

PEAC Meeting
Stettler Office, May 17, 2012

1. Call to order at 10:31

2. Pledge

3. Introductions

In attendance were Ruth Maciborski (WC), Connie Kluczny (WC), Lee Carothers (EC/Horse Classic), Jimilee Chostner (EC/Horse Classic), Teresa Russian (South), Ken Schmuland (NW), Bernard McGowan (EC), Laura McGowan (EC), MaryLou Tainsh (Calgary), Linda Gouch (Calgary), Heather Pedersen (EC), Yvonne Churko (NE), Stacy Murray (4-H Office), Amanda McGregor (NW), Corine Verbeek (NW), Laurie Fisher (Peace), Tina Finch (Peace), Yvonne Yaremicio (4-H Office), Lyanne Almborg (Prov Council)

4. Additions to agenda: #6, before New Business - Fall mail out

#7 under New Business – PEAC clinic

#8 under New Business – Equine Projects

#9 under New Business – Multi Region Clubs

Corine moved we adopt the agenda with these additions.

Yvonne C seconded

Carried

5. Review of Minutes of October 20, 2011

Report from Northwest was not included as well as report from the South.

Teresa moved the minutes be adopted as circulated.

Corine seconded

Carried

6. Handouts were circulated to be reviewed to determine if they should be included in the fall handout or linked to the website. Animal Council handout includes a lot of info. If it is useful it should probably be linked.

Old Business

1. Reports

a) Regional:

Southern

Hosted multi judging in Brooks in February and Claresholm in April.

Train the trainer, level 1-3, with Muffy Knox in Claresholm in March

Regional Horse Show Committee busy preparing for Regional Show in August and we will incorporate 2 learning days at the show.

Several clubs from Southern Region attended Mane Event and really enjoyed the 4-H sessions.

Submitted by Teresa Russian

East Central

East Central held multi-species judging workshop and competition on February 20th, 2012. A total of 65 members attended Judging classes of miniature horses, Quarter Horses, Angus bulls, engine parts, chickens and puppies.

We are planning 5 rodeo days this year. Halkirk Hicks is hosting a rodeo on June 2nd and 3rd. Stettler Silver Stars is hosting on June 9th. Neutral Hills is hosting a rodeo on June 23rd and 24th. Killam 4-H Light Horse Club hosted a horsemanship clinic from Dustin Gram's on April 7th and April 21st.

Of Big Valley Rusty Spurs at Donalds Arena on May 18th to 21st.

Submitted by Laura and Bernie McGowan

Calgary

Getting ready for 4H on Parade, June 1-3 at Calgary Stampede. Celebrating the Stampedes 100th anniversary. Have increase in numbers with 154 horses coming.

Also organizing our Regional Horse being held in Olds, AB. July 28, 29 and 30

4-H Stampede Rodeo is being held early this year because of construction down at the Stampede grounds. The rodeo is open to all kids and there are clinics held throughout the weekend. It will be held at Olds College, Olds, AB, Aug 26th and 27th.

Northeast

Quiet winter

Planning Regional Horse camp and show

Northwest

Registration is complete for Regional Show at Focus on 4-H all done on-line,

Participants are up in all project areas total of 270 members.

We have 146 horses registered with 141 different classes.

Planning is underway for an equine learning day for next year.

Submitted by Corine Verbeek, Ken Schmuland and Amanda McGregor

Peace

Having caught up with the clubs in my area they have no concerns at this point to bring to PEAC.

With the nice weather finally here they are excited about getting outside to ride.

We had a leader in our region that showed an interest in putting on a Regional Horse Show but due to time restrictions she had said this year is a bust but she would try for 2013.

The new helmet law was not received well at the start but is now a standard routine and families are on board and now believe it is a good idea.

Submitted by Laurie Fisher and Tina Finch

West Central

We have finished our "Biting Manual" (copy for review) and distributed copies to all our club leaders. It can be accessed from the 4-H website.

