

**SOUTH OKANAGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**January General Monthly Meeting**  
**Date: January 8, 2008**  
**Place: Penticton High School, Room 210**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 7:36 pm by President Sasha Hopp.

**ATTENDANCE**

Tamora Tuhkala, Jeremy Davy, Gwen Shaw, Alex MacRae, Angela Hook, Elsen den Boer, Barb den Boer, Chris Seibeck, Lua Warkentin, Steven Hopp, Sasha Hopp, Shawne Street, Melanie Gutsell.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda by Gwen Shaw, seconded by Lua Warkentin. Carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Motion to approve November General Meeting Minutes by Steven Hopp, seconded by Lua Warkentin. Carried.

Motion to approve November Special Meeting Minutes by Gwen Shaw, seconded by Barb den Boer. Carried.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Nothing at this time.

**TRESURER'S REPORT**

It was noted by Barb den Boer that the financial report given at the November General Meeting had \$70 paid out for the Rodeo Grounds sign, rather than the \$45 dollars which was in the Minutes. A copy of the financial report will be emailed out to club members/board of directors to review once this and other changes have been made (including adding the year end prize expense).

\$153 to Sasha Hopp for SOLR  
\$21.83 to Sasha Hopp for Coffee and Snacks for meeting  
\$124.61 to Lua Warkentin for Misc. expenses  
\$81.60 to Skaha Sound for Microphone repairs  
\$81.36 to Tamora Tuhkala for Show Programs

Motion by Jeremy Davy that we upgrade our photocopy card at the UPS Store to 1000 copies for \$56 including tax, seconded by Barb den Boer. Carried.

Motion by Jeremy Davy that we repay all bills submitted and to be listed in minutes, seconded by Chris Seibeck. Carried.

## **CORRESPONDANCE**

Letter from Agur Lake Camp Society about becoming a “Friend of Agur Lake Camp”. Motion by Alex MacRae for SOHA to become “Friends of Agur Lake” as outlined in their correspondance to SOHA dated Jan 8, 2008, seconded by Jeremy Davy. Carried. Lua Warkentin to proceed with sending in our information.

Motion by Chris Seibeck for SOHA to join with the Oliver Riding Club to host a TREC clinic in Penticton on February 24<sup>th</sup>. There is no cost for the clinic and we are only responsible for the cost of the room and coffee. Seconded by Lua Warkentin. Carried. Discussion about possibly having it at the Soccer Club Room (Kings Park). Melanie Gutsell to call to book the room.

HCBC sent information on possible funding opportunities.

Freathy family sent a thank you letter for the 2007 show season.

Angela Hook is having a Solo show for her wire sculpture this spring (April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008). She offered to let us have SOHA members at the opening as a membership drive and to raise awareness for the Rodeo Grounds Development. Angela offered to donate 20% of all sales to us to help with the Rodeo Grounds Fundraising (and 20% will be going to the Art Gallery). Motion by Lua Warkentin to offer to be a liaison for the SOHA with the Summerland Art Gallery Solo Show for Angela Hook.

She also mentioned creating a calendar as a fundraiser for the Rodeo Grounds for 2009. Two ideas were discussed: a “Cowboys of the SOHA”, and a “Horses of the SOHA” calendar. Motion by Melanie Gutsell to proceed with the Calendar fundraiser, and that she will be a liaison with Angela Hook on behalf of SOHA and keep SOHA updated, seconded by Chris Seibeck. Carried.

Sasha Hopp will email out to members to ask for pictures for the website (and possibly for use in a “Horses of the SOHA” calendar.

## **BUSINES ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Meeting Room: Melanie Gutsell mentioned that she would check the availability of the Soccer Club Room (Kings Park) to use for Monthly Meetings.

Rodeo Grounds: Gwen Shaw talked to Dale McDonald about an agreement between the Corporation of Summerland and the SOHA about the monies raised to go towards the Rodeo Grounds Development. The Corporation will hold the funds for us, but we would be able to pull them out if development did not proceed as planned. We are waiting to hear from Ken Ostradt.

Motion by Gwen Shaw that she issues a personal check to SOHA for all funds raised from the Dancing Andalusion Fundraiser. SOHA will hold funds until an agreement is drawn up between SOHA and the Corporation of Summerland whereby the funds will be held with the Corporation for the Rodeo Grounds development. Seconded by Jeremy Davy. Carried.

Constitution: To be emailed to the board and reviewed before the February Monthly Meeting and post on our website on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Barb den Boer offered to help.

