

# ***4-H Provincial Equine Advisory Committee (PEAC) Agenda, Battle Lake October 24, 2014 at 1:00pm***

**In Attendance:**

Shelley Glatt (Calgary)	Christine Axani (Calgary)
Laura Malyk (WC)	Connie Kluczny (WC)
Lyanne Almberg (P.Council)	Tina Finch (Peace)
Yvonne Yaremccio (Branch)	Janet Kerr (Branch)
Jimilee Ayotte (EC)	Bernard McGowan( EC)
Amanda McGregor (NW)	Corine Verbeek (NW)
Teresa Russian (S)	Laurie Fisher (Peace)

**Called to Order:** Teresa Russian called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

**4-H Pledge and Introductions:** Pledge led by Bernie McGowan.

## **Additions and Approval of the Agenda:**

Yvonne requested we add to the agenda "Involvement at 2017 Celebrations".

**Motion** to approve this addition to the agenda: Teresa Russian

**Second:** Shelley Glatt

**Carried**

## **Approval of the Minutes from May 13, 2014:**

**Motion** to approve these minutes as distributed:

Corine Verbeek

**Second:**

Amanda McGregor

**Carried**

## **REPORTS:**

**1. Regional** – see attached scanned reports except for East Central and South reports (which are below).

**East Central Region report** – They will be having 6-8 rodeos in our rodeo circuit this season. Expecting some horsemanship clinics again this year in the clubs. Gramma Shirley's camp being planned again for this year for the May long weekend - with several clinics including how to fall/shoulder roll.

**South Region report** - held their Regional horse show in August with Dr.Larry Frischke coming in to do a presentation on parasites, there was a quiz at the end of it with prizes handed out and members were impressive with the knowledge they took in! The Southern Regional Light Horse Committee meets again in November.

**2. 4-H Council of Alberta** – Lyanne Almberg handed out a copy for everyone "4-H Council of Alberta Update (Summer 2014). Lyanne read the highlights in the document.

**3. Equine Extravaganza** – Janet Kerr handed out a copy for everyone the results, evaluations and comments from this event. There were 23 participants, 18 brought horses. The date for 2015 will be July 7 -10, please save the date and share with clubs in your area ASAP. Shelley Glatt mentioned that the clubs in her region would like to have the dates for 2015 before the new year. She said if they had more notice last year, attendance would have been higher in 2014. Open discussion on next year's planning, ideas, multi judging, having horses participate – is it worth to haul the horses for one day. Janet has sent off a list of questions and is just waiting for their reply once she has the answers Janet suggested we set up a committee to organize 2015. Janet will share that information once they have replied back. Another suggestion was to move the show to the end. It was mentioned that we need a tack steward at the riding portion of the competition (safety and following the 4-H tack guidelines). Housing at Olds was also discussed.

**4. PELF 2016** – The date for 2016 is February 5-7. Yvonne Yaremco asked us to work on ideas, keynote speakers and activities, which we will discuss at the next meeting.

**5. Mane Event April 24-26 2015** – Yvonne Yaremco mentioned that we have a booth again at the Mane Event and passed around a signup sheet for those who are able to volunteer 3 hours at the booth. Yvonne and Janet said that Branch will pay for our tickets to get us into the Mane Event for the weekend and half the cost of a hotel for one night for those who are volunteering at booth. We also discussed that the 4-H sessions are very informative and to continue them.

**6. 4-H Branch** – Janet Kerr mentioned there have been some staff changes in Branch. Cameron Horner, 4-H Specialist, Marketing & Communications has moved onto another position within ARD. They will be advertising for his job. Lexi Hoy is on leave for a year in New Zealand (Agri Venture). Alesha Hall will fill in for Lexi for the year. There has been a name change from LTCS to CIT (Counsellor in Training). Janet mentions on the 4-H Canada website there are opportunities through the Canadian Council for 18-25 years old for International travel. On the Canadian Council website there is farm grant and FCC (\$130,000), first come and first serve basis.(\$500 grant per club). Also on the website is a Science and Technology planning on putting on a science fair (innovations, science minded), as a conference in a year. There is a Project Training on the website which all members can apply for. Their focus is working on leadership and people skills.

Canadian Council contributed 90% of the cost of our Horsemanship videos with Muffy Knox.

Canadian Council is looking at rebranding the 4-H logo, there is a need to harden up rules to keep logo as is or look at other options. Once a decision is made they would like all clubs to be consistent on using the correct logo in the future and save on set up costs on the embroidery or engraving.

