

- Proposed to get a new door knob and lock and use this locker for storage of plates/catering supplies.

Four positions open for directors at HCBC

- can we think of anyone we know that might be interested to nominate

Need to stuff envelopes for poker ride at the ring may14th:

-Jenny will inventory what is needed, Claire and Dianne will participate

Andy needs poker ride poster as well as Jane stone poster in PDF format for Facebook postings

Next Meeting: May 14th

Minutes prepared by Michelle Levesque following viewing of recorded meeting