

Minutes of 8-29-04 Meeting held at Churchill County Fairgrounds

The meeting was called to order by President Shirley Ruby at 10:20 AM.

We had 59 club members in attendance for this meeting. Great turnout, lots of input!

Sharon Avery reports that the club has \$14,629 in the bank and estimates that the August 27th & 28th show should net an additional \$7,000 to \$9,000 after expenses.

Shirley read the last newsletter and then asked the nominating committee representatives if they had come up with any possible nominees for 2005 officers and directors. Toni Dalluge and Carolyn Greene reported that they had contacted some of the members that would be able to serve if elected, and they are as follows:

President – Gary Avery
Vice President – Gene Young or Donna Carlile
Secretary – Sandi Young
Treasurer – Sheila Plimpton
Director – Carolyn Greene (NV) and Jennifer Aufill (CA)

Sharon Avery thanked all who helped with the barbeque, especially Harry Cumbra for coming to oversee the cooking. Apparently the cucumber salad was the big hit with many of the members wanting the recipe. Harry said that everyone seemed to enjoy the barbeque and thanked all for their effort.

Harry said that NCCC would like to have the 2005 show dates in by December 1st so that date overlaps can be avoided. This year Northern California Paint Horse Club scheduled one of their shows in Red Bluff the day after our June (4) judge P-O-R here in Fallon which proved to be a hardship on many of the exhibitors and hopefully an early schedule will enable all to get acceptable dates.

The discussion was brought up about having the Carson City show next year or moving it to Fallon if the dates are available with the fairgrounds. The members were unanimous in their desire to move the show to Fallon if possible, due to the additional stalling that is available. Sharon Avery will contact the fairgrounds and try to see what dates are available.

Several clubs in NCCC are establishing an award to honor Sharon Bates. The members voted to donate \$100/ year toward this memorial. Also, Sharon Avery would like members to come up with an award to be presented at NPHC in Sharon's honor. Several ideas were brought up ie., Horsemen of the Year Award, Good Sportmans Award, etc. Gwen Russell came up with the Sharon Bates True Grit Award and presented it as a motion, seconded by Janice Casey, motion passed.

Sharon Avery brought up the question of where the awards banquet should be this year. Last year we held it at the Golf Course in Gardnerville, the food was very good, but the banquet room was a bit small to handle the turnout we had, so she was asking for any recommendations from the members. The banquet will again be held around the middle of February so that we don't conflict with the California banquets. Sharon and Shirley will get information on a couple of places and we'll report back.

Don Jackman brought up a question about the meeting requirements and a lively discussion followed. After the initial clamor died down it was decided that for the 2005 season (3) meetings will be held during the horseshows to accommodate the members from out of state. I hope I have this correct as it was changed several times before the final vote – at the June show the meeting will be held on Sunday following the show as we did this year, at the August show the meeting will be held on Friday night after the roping events, and at the October show the meeting will be held during lunch break. Sharon Avery made the motion, the motion was seconded by MANY and was passed.

Sharon also asked members to submit judges names if they wanted to, as we would have to start hiring them soon for next years shows.

Todd and Becky Goodwin volunteered to call Doc Sanders about his letter to Sharon.

Carolyn Greene brought up discussion about the fees for the Leadline class. The entry fees will have to stay in effect for the rest of this year, however, next year the only fees that will apply will be the APHA fees for Leadline. Gwen Russell made the motion, seconded by Janice Casey, motion passed.

Becky Goodwin requested some help in getting the directory set up. Eric Struble said he would be available to help her. Becky said she will need ads camera ready, or if you need her to do the design work there will be a charge of \$200. The deadline for getting your advertisements to Becky will be **December 1st** so that the directories will be ready for the banquet in February. The fees will remain the same as last year to advertise, full page color \$150.00, full page black & white \$75.00 and ½ page \$50.00. Becky really does not want to do the graphic work, so please have your ads camera ready.

Sharon Avery motion to adjourn, Buck Brown seconded the motion.

Sandi Young
Acting Secretary

Here by popular request, the recipe for the famous *Amanda's Cucumber Salad*, submitted by Sharon Avery:

Fry 4 to 6 strips thick bacon cooked crispy..cool..cut or break into small pieces
1 good size Armenian cucumber..cut in half..peel..split in half (if the seeds are course—scoop out and discard..I discard mine), cut cucumber into bite size pieces

Add any or all of the following, or use your imagination;
1 avocado..in bite size pieces, 1 large purple onion or Walla Walla onion cubed and enough cherry or yellow pear tomatoes to add color

Other ingredients you might add: broccoli..green peppers..cauliflower (all cut up in bite size pieces)

At the NPHC BBQ, the dressing was Ranch or Ranch with bacon bits..depending on which bowl you dished out of. I have also used ½ Miracle Whip and ½ ranch and another time tried blue cheese dressing (yuk). Ranch is probably the best choice, add desired amount and serve. I put all the ingredients, except avocado, in a bowl and chill for about an hour and add the dressing and avocado when it's time to serve.

Bon A petit

