

Meeting Minutes – CVACTA – 3/13/08

Board meeting started by Hollyn Mangione.

- Discussion opened about Mountain Skyline Pony Club Horse Trial at Grayson. The question was raised whether or not points from this show would be applied to the points count for CVACTA. Also, discussion was raised weather to allow volunteer hours to apply toward CVACTA's hours. By a 2 to 9 vote, it was agreed to allow the points but not the volunteer hours. At this time it is not known for sure if this event will happen, but we do know that it is being discussed.
- Molly Armentrout discussed the need for volunteers for the Combined Test, and a sign-up list was passed to members. The final show set up to be on Friday, 3/21.
- The issue of sponsorship was discussed further. Currently, the board has approved sponsorship listing on the website only. *Since the meeting, Laurie Dowling-McIntire has agreed to chair the Sponsorship Committee.*
- It was declared that as a club we are most likely to be eligible for a 501-c7 status. Club members have been identified who have agreed to work on this project starting after the completion of tax season.
- Discussion ensued concerning the formation of the by-laws committee, so that we can pursue USEA Affiliate Status. Motion made by Pat Albertson and seconded by Molly Armentrout to form a by-laws committee. A majority vote was made to form a committee with club representation. *Since this meeting, a nominating committee has been formed and requests for volunteers for the committee have been sent.*
- After discussion of the club's limited budget in response to requests for USEA Affiliation application, Laurie Dowling-McIntire and Pat Albertson volunteered to pay the application fee once the club is eligible to apply.
- The current budget has \$637 and \$400+ coming from Molly from the combined test.
- The next two meetings to be held at the Goochland Library.
 - The April meeting will feature Nancy Covert speaking on Conditioning the Event Horse.
 - The May meeting will feature Eric Bull and Building Portable Cross Country Fences.
- The board discussed meeting locations for the future; the Rockville Library will be the primary meeting place for CVACTA. Gina Sybert made a motion that future changes in meeting venue needs to go to the board for vote. Second made by Pat Albertson. This rescinds the board's original decision made in December about meeting locations.
- Dates for makeup Mock Trials discussed – Possible 5/10 to be checked with Terry Adcock. Gina Sybert will be making arrangements for a new date and will announce this to the membership. She will return checks to previously entered riders but will hold onto paperwork in case they decide to re-enter at the new date.
- Plan is for the newsletter to come out every other month with alternating months to have a Newsflash update – to be put out at the end of the month as a wrap up.

- Membership Poll taken to plan for future activities based on interests.

General meeting started with group notified about the Grayson show followed by a lively discussion on the USEA Rules for Eventing.

Membership poll discussed and distributed for interests to be identified for future events/activities.

The elimination accounts were read to the club and Kristine Slovis was voted to have the most “interesting” elimination story and was awarded the prize of a CVACTA hat.