The thought was out there if the logo was trendy or not...Laurie Fisher enlightened us and said it would be like the company Apple using a Pear as its logo....quote on quote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Bit Poster** – It was mentioned that the committee was firm to keep the spade bits and gag bits on the poster (general guidelines). Janet said to email her and let her know how many copies of the bit poster you need, in order that we can circulate them all to our members and clubs. We can hand deliver these posters to our local tack stores and share this information with at leaders at our horse committee meetings. Janet will look into the cost to laminate the bit poster.

**2. English Judge’s Training Clinic** – It is being held in Battle Lake Oct 25 & 26, there are 11 participants. Mary Popkin from Valleyview is the clinician. Connie arranged the riders.

**3. Policies #6.06 (now 6.08) and #7.05 (now 6.09) Update** – Janet handed out policies and noted they have not been approved yet. After a big open discussion and vast amount of rephrasing, Janet rephrased on 6.08 “Members who wish to do non mounted projects may replace with mounted assessments with modified assessments appropriate to their project”

**Motion** to approve the rephrased statement in policy 6.08:

Bernie McGowan

**Second:**

Jimilee Ayotte

**Carried**

For policy 6.08 we added an bullet a 3 bullet in the first paragraph (Members enrolling etc.) plus remove sub bullet after Project ID plus make a new bullet and break up sentence under Project Animals (Appropriate project records etc.). On second page third bullet down reword the first sub bullet to ”If a member’s horse is deemed unsuitable or unsafe for that member. Delete “the animal etc. to regulation” of that sub bullet. Fourth bullet down on second page reword it “The member may be granted permission by the club to participate in their achievement day with a substitute horse. The club may choose not to grant permission if a new animal of superior ability and training is substituted”

**Motion** to forward these changes to Provincial Council:

Laurie Fisher

**Second:**

Connie Kluczny

**Carried**

Corine asked if we could combine both policies (6.08 & 6.09). Making Policy 6.09 an addendum for all equine policies. Janet mentioned that addendums to a policy tend to have no teeth.

Open discussion that policy 6.09 information is required for insurance purposes. (Mostly Rodeo Liability). Lyanne to go back to Council to see how insurance is needed to correctly word this policy for insurance purposes. Susann Stone said that insurance is required for sanctioned license events. (i.e. Rodeo events).

Open discussion about Ambulances on site and/or close proximity to the event.

Open discussion on combining policies 6.08 and 6.09.

**Motion** to combine policies 6.08 and 6.09 together:

Corine Verbeek

**Second:**

Laurie Fisher

**Carried**

Janet Kerr suggested we form a subcommittee to work with Susann Stone to rewrite these policies and word them to validate our insurance. We will table this until our February meeting. The subcommittee can have their final draft completed by March 2015 so council can present these changes at their council meeting in March). Subcommittee members are Jimilee Ayotte, Bernie McGowan, Amanda Hughes, Laurie Fisher and they will work with Susann Stone (4-H Council).

### **Motion Carried**

**4. Horse Reference Manual** – Yvonne Yaremicio read the following report on behalf of Cindy Kremer, 4-H Branch Resource Development Project Coordinator:

Horse Reference Manual Project Update

- The chapters were sent to the Industry Specialists for review (May 22 2014). The following chapters have been returned from the specialists.
  - Feed Chapter (Bob Coleman)
  - Riding Chapter (Cheryl Mitchell)
  - Conformation & Evaluation (Darrell Dalton)
  - Parts of the Horse (Darrell Dalton)
  - Movement (Darrell Dalton)
  - Facilities (Les Burwash)
  - Health (Lorraine Serhienko)
  - Horse Identification (Norene Pinder)
  - Grooming (Norene Pinder)
  - Selection and Buying (Ron Anderson)
  - Equipment (Ron Anderson)
- Farm Safety is working on the safety section of the resource.
- I have been working with Green Certificate to create consistency between our resources. Many of our graphics and information will be the same or similar in the 4-H resource and the GC resource.
- We determined a gap in that the previous manual did not include a traceability section nor a bio security section. I am working with an ARD Traceability Specialists on developing those sections.
- A professional writer will put the resource together. This will be a contract awarded through a tender process. This process will begin within the next couple weeks.

**5. Jonathan Field and Friends International Horsemanship Education Conference** – Overall consensus for those who attended this event, said it was educational and fun. We thanked Branch for purchasing the tickets for the PEAC members and covering hotel costs.

