

## Minutes of the Region 17 AHA Meeting

October 14, 2014

Coast Hotel, Victoria BC

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2	<p><b>Introduction of Delegates</b></p> <p>Director Terry Johnson called the meeting to order, it was established that a quorum was present. She then asked that everyone introduce themselves</p>																				
3.	<p><b>Host Club Welcome</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sandra Gilbert Stockhausen, President of the Vancouver Island Arabian Horse Association welcomed the delegates and members to Victoria</li> </ul>																				
4.	<p><b>Approval of Agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The agenda was approved as circulated by Sandra GS and seconded by Carla JM</li> <li>• The chair did reserve the option to adjust the agenda order for coffee breaks, lunch etc.</li> </ul>																				
5.	<p><b>Adoption of the Minutes of the spring meeting to the Official books</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The minutes were adopted as circulated moved Gerald McDonald and seconded by Diane Dyck</li> <li>• Approved.</li> </ul>																				
6.	<p><b>Treasurers Report: Karen Caughell</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen presented the Profit &amp; Loss by Class and the Profit &amp; Loss Detail documents for the Regional show to the delegates. A verbal report on the Regions' financial position was provided</li> <li>• Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Region 17 show lost \$6134.95</li> <li>○ Gerald updated the delegates on the Canada Revenue Agency issue: re: GST <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The region has filed for the 2012 year and will be filing shortly for 2013 (march)</li> <li>▪ The credit in GST account triggered this examination. Currently there is a \$4100 credit balance in the GST account</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• The treasurers' report was approved as presented by Karen Caughell and seconded by Carla. Motion passed</li> <li>• It was moved by Diane and seconded by Carla that the treasurer set up designated swing account(s) to separate funds on such things as Stallion auction/ youth funds so that delegates have</li> </ul>																				