We have had 3 horse shows this spring:

March 31 in Ponoka (@ the new Agriplex – WOW) – 50 entries

May 6 in Benalto – 70 entries

May 12 in Rocky Mtn House – 93 entries

No clinics planned for fall – ideas from clubs to be brought to our next meeting.

We implemented a "Body Score" ruling to our regional rules. It gives the leader/judges/etc. the right to withdraw a horse from a regional competition if it is body scored 4 or less or at the discretion of the committee.

Preparing for our Regional Horse Show to be held June 1-3 in Red Deer. Total number of entries is 250.

Our next Regional meeting is June 12, 2012.

Submitted by Connie and Ruth

b) Provincial Council

Newly reorganized and things are going well. Meeting on the 26th. - Lyanne

c) Horse Classic

Looking for ideas. Promote it to the kids. August 1-3. Deadline is June 1st.

In the US they study with the posters, slides, etc that are used for the competition. Green Certificate uses the same supplies. Is it possible that our kids use the same supplies to prepare?

Stacy will look into access to Green Certificate supplies.

Can horses stay in Olds from the Horse Classic till the Provincial Horse Show?

- Lee

d) AEF

The new president is Tara Gamble. Dixie is staying to deal with the Equine Canada issues. AEF pays \$43 000 to EC but they have not held up their part of the deal.

AEF is struggling financially.

Ken is a director at large and so there is now the option for PEAC to have another rep there.

Should 4-H membership include AEF membership? Their insurance would add to the insurance 4-H carries. The info will be sent out in the fall mail out in order to make leaders aware of what it offers.

They also have a DVD on what they offer.

Membership is from Jan 1st to Jan 1st so it would be useful if the information went out before December.

PEAC has been approved as an Associate Member.

- Ken Schmuland

e) Provincial Show

The show is ready to go. Packages are out. Deadline is June 30th, no late entries accepted.

Helpers include: Lee, MaryLou, Anita, Connie, Corine, Ruth, Teresa, Nina, Lindsey Grover, Nigel.

Anyone else is invited to join the fun...

A Declaration of Mount is now required and included with the registration form.

- Linda

2. Provincial Clinics

a) Drill Team

Cancelled due to lack of interest.

Why are these clinics not successful?

We need more level 1-3 regional demos and assessment clinics?

If there was a provincial training tool then each Region can use it and it would be uniform. Linda has already developed an outline.

A sub committee was formed to address some guidelines to accomplish this:

Linda, Teresa, Corine and Amanda

This can be done by email. A report will be presented to PEAC at the next meeting.

b) Level 1-3 Train the Trainer Clinic

With Muffy.

c) Level Assessment Clinic

With Muffy.

Bernie wonders if one could be held in the North. Muffy doesn't want to travel far. Does it have to be Muffy?

There is a \$300 fund available to each region for workshops. This could be used to have assessment clinics.

3. Mane Event

The games were great. Lots of interest.

It would be helpful to know where and when any 4-H and Pony Club sessions were to be held. Those were good sessions. **A thank you should be sent to the Mane Event for these sessions.**

It may also be useful to have a poster advertising provincial events.

Drop the draw box as it is expensive and not necessary or advantageous.

4. Horse Video

Should people be able to burn them?

Some clubs give their members the DVD's up to the level they are working on rather than all at once.

5. On-Line Horse Bowl

It happened.

It may or may not continue. It is a very expensive program and we are adding more to their numbers.

6. PELF 2012

Evaluations were handed out.

Do we want to do a 2014 PELF?

MaryLou moved we host PELF 2014 on February 7 – 9, with the option of February 21 – 23.

Teresa seconded.

Carried

7. Vaulting

What was to be researched? by who?

Should it be an equine project or a creative option? Vaulters don't own their own horse so can't do a record book.

8. Polo Crosse

A description of it and the first level assessment are done. It is in progress. 13 pages so far. **Will have a draft for the October meeting.**

It is linked to the Canadian Polo Crosse Association at this time. There are not enough members to warrant producing a paper copy.

- Linda

9. Pro Am Racing – update

We have had 2 offers from them:

1. Barn tours
2. Members participate as a jockey or driver

The jockey or driver would need to have their own insurance. We could make barn tours available.