**6. Record Books** – Done and posted.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Provincial Workshops or Clinics** – Yvonne Yaremco and Janet Kerr asked us to see what we would like to see as workshops or clinics in our regions. Connie (West Central) felt her region would like to see level assessments and train the trainer. Open discussion to find the ideal places in the province and at PELF, so we can make it convenient for those interested in attending. It was mentioned to book events and get the dates, location out to our regions ASAP so that everyone has enough notice in advance. Yvonne mentioned that Branch can fund 2 clinics a year.

Janet looked at rotation of clinics between regions. We put together a general schedule to maximize region attendance and clinic topics. Each region would be responsible for preparing and hosting these clinics.

General Geographic Areas (trying to keep driving distant within an hourish)

Clinics to be set up in the next 12-15 months:

-Mayerthorpe/Barrhead – level assessments

-Red Deer/Olds – level assessments

Clinics to be set up as early as fall 2015:

-Vegreville/Wainwright – train the trainer

-Claresholm – train the trainer

Train the Trainer sessions need overnight stalling for the horses.

Muffy Knox and Leslie Oszli were recommended as instructors. Yvonne said that she would contact the instructors.

Yvonne asked that we send her the facility information in our areas to her.

**2. AEF Membership** – Yvonne asked us if we should support or not support AEF in 2015?

**Motion** to renew AEF membership in 2015: Corine Verbeek

**Second:** Jimilee Ayotte

**Carried**

**3. Involvement 2017 Celebrations** – Janet Kerr ask how we would like to celebrate 2017 (100 years). One thought would be the “Big Bash” that would be held the long weekend in August at the Calgary Stampede grounds. Look at showcasing all projects, she wanted us to look at what we can do to show off the equine projects. It was mentioned that we bring this information forward to our regional meetings to get ideas and the creative juices flowing (dream, variety, etc.). Also with the early notice to our regions we can hopefully increase participation by our members in this event.

The Western Regional Leaders will be held around March 17, 2017 in Edmonton. This conference is for 4-H members and leaders from 13 of the Western United States. Alberta has sent members to the conference for over 30 years and 2017 will be the first time the conference will be held outside of the USA.

In 2015, the Western Regional Leaders' Forum will be held on-line. Check out this link for more information: <http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/wrlf2015>, or search WRLF 2015. On January 27<sup>th</sup> the theme is Youth Connect: At Great Meetings, on February 12<sup>th</sup>, Widening the Circle, Special Connections and on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Youth Connecting in Your Community. Each session will run from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Corine asked if we were supporting the Horse Owners Conference this year. Yvonne said not this year.

In the last minutes it was mentioned "The Horse Show Project". It was said on registering with our clubs online that we specify, Creative Options Project and specify "HORSE SHOW PROJECT" for those members interested. This way we can track what interest this project will have with our members. We also need to share this information with our key leaders in our regions.

**MEETING DATES and Locations for 2015:**

**February 18, 2015 (Wednesday) – Stettler**

**May 20, 2015 (Wednesday) – Battle Lake**

**October 23, 2015 (Friday) – Battle Lake**

**Adjournment**

Teresa Russian adjourned the meeting at 4:13pm.

## PEAC Meeting October 24, 2014

### Calgary Regional Report

#### Previous Events:

1. Midnight Express Horse Schooling Show in Airdrie, May 25, 2014. (in preparation for 4H on Parade) Was well received and fun for those who attended.
2. Regional Horse Committee meeting June 11, 2014 – Did a review of 4H on Parade and finalized plans for the Regional Horse Show on July 25-27, 2014.
3. Regional 4H Horse Show July 25-27, 2014 Olds..was well received with the additional classes for levels 4+ (Hunter Hack, Equitation over fences 2' max, Working Hunter 2' max, Jumper 2' max & Reining) and the opportunity to bring a second project horse.
4. 4H Invitational Rodeo at Stampede Grounds (Agrium Western Events Center) Aug 23-25, 2014....for those whom attended enjoyed the morning clinics and then participating in the afternoon events. Lots of fun, learning and prizes.
5. Millarville Mutts & Mustangs hosted a Polocrosse Tournament Aug 30-31, 2014 at the Ranahan Field near Okotoks, members from the Okotoks Outriders and the Millarville Mustangs participated in this event
6. Equine First Aid Certificate Course- Millarville, highly recommended for all horseowners, information was useful for everyday horse management/care/health .... Their website is: <http://www.equi-healthcanada.com/>
7. Regional Horse Committee meeting October 8, 2014 – this was our AGM which requires mandatory attendance for all horse clubs in the Calgary Region in order to participate in Regional Horse activities for the 2014-2015 club year.
8. 4H on Parade Leader Meeting Oct 20<sup>th</sup> Balzac – Review of 4H on Parade and start planning for 4H Parade 2015 which will be held May 29-31, 2015 at the Calgary Stampede grounds. Next 4H on Parade mtg is Jan 27/15.