	<p>a clear understanding of what money is at the disposal of the Region that is not designated for other activities.</p>
7.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Director reported on the following pieces of correspondence received or that she has dealt with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Letter of thanks from Leanna Marchant for the Regions’ assistance to WEG (World Equestrian Games)</li> <li>○ Western Canadian Breeders thank you for sponsorship</li> <li>○ Request from member : Pam Marchant would like to represent the breed at the Chilliwack Mane Event and requested assistance. (discussion under breed promotion)</li> <li>○ A letter from Kevin Johnston – to be discussed under Show Roundtable Discussion</li> <li>○ The Director will check with Marla re: “under saddle” thank you card</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Directors Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A very successful year for R-17 horses, trainers and exhibitors at Scottsdale, R-4, R-5, R-17, Canadian, Youth and Sport Horse Nationals</li> <li>○ Our Youth director – Katie Johnson was featured on the cover of MAH magazine. Katie was asked to represent AHYA at the American horse Youth Council in Minnesota in March where she provided a talk on fun-draising. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Katie raised \$1500 in the sale of T-Shirts from Trainer and Breeder Sponsorships - \$500 was given to AHYA</li> <li>▪ Sydney Young our new youth director was able to provide the 30+ youth at the Youth Meeting with t-shirts. Sydney did a great job at R – 17 with youth auction (over \$1300 earned); organized the ice Cream social and youth meeting; and running the egg &amp; spoon event (raising another \$1400)</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ In 2015 the new Select Levelling the Playing Field will be available and it is hoped that club shows look into using these classes if appropriate</li> <li>○ Changes have been made to the Sweepstakes program to start in 2015 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Yearlings will be separated into Open &amp; AOTH</li> <li>▪ More AOTR classes will be included</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ As the 2015 convention in non-hosted AHA is looking for ideas to raise \$ to off-set costs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Suggestions of Wall of Fame</li> <li>▪ Spotlight on Stars</li> <li>▪ If interested, contact AHA or the Director</li> <li>▪ There will be a reduced rate if you already have a banner</li> <li>▪ A resolution is coming to convention to include youth memberships to the convention count.</li> <li>▪ Resolution to Convention that the secretary and treasurer terms be made 2 year (presently only the President is a two year term)</li> <li>▪ Resolution #2 Dressage Seat Equitation – do not want to post patterns at regional/national shows</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ AHA now has an AHA Canadian Association – Gerald will discuss with his Canadian national report.</li> <li>○ R-17 Show will be in Calgary in 2015 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A volunteer form will be placed on the website for anyone able to help</li> <li>▪ Personal feedback on this year’s show – great time; love the arena, the youth auction and the welcome party</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The director was unable to attend the august board meeting of AHA</li> <li>○ Sport Horse Nationals will be held September 16 – 21, 2015 in Raleigh North Carolina.</li> <li>○ Total AHA Judges : 275 : R/N – 156</li> <li>○ National Show Attendance for 2014: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Youth budgeted for 800 and this was exceeded</li> <li>▪ Canadian Nationals budgeted for 730 and this was not achieved</li> <li>▪ Sport horse budgeted for 340 and this was exceeded</li> <li>▪ US budgeted for 1750</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Caution to those going to US Nationals – if you are touching or going through Colorado you must have documents to transit through. More information from Gerald on this.</li> </ul>
9	<p><b>Show Commission Report :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marcia was unable to attend and so Rob presented the minutes from the Show commission teleconference that reviewed the R 17 2014 Show. See appendix B</li> <li>• See appendix A: Show Commission Round Table discussion below</li> <li>• Marcia and Darlene’s terms on the Show commission have ended. The Regional Director thanked them for their years’ of work on the Show Commission</li> <li>• Delegates elected Gail Tory as the show commission representative for Manitoba and Darlene as the Commissioner-at-large</li> </ul>
10	<p><b>Directory Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please read enclosed report from Karen</li> <li>• Overall profit of \$1429.20</li> <li>• 10 ads less than 2013</li> <li>• If interested in providing an ad please have all of the information to Karen by November 14<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>
11	<p><b>Youth Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please read enclosed report from Sidney Young and Katie Johnson</li> </ul>
12	<p><b>Youth Teams Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please read enclosed report received from Kimberly Toye</li> <li>• Reminders that all tally sheets are to be sent to Kimberly by November 1, 2014.</li> <li>• Sandra Mann presented the Team Tournament report (please read this report attached)</li> <li>• Youth Team Tournament Award Recognition Guidelines were presented <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Moved by Cam and seconded by Sandra Mann to adopt these guidelines.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• For this year Gerald has offered to pay for the Reserve Awards up to \$600. Thanks to Gerald</li> </ul>
13	<p><b>Youth Scholarship</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Moved by Gerald and seconded by Cam to table this report until the next meeting</li> </ul>
14	<p><b>Western Canadian Breeders</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report was presented by Tex Kam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 105 horses - Canadian owned not necessarily Canadian bred</li> <li>○ Identified Canadian bred horses in the prize list with a maple leaf insignia</li> <li>○ Susan Fyfe won the Breeder Cup &amp; the \$1000 prize</li> <li>○ Incorporated the Horse Tail program with over 500 kids participating in the literacy program. There was also a horse showcased outside of the Sheraton hotel</li> <li>○ Saturday night extravaganza had approximately 1500 people in attendance</li> <li>○ Dates are an issue as there are so many other regional shows around the same time. Participants have to choose although many say they would like to participate in WCB</li> <li>○ <a href="http://www.wcbreeders.ca">http://www.wcbreeders.ca</a> for a copy of the prize list.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

