

# East Central Regional Horse and Rodeo Committee

## January 29, 2011 Minutes

### Present

Bernard McGowan, Killam Light Horse	Wendy Dunkle, Paintearth Multi Club
Holly Kropinski, Shania Kropinski, Neutral Hills Rodeo Wranglers	
Sharon Kelts, Neutral Hills Rodeo Wranglers	Laura McGowan, Killam Light Horse
Donna Brink, Hanna Rangeland Multi Club	Heather Pedersen, Hanna Rangeland Multi Club
Clara Nibourg, Halkirk Hicks 4-H Rodeo Club	Melody Neufeld, Halkirk Hicks 4-H Rodeo Club
Janet Kerr, 4-H Office	Lee Creasy, Coronation Range Riders
Kym Lawrence, Big Valley Rusty Spurs	Karen Sorensen, Big Valley Rusty Spur

Meeting called to order at 10:07 am, Shania Kropinski led the 4-H Pledge, those present introduced themselves.

### Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Sharon Kelts moved, Laura McGowan seconded that the minutes be adopted as circulated.

**Treasurer's Report** - distributed, and discussed. Concern over the loss of 481.87 on the rodeos of 2010. Lee will look into whether Coronation paid their part of the expenses.

### 2010 Clinics

#### *Killam Light Horse*

Laura McGowan reported on two clinics that their club hosted on April 17/18 and May 8/9. The clinician was Dustin Grams. The first was Horsemanship only and the second moved onto introduction to reining. They had 12 and 16 riders and it was a good 2 weekends. The cost was \$ 75 per person. Dustin is a good instructor, breaking down the steps for member to complete and he doesn't miss any steps.

#### *Halkirk Hicks*

Clara Nibourg reported that they had Rick and Chris Anderson do a rodeo events clinic for their club and it was very well received. The members learned and had a good time.

### 2010 Rodeos

They had 4 good days with Gooseberry Lake as the first rodeo. They had a good turnout with about 60 kids. Halkirk was the location of the second rodeo and it was a 2 day rodeo. The members enjoyed camping over night. It was a bit muddy. Coronation hosted the final rodeo.

**Regional Light Horse Show** - none in 2010

**Regional Training Events** - Level Assessment Clinic w/ Muffy Knox on Oct 29 & 30. Well attended, excellent example of different levels were provided, and well hosted.

### Horse Classic

East Central members did well at the event in 2010. Mackenzie Sorenson of Big Valley was first and Desiree Kelts from Neutral Hills second in the youngest age category of Hippology. Mykayla Sorenson

represented Alberta on the Hippology team that went to Denver in early January. Other team members were Lauren Crick and Lindsey Salomons from Lacombe and Amanda Hughes from Calmar. The team was 6<sup>th</sup> in Team Problem, 7<sup>th</sup> in Exams, and 9<sup>th</sup> in ID Stations. Amanda was 9<sup>th</sup> place individual in Exams.

### **Provincial Training Events**

Nothing to report

### **Provincial Equine Advisory Committee Report**

**Trainers Clinic** - Held in March at Olds. EXCELLENT opportunity, and well attended. Everyone learned something, had a great time, and got to know each other better. Thanks to the organizers for this!

**PELF** is set for February 10-12, 2012 at the 4-H Centre. If anyone has any session ideas, possible instructors, etc please forward them to Janet. Lee shared his experience at the 2010 PELF.

**Leader Training Workshop** - PEAC is looking into having Daniel Stewart in for a clinic in July. Daniel focusses on making better horses out of better riders. If anyone has other ideas, let Janet know!

### **Project Book Updates**

### **Other Business**

**Provincial Horse Show** - Linda Gooch and her band of merry 4-H people did an excellent job! The show had fabulous prizes, an excellent venue, and was very well attended and well run!

**Equine Policy** - Looking into the helmet policy. A survey is being developed and should be ready soon. It will arrive by email.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Election of officers**

**Chairman** - Sharon nominated Bernie McGowan, Wendy seconded Wendy ceased nominations, **Bernie remains as Chairman**

**Vice Chairman** - Kym nominated Lee Creasey, seconded by Holly. Wendy moved nominations cease. **Lee Creasy vice chairman by acclamation.**

**Secretary/ Treasurer** - Wendy nominated Kym Lawrence. Sharon seconded. Nominations ceased. **Kym remains as Secretary/Treasurer**

**PEAC reps** - The PEACE reps are **Bernie McGowan, Kym Lawrence, Lee Creasey, Debbie Ganser, and Heather Pedersen**

### **Clinics**

Killam Light Horse will be hosting a Dustin Grams clinic in April/May.

