

Minutes - Treasure Valley Whips  
December 5, 2009 - 2:00 p.m.  
Barbara Cerio's, Caldwell, Idaho

Present at meeting – Amanda Horton, Mary Van De Bogart, Kathy DeLong, Lee Van De Bogart, Cyndi Eaton, Erle D. Eaton, Donna Knipe, Joan E. Lyons, Rose Williams, Cal Clevenger, Daryl Spurgeon, Karole Peterson, Jan McEnroe, Susan Welch, Vic Hill, Barbara Cerio, Robin DeLong.

1. Call to order – 2:31 pm
2. Minutes of October 17, 2009 meeting Barbara motion to approve; Karole 2<sup>nd</sup>; minutes approved.
3. Financial and Membership Report – Joan Lyons moved to accept; Karole 2<sup>nd</sup>; approved.
  - a. Current Balance - \$2,139.82
  - b. Expenditures - \$22.86 – office supplies; \$14.31 newsletter printing; \$8.59 meeting & election printing; expenses ratified.
  - c. Membership report - 10 – 2010 memberships paid up so far.
4. Introduction of any new members and guests – Janice (didn't catch last name); Dusty would like to come; wheelchair access is a problem. See about ramps for next meeting.
5. Correspondence report – card from Cyndi Eaton; thanks for lessons. Contribution to education fund. Letter from ADS thanking club for gift, info on membership benefit & request for donations.
6. Committee reports
  - a. Administrative training, documentation and programming for different competitions. (Horton) powerpoint program on scoring ADT's. Sample book, etc. Excel spreadsheet program for scoring. Will have training session before March ADT. Thanks to Amanda! Thanks to Vic, for the suggestion! Vic suggested having list of members / horses names etc. that would enter automatically. Possibility of notebook for club. Some discussion; will consider at later date. Barbara can teach Excel. Problem on Mac opening attachments?
  - b. Western Idaho Fair committee – on hold pending response.
7. Old Business (Horton & McEnroe)
  - a. Terri Jones Clinic, PDS & Silent Auction – financial report on agenda.
    - i. Report - Thanks to Jan for silent auction! Amanda would like to see proposed budgets & follow-up reports on each club event in the future. Amanda - Motion that we have proposed budget – Barbara seconded . Discussion - would approval be needed for cost overruns? Possibly – amendment (Vic) – planning budget for each event – suggestion that we have at meeting before each event? Motion that prior to competitions or other events a planning budget be presented to the membership at a regular or special meeting. Barbara 2<sup>nd</sup> - approved. Should include fees as well as expenses. – question about determining payment to clinicians – are

fees standard for each clinician? No, each clinician charges their own rates.

8. New Business

- a. Election of Officers – first election for club.
  - i. Nominations – any further nominations? No.
  - ii. Election – counted by Lee. All elected on ballot. Chair (1 year) – Amanda; Vice-chair (1 year) – Barbara; Secretary (2 year) – Vic; Treasurer (1 year) - Kathy DeLong; Newsletter (2 year) - Mary. Amanda will work with new officers. Does club need computer? Some discussion, will be looked into.
  - iii. Special Business – Barbara – year end awards? Points for all events participated in during the year. Motion seconded by Cyndi. Discussion - Joanie – exp with Idaho horse show association - lots of hassle and expense – can turn in to a monster. Earl – recognition will encourage people to participate. Can be changed down the road if necessary. Vic – enjoys atmosphere in this club. Likes Barbara’s approach to awards. Jan – maybe have awards for mileage, etc. for non-competitors. Mary – possibly for volunteers and most-improved driver? Rose – with Joanie; need to consider point secretary, etc. Lots of hassle. Cathy – what about doing on trial basis for a year and see if we like it? Vote at end of year. Friendly amendment – have a committee to consider and come up with proposal for next meeting? Accepted.- Vic second. Barbara – automated score sheets, etc. will make it easy. Wouldn’t take a point secretary, etc. Passed. Barbara will head committee. Donna, Karole, Jan, Vic.

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- a. Acknowledgment and thanks to all the volunteers at the Clinic show and auction. 6<sup>th</sup> show. Thanks for weather; it has been favorable for the show most years.
- b. Membership Director (Horton) Joan Lyons appointed to be the membership chair. Membership will continue to be sent to Joanie who will compile initial list, update the officers, deposit funds and mail out acknowledgement including membership cards. Approved by unanimous consent.

10. Open Forum – Amanda – 2 possible clinicians for suggested for April ADT. Last year’s clinic / ADT together was very successful. Deb Laderoute from Calgary – excellent teacher & competitor at world level; drives multiples. Also Tracy Morgan from Maryland; drives Dartmoor ponies & competes with a pair also competed at the World Championships in Europe. Both are very approachable & kind. Price would be similar. Full cost would be \$125 for lessons; ADT \$100; \$200 for both. Discussion of pricing – is this affordable for club members? Mary – cost is intimidating for beginning drivers. Audits suggested as affordable option; also volunteers get a break. Comparison of cost with other clinics / shows / lessons. Problem with audits – sound system – hard for audience to tell what’s going on. Ask clinician to repeat question? Headphones for driver? Set up

- expectations clearly for clinician. Maybe have a lower-cost clinic? Terri Jones was lower cost . Club could set up beginner clinic easily with our own resources. Possibly in conjunction with playday? Videotape & do DVD's? Video lessons? Would need agreement with clinician. We have lending library. Perhaps phone person could take charge of lending library? Prices seem reasonable to most people. March ADT - looking at hiring local dressage rider to judge dressage. Jan – will we have bombproofing? Yes. 2010 memberships coming due. Barbara – committee for summer planning? Mary, Kathy, Cyndi, Karole, Donna, Jan. (meeting will be Sunday Dec. 13 @ 3 pm at Barbara's) Jan – interest in Driving Orienteering? Mounted Orienteering club is willing to set up an event to include drivers. Several members interested. Amanda - Premise liability needs to be checked on for summer events; homeowners' insurance may not cover competitions. Amanda – suggested we have potluck / free driving day. Susan - New Year's Day drive at Shawnda's; call or e-mail Susan. Telephone committee – Susan Welch nominated. Barbara seconded; passed.
11. Set Next Meeting – January 16th 1:00 pm Barbara's house – bring snacks.  
Barbara moved; Vic seconded; approved.
  12. Adjourned 4:17