15	<p><b>Canadian Nationals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gerald presented the report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fewer horses than budgeted 682 entered; VS was present in Texas and Colorado so horses from these states could not show unless they were out of state for the incubation period</li> <li>○ Hunter/jumper numbers increased</li> <li>○ Sport horse numbers were down slightly</li> <li>○ Re: Brandon facility – a new contract for 2015 – 2016 was signed</li> <li>○ Still pressuring for a new building</li> <li>○ Next year’s show is August 17 – 22, 2015</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Please have members complete the survey</li> </ul>
16	<p><b>Breed Promotion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Battle of the Breeds: Terry read a report from Sarah Ingram <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A late spring snowstorm postponed tryouts</li> <li>○ Freak snow storm at spruce meadows caused mass panic</li> <li>○ 2014’s Battle was geared towards western world with 2 trail events and 1 barrel racing event</li> <li>○ Team Arabian came home with a very safe 4<sup>th</sup> lace in barrel racing</li> <li>○ 5<sup>th</sup> place in trail (Katelyn Carter got an individual 2<sup>nd</sup> on the first day and a 1<sup>st</sup> on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day)</li> <li>○ Disappointingly the event was moved to a ring in far back of the facility due to the postponed classes from the snow storm so that spectators were greatly reduced.</li> <li>○ Last year of Spruce Meadows Battle of the Breed</li> <li>○ A Battle will be held at the Royal West starting in October 2015 – sponsorship from R. 17 is requested</li> </ul> </li> <li>• A request for financial assistance for the Chilliwack Mane Event was received. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion ensured included</li> <li>○ The breed promotion committee developing an application process</li> <li>○ Suggestions of caps and budgets</li> <li>○ Tex Kam volunteered to be part of this committee</li> <li>○ Tex suggested that the horse industry should be approached for support.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
17	<p><b>Stallion Auction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sold 7 breedings in 2013 and 6 in 2014</li> <li>• Main problems have to do with the difficulty of shipping semen to Canada</li> <li>• 2015 will be the first year of the performance classes</li> <li>• The question posed is : how do we grow this Auction?</li> <li>• Committee members are being solicited. If interested, please contact Nicki Muller</li> </ul>
18	<p><b>High Point Awards:</b> Karen see attached report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forms are found on the website</li> <li>• Received deadline is December 31st</li> </ul>
19	<p><b>Equine Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terry reported that the Canadian Saddle Seat team won bronze in the 3 &amp; 5 gaited</li> <li>• 2016 south Africa – amateurs interested please talk to Terry about the try outs</li> <li>• Terry talked about EC memberships being tied to provincial organization</li> <li>• Terry has asked us all to watch for the survey on mandatory helmet use and complete it</li> </ul>

20	<p><b>Old Business</b></p> <p>1. Ratification of Constitution</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. The motions below indicate the page by page review that the delegates did of the constitution. The constitution is posted to indicate these changes.</p> <p>Moved by Karen and seconded by Diane</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(i) Page 2 under Bylaws 1) iii :</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. delete secretary and treasurer,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b. add in past Director and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">c. delete “if applicable</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">d. add iv) The Executive of Region 17 will be made up of the Regional Director, the Vice Director, the Secretary, Treasurer and the most recent Past Director.</p> <p>Moved by Sandra and seconded by Gerald</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(ii) Page 2 under bylaws 5)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">i. To delete “the amount of the annual membership dues shall be determined at the annual general meeting. Dues shall be payable upon payment of the individual voting membership to the affiliate member club, and prior to June 30. Dues shall not be prorated for any portion of a year.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">ii. Add AHA in the next line after member’s and before dues</p> <p>Moved by Marla and seconded by Nicki</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(iii) Page 2 under Bylaws</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. Delete all of 6) i) and add “a member who fails to pay any debt due or owing to the society or any member not in good standing with AHA is not in good standing with R. 17</p> <p>Moved by Diane and seconded by Carla to</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(iv) Remove Page 3 under bylaws iv)iii) “or has been a member not in good standing for three (3) consecutive months.</p> <p>Moved by Cam and seconded by Carla</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(v) Page 4 8) delete the full statement</p> <p>Moved by Sandra and seconded by Betty</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(vi) Under meeting of members 11)10)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">i. To change 75% or any ten members to 60% and delete the word “eligible” before Board of Delegates</p> <p>By consensus the delegates agreed to not accept the changes in:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(vii) Under “Proceedings at General meetings” (iii)</p> <p>By consensus the delegates agreed to not accept eh changes in:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(viii) Under “Proceedings at General meetings” 17/16 quorum of 50% + 1</p> <p>Moved by Gerald and seconded by Marla</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(ix) Under directors and Officers (line 25) to accept the addition of “at the AGM held in odd numbered years” after the word ballot</p> <p>Amended by Karen and seconded by Sandra</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(x) That under Directors and Officers line 27 should read “(i) where a vacancy occurs of the elected vide director, the Regional Director may appoint a member as Vice Director to fill the vacancy</p> <p>Amended by Katie and seconded by Marla that under the section “seal” to read</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(xi) The common seal shall be affixed only when authorized by the Regional Director.</p> <p>By consensus the delegates agreed to not accepted the changes in:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(xii) Borrowing line 39</p>
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	<p>2. Ratify Show Commission Policy:  Moved by Cam and seconded by Gerald that  (i) Under Terms of Office to add “if there is no candidate from a provincial vacancy then this will be filled with a candidate-at-large  Gerald moved and Betty seconded that the document be approved with the above change. Motion carried</p> <p>3. Ratify Budget Committee Policy  Moved by Karen and seconded by Gerald to not accept the changes as suggested. Document remains unchanged</p> <p>4. Ratify Youth Director &amp; coordinator Terms of Reference  Moved by Cam and seconded by Bob. Carried</p> <p>5. Judges Selection Committee Terms of Reference. No changes. Accepted by the Delegates</p>
21	<p><b>Club memberships</b>  - No updates</p>
22	<p><b>Club show Dates for 2015</b>  - Please submit your planned show dates to the Regional Director so that these can be posted on the website</p>
23	<p><b>Next meeting:</b> Calgary, March 21, 2015 meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.</p>