More information from Bernie

BVRS will be hosting a Flattop Horsemanship clinic on March 19/20 in the Big Valley Area. Cost is \$100/4h member. Contact Shirley Woods at 403.742.6013 for more information

Coronation will possibly hold a Steer Riding Clinic. Call Lee!

Send ALL clinic information to Janet by February 25, 2011

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### **Regional Show/Fun Day**

Much discussion revealed that the biggest reason for this event is to bring together the members from the region. It is strongly felt that our region needs this so many ideas were presented. It is thought that more of a "fun" day would help accomplish this.

The Big Valley Rusty Spurs have taken this on for 2011 with the Paintearth Multi willing to pitch in to help! More information will be available soon!!!

### **Charity Rides**

Remember Circle Square in September, STARS ride in August at Tolman Bridge, Rumsey, and Castor Rodeo Club Trail Ride in July!!!

### **Rodeos Dates**

June 4/5, 2011, Halkirk Hicks

June 25/26, Neutral Hills (They will have a two day show if other clubs are not interested in hosting a rodeo)

**Rules** - Discussion on members who are not doing a recognized equine project competing at rodeos. Clara Nibourg made a motion that all members **must** present their current year record book for the project horse(s) they are using for the rodeo as well as a level assessment sheet, signed by their horse project leader at the time of entry payment. Seconded by Karen Sorensen, **carried**.

Moved that members may substitute another horse for their project horse if the member can provide a veterinary certificate or written permission from their 4-H leader. During the rodeo, if a horse becomes lame, the host rodeo committee may allow a substitution. Seconded. **Carried**.

Moved that members who participate in steer riding must have had instruction in steer riding and provide written proof either with a certificate of completion from the school or a completed and signed assessment sheet from the 4-H Rodeo Project Book. **Carried**

**Prizes.....**Sharon enquired about having different high point prizes other than Buckles. Most felt buckles were the most appreciated by members. Clubs are required to find sponsors for the buckles as follows:

Hanna Range Riders - 1 sponsor

Big Valley Rusty Spurs - 2 sponsors

Halkirk Hicks - 6 sponsors, 1 hi-point sponsor

Coronation Range Riders - 2 sponsors, 1 hi-point sponsor

Neutral Hills - 5 sponsors, 1 hi-point sponsor

Stettler Silver Stars - 3 sponsors

Killam Light Horse - 1 sponsor

Regular sponsorship is \$125.00, hipoint sponsorship is \$150.00

Please forward payment to Kym Lawrence, Box 56, Big Valley, AB T0J 0G0

**Future Provincial Training** - If you have an idea or ideas for future clinics, etc... get in touch with Janet...

### **Any Other Business**

Lunch... Kym moved to pay Janet \$88.41 for meeting lunch. Lee seconded, carried.

## Adjournment

Bernie declared the meeting adjourned at 1:48 pm.

DATES TO REMEMBER~!!

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
February 21	Multi Species Judging – Killam
March 19/20	Marty Gartner Horsemanship Clinic – Levels 1 – 6 \$ 100 per member – lunch provided, 2 sessions per day
April 2	Multi Species Judging – Veteran
April 16	Multi Species Judging – Czar
April 29 – May 1	Mane Event, Red Deer
June 4/5	Rodeo – Halkirk
June 25	Rodeo – Gooseberry Lake
July 16 (T)	Alliance Horse Show
July 27 – 29	Horse Classic – Olds
August 9 – 11	Provincial Horse Show – Olds
August 12	Hanna Ag Society Horse Show
August 20 (T)	Castor Horse Show
September 10	Little Britches Rodeo – Hanna?
September 17 – 18	Calgary Stampede 4-H Rodeo
Feb 10 – 12, 2012	Provincial Equine Leaders' Forum (PELF) – Alberta 4-H Centre