New Business

1. Equine Resources (Corine)

Record Book

Hard copy changes:

- a) Pg 2, transportation info is wrong, need to add premises ID, need to add info regarding the CD
- b) Pg 7, “More about Me”, new, more basic example is needed so that people understand that ‘level 1-3’ is the project name
- c) “About My Horse Project”, add registration #
- d) remove “or drawings”
- e) front, side, hind pictures, add “without tack”
- f) “Health Record”, remove ‘procedure’ and add ‘maintenance’
- g) back page, change the black area to gray scale

The online format changes:

- the formatting should be consistent
- the \$ is not consistent
- some columns add – remove that
- don’t auto fill
- typing gets smaller and smaller, change to stay at larger font
- dates are awkward, need to be consistent and should not be automatic
- health and growth section: the weight doesn’t fit, hands don’t work, doesn’t justify consistently

changes passed to Stacy

Reference Manual

Time to go over the manual for changes. Add the ¼ system to the ground work section.

The level 3 pattern has issues.

This manual may not be on the list for review at this time

Rodeo

Stampede is still reviewing rodeo project.

Linda will check.

Young/Green Horse/Jr. Horse

The ‘Green Horse’ has been defined by Ken. The Young Horse manual needs to include the definition of a Junior horse and a Green horse as well.

The green horse criteria can be added to the end of the Young Horse Manual.

We need a project code for Jr. Horse and possibly Green Horse??

Connie will go over the Green Horse and Jr. Horse definitions.

2. Comment from Quebec
A gal from Quebec wrote to congratulate the 4-H program development.
3. Membership decline in equine projects
There are less grade 4 and 5's than any other. If membership doesn't increase as the number of children at that age does then we may have an issue. It's not as bad as it first looks.
4. By-law and Terms of Reference Review
They have not been reviewed since 2007. Send it out to the committee to be reviewed as well. Bring back to October meeting.
Yvonne C moved that the by-law and terms of reference be reviewed.
Tina seconded
Carried
5. Off the Wall Oasis First Aid Course
Handout was circulated. Should we promote/endorse people we don't know?
This could get us in trouble. No we shouldn't. Each Region can find their own resources.
6. 'Horses All' Article
'Horses All' is looking for associates to send in articles/photos. We could use this to promote PEAC. It may be a good place for Horse Classic, Provincial Show, Denver group.....
We could submit monthly. If you have something send it to Yvonne Y by the 25th of the month to be entered in the next month.
7. PEAC Clinic
All had fun. We can have other types of clinics or travel; Mane Event in Chilliwack, Spruce Meadows,... Funds are available.
Need potential dates and ideas. Email clinic or travel ideas to Yvonne Y by July 1st.
8. Equine Projects
Some have 3 or 4 project horses. Should this be limited? - Teresa
Some clubs limit the number of horses a member can bring to the show based on stall access. If they are doing the project books and work shouldn't they be allowed to show it off?
9. Multi Region Clubs
There is a cyber club. Some members belong to more than one region.
According to Policy 1.01 a member can register in more than one club as long as they enrol in different project options in each club.
How can a cyber club, belonging to a multi-club, be overseen? There are not rules to govern or prevent issues such as cyber club requirements. Monitoring them is an issue.
Regions may want to regulate who can show in their region so that members from other regions are limited.
Branch (Stacy) and Council (Lyanne) will take a look at this.

Election of Officers

Nominations were held for Vice Chair:

Bernie nominated Yvonne C.
Teresa seconded.
Yvonne accepted.

Nominations called for. 3x
No further nominations.
Yvonne is Vice Chair by acclimation.

Nominations were held for Recording Secretary:

Bernie nominated Ruth.
Teresa seconded.
Ruth accepted.

Nominations called for 3x.
No further nominations.
Ruth is Secretary by acclimation.

A gift was presented to Jimilee as the past Chairperson.

Next Meeting

October 11, 2012 at 10:30 am in Stettler.

Adjournment

Connie adjourned the meeting at 2:35pm.