## Appendix A: Notes from Round Table Discussion

1. What would make people come to the Regional show
  - Sport horse gets short end of stick and we feel like 2<sup>nd</sup> class participants. SH should stay inside
  - Amateurs don't feel they have a voice
  - Big problem with the prizes
    - a. ½ size of the trophy
    - b. Lack of championship ribbons
    - c. plaques with the wrong dates
  - discussions need to happen with Calgary Stampede re: changes needed:
    - a. no lunging areas
    - b. outdoor warm up
  - we have to build corporate sponsorships
  - advertise that this is the last chance to qualify for Cdn Nationals
  - Scheduling
    - a. Condense and shorten the horse show
    - b. What's the stabling plan for growth?
    - c. We need input/info from the show commission on the select distribution list
  - We thought that Calgary Stampede's marketing department was to help market the show
  - There was great confusion over the parking/re entry fees

## Appendix B: Minutes from Show Commission Teleconference

Agenda item	Discussion related to 2014 show	Suggestions for 2015 show
1. 2014 Show	Prize list and Scheduling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 181 horses entered</li> <li>- Budgeted for 230</li> <li>- 218 classes</li> <li>- 28 classes with no entries</li> <li>- 28 classes with 1 horse entered</li> <li>- 36 classes with 2 horses</li> <li>- Sport horse paid for itself</li> <li>- A few negative comments about the hazing of halter horses</li> <li>- The Centre ring had to be disassembled for classes</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Be conservative in budget numbers for horse entries</li> <li>2. Suggest alternatives :               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Combining classes</li> <li>b. Any classes with 2 or less horses this year to be a TBA or fully sponsored the following year</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Suggested to get rid of the ½ Arab stallion class</li> <li>4. Suggest combining the stallion amateur/open</li> <li>5. Suggest combining the filly/colts yearling class</li> <li>6. The warm up area should be exempt of horses except for the halter horses. Once the halter horses are in the ring, the other horses can come in – then they are not exposed to the hazing</li> <li>7. Make sure the schedule allows for such classes as reining or dressage to be completed before Centre ring is built</li> <li>8. Work on a 2<sup>nd</sup> ring – but should the weather be inclement we know that we can do it with the present set up</li> <li>9. Warm up ring – discussions with the fire marshal regarding the surround.</li> </ol>
2. Awards	2 issues: Prize list : stated that there would be a champion garland and ribbon Shipping/Storage – Jan McKim received a different sponsorship level for bringing out the	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. Suggest providing a champion ribbon (\$3.75 each)</li> <li>11. Is there a way of acknowledging in kind sponsorships etc.?</li> </ol>