Motion by Alex MacRae that Barb den Boer be added to the Constitution Committee, seconded by Elsen den Boer. Carried.

Gaming and Lotteries: Laura Dean was not present at the meeting, but did supply a written update. We had to reissue the tickets and put a notice in the Western Newspaper. All people that have tickets, please

send them in to Gwen Shaw to have them reissued with the appropriate information on them. Tamora Tuhkala will post information on the website as well.

Missing Money: Lua Warkentin has attempted to contact our accounts receivable, with no response. As well, money that went missing from last Ian Tipton clinic was discussed. Discussion followed on how to deal with this and prevent it in the future. Lua suggested we make payment due before the clinic begins, and accept checks instead of cash. For our accounts receivable from clinic, Lua Warkentin will wait 60 days, and then write a letter to act as a statement and invite her to look at options to pay.

## **REPORTS**

None at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chris Seibeck submitted a list of possible judges for the 2008 show season. Tamora Tuhkala will look into fees and availability of these judges for the February Monthly Meeting.

Volunteers are needed for this year to fill numerous positions. Some of the positions available are: Halloween Show Prizes, Show Coordinator (English and Western), Show Secretary (English), Volunteer Coordinator, Clinics Coordinator,

People who have offered to volunteer already: Lua Warkentin for Western day Show Secretary, Alex MacRae for Spirit of Life Ride, Sasha Hopp for Newsletter, Tamora Tuhkala for Website Maintenance, Jeremy Davy for Concession Coordinator, Laura Dean for English Show Day Announcer, and for general helping at horse shows – Albert and DJ Warkentin, and Hazel and Holly Dean.

Keys to Rodeo Grounds Shed: Discussion of who should hold keys for this year (2008). Jeremy Davy/Tamora Tuhkala (1), Gwen Shaw (1) and Sasha Hopp (will hold remaining keys).

Show Programs: Sasha Hopp brought a suggested class list and collected more possible changes. Any other ideas and changes to prize list, rules, etc – please forward to Sasha Hopp and she will bring a revised version to the February Monthly Meeting for approval. We need to agree on the prize list for the points shows at the February Monthly Meeting so we can get the programs in to HCBC for our show permits.

Tamora Tuhkala and Jeremy Davy offered to print all the 2008 show programs (200 per show, 5 shows this year). Motion by Steven Hopp to allow Tamora Tuhkala and Jeremy Davy to print the 2008 SOHA Show programs (200 per show, 5 shows per year) at their own expense in exchange for allowing them half a page of the programs for advertising of their personal companies. Seconded by Alex MacRae. Carried.

Discussion on Luis Rodriquez maybe doing a clinic, lesson or event, and a suggestion was made to even have him judge a fun show.

Sasha Hopp suggested and offered to get a card for Janet Steen of Horses Rock Tack Shop in thanks for the discount on our Year End Prizes for 2007.

Marlene Parrot payment mix-up: She paid an expense for the Spirit of Life Ride (SOLR) and did not get paid back in a timely manner. Sasha Hopp has paid Marlene for her expense. Cheryl Murphy has declined continuing to submit articles to Saddle Up and has not renewed her SOHA membership because of this.

Motion by Chris Seibeck to have SOHA reimburse Sasha Hopp for her payment of SOLR expense to Marlene Parrot, and for that reimbursement to be repaid to SOHA upon collection of funds at the 2008 SOLR. Seconded by Melanie Gutsell. Carried.

Barb den Boer and Alex MacRae discussed how SOLR and SOHA can deal with funds for the SOLR. Volunteers must know that all receipts should be submitted BEFORE the day of the SOLR or they will NOT be reimbursed.

Parades and Drill Teams: Alex MacRae talked about practicing for parades that SOHA enters into. Dates and times of these practices to be announced. As well, there was a suggestion to enter the parade with a "theme" this year.

Meetings: Meeting times were discussed. Motion by Gwen Shaw to have the Summer meetings (May, June, July, August, September) start at 7:30pm, but the Winter meetings (January, February, March, April, October, November, December) start at 7:00pm. Seconded by Shawne Street. Carried.

Ian Tipton Clinics for 2008: Alex MacRae talked about locations and dates. We are the only place he will be doing clinics and Alex suggested holding one early this year - March 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, but we need to use a covered arena. Topic tabled to next meeting.

Steven Hopp motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:50pm.

Next meeting will be February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 7:00pm, to be held at the Penticton High School, Room 210.