9. Burwash Equine fall seminar Oct 20 in Springbank. Topics Common Conditions of the Equine eye and an intro to Equine Reproduction.

**Upcoming Events**

10. High Country Pony Club Schooling Show (Halloween Howler) October 25, 2014 in Millarville invitation out to all pony clubbers and 4H'rs. The classes available for various levels of Stadium jumping and equitation (flatwork)
11. Multi Judging Basics Workshop Nov 2, 2014, Airdrie
12. Multi Judging Beyond Basis Workshop Nov 16, 2014 Airdrie

Shelley Glatt and Christine Axanie



## Northwest Regional Report

The Northwest Region held another successful Focus on 4-H July 3rd to 6th, 2014. in Mayenthorpe. We had excellent weather for the most part temperature wise and only rained Thursday night while we were moving in.

Our 2014 Horse Play event is on November 1st. We are expecting 75 members plus Leaders and Parents. The day will consist of dismounted theory, I.D. Stations, and a guest Speaker on rider yoga fitness.

Next Regional Meeting is November 15th, 2014

Amada McGregon  
Corine Verbeeck

## Peace

Regional meeting about.  
South Peace has two new horse  
club waiting on numbers  
train the trainers so in the works.

Lauree Fisher  
Tina Find.

## West Central Report (October 24, 2014)

We held our last committee meeting on June 10 in Lacombe at which we reviewed our Regional Horse Show held on May 30, 31 and June 1 at the Westerner grounds in Red Deer. AT our show, we presented the "Westerner" staff with a 4-H Flag signed by 4-H members attending the show and a commemorative plaque thanking them for 35 years of service. This year, stalling was a bit more complicated for the committee, due to the fact that Barn (tent) C & D we not repaired. Clubs were placed into the two older barns and were able to have 259 stalls available for the 3 days.

- We had 28 classes on Friday starting @ 9:30 with Yearling/Two year old Lunge Line, Yearling/Two year old showmanship. These were followed with the English classes being Dressage, Pleasure, Equitation, Hunter Hack, Equitation ver fences, Working Hunter & Open Jumper). We also had two trail rings open for the afternoon. Saturday started with 18 Showmanship classes and members went on to compete in 22 trail classes which included young horse, handy horse (brand new) and in-hand trail classes for yearling/two year olds. The afternoon saw members competing in their western pleasure and horsemanship classes (20 classes) and Ranch Horse Pleasure (1 class) & Reining (3 classes). The day finished with Delsey Derby and Judging classes (10 classes). Sunday started off at 9 am with 7 clubs participating in the drill team competition, followed by a few classes of matched pairs and then into 19 command classes, including 2 adult classes! The afternoon was busy with Walk-Trot-Lead, Thread the Needle & Dream Weavers classes for all Level 1-3 riders and Barrels, Pole Bending & Keyhole for the Level 4 & up Riders.

- Most leaders and members present at the meeting felt that the show progressed very well in most areas and talked about improving the flow of the show by changing the order of a few events. We did have a few very unfortunate "accidents" at the show, one being a level one rider being kicked in the face by another horse while standing in the hitching ring area. She was taken to the hospital for examination and was back riding in her classes on Sunday morning. Another more tragic accident involved a horse collapsing with the rider aboard behind the hitching ring area. The rider was shook up and the horse had to be restrained by several men for almost an hour waiting for the "on call" vet to arrive. It was determined later that the horse suffered a <sup>condition</sup> brain <sup>aneurysm</sup> aneurysm & had to be put down. At our meeting in June, the committee discussed and agreed that we need to have a designated stock type horse trailer, outfitted with tarps and ropes parked in a pre-determined area, close to the show rings and make sure everyone know where it is and the cell phone number of the trailer owner will be posted in the show office so it can be accessed by all show personal.

- We set a tentative date of January 17, 2015 to hold a regional workshop with one idea for the workshop being on showmanship (from a judge's perspective).

- Our 2015 Regional Show will be held May 29-31 and we will be hosting meetings on January 20, February 17 & April 21, 2015 to organize the show.

Submitted by Connie Kluczny (W.C. Rep)