	ribbons. Laurie Mostovich has arranged for storage at her husband's business	Random draws were appreciated
3. Facility	<p>1. Catering and Concessions: enjoyed by all; poor hours – closed by 1400</p> <p>2. Security – issues – especially the first few days – however this has also happened at other facilities</p> <p>3. Medic services – hired for Hunter over Fences for a 4 hour period. Susan Fyfe had agreed to be on site nurse</p> <p>4. Rings: main ring – great ; concern regarding the surrounds in the warm up ring – it was stated that there needed to be a perimeter for a fire exit</p> <p>5. Centre Ring: furniture was filthy; mess up with electrical and music set up; walkie talkies to communicate winners</p> <p>6. Cleanliness – garbage everywhere</p> <p>7. Media coverage: excellent</p> <p>8. Parking : great confusion between entrants and CS parking staff</p>	<p>12. Negotiate with Calgary Stampede that the hours be longer so that people can enjoy the food</p> <p>13. CS Security needs to get going as soon as horses arrive</p> <p>14. There are security issue concern with the arena being opened at night</p> <p>15. Review schedule to make sure that there is enough time – the 4 hours was not sufficient but the medic was able to stay longer at the hourly rate</p> <p>16. Cam to speak with CS/Fire Marshal to see if the surrounds can be removed. This will also realize about 8 additional feet in the warm up ring</p> <p>17. Outdoor ring – needs to be prepared properly</p> <p>18. Centre ring – electrical and computer hook ups for music</p> <p>19. CS now realizes the problem; garbage containers were to be positioned differently; they need to realize that although the CS has just ended, they have to focus on keeping our area cleaner than it was this year</p> <p>20. Possibly have something prior to the show rather than just the on-the-day coverage to build hype</p> <p>21. Clarify the parking process. Have this outlined in prize list. Speak to CS about the staff in the parking kiosks</p>



		<p>as to their “politeness” to the exhibitors</p> <p>Continue to work with Calgary Stampede marketing department for ads prior to the show to get the public out</p>
4. Officials and Personnel	<p>1. Photographer – wifi issues - \$250 for wifi hookup. He wanted 5 but ended up with 3</p> <p>2. Stewards Reports – no concerns – some suggestions for changes</p>	<p>22. We will probably need to find a new photographer as Don Stine did not make enough money</p> <p>23. Review stewards reports for possible changes to benefit the show</p>
5. Program	No issues this year	24. No recommendations for next year
6. Patron/Sponsorship Program	<p>1. Special applause to Barb Prowse</p> <p>2. Commercial exhibits were up</p> <p>3. All of the new incentives were seen as very positive</p>	25. Barb will follow up with the commercial exhibitors if their goals were achieved and possibility of returning next year
7. Extracurricular Activities	<p>1. Welcome Party – very well received</p> <p>2. Dog Races – well received. Special thanks to the gift sponsors</p> <p>3. Opening ceremonies - Flags were incorporated into centre ring and were not carried by flag bearers. National anthems were taped</p> <p>4. Stallion Auction – not part of the show but suggestion to highlight it more</p> <p>5. Youth auction – not part of the show but suggestion to highlight it more</p> <p>6. SC Gifts to R 17 – well appreciated</p>	<p>26. Ask CS if a welcome party next year is possible</p> <p>27. Suggestion that the dog race be run in the main arena around supper time so that more people can be in the stands and watch the event</p> <p>28. Suggestion for stallion and youth auctions that banners be hoisted; clearer time lines so there is no confusion for bidders</p> <p>29. Continue with the appreciation gifts</p>
8. Host Hotels	1. While the Delta is a good location its cost is prohibitive	30. Look at other options