

PEAC Meeting Minutes  
February 12, 2013  
Stettler Office

Call to Order  
at 10:30 am.

4-H Pledge

Introductions

In attendance were Yvonne Yaremcio (4-H Branch), Stacey Murray (4-H Branch), Connie Kluczny (WC/ Chair), Amanda McGregor (NW), Karen Allen (NE), Corine Verbeek (NW), Lee Carothers (EC), Jimilee Chostner (EC), Lyanne Almberg (Provincial Council), Yvonne Churko (NE), Tina Finch (Peace), Ken Schmuland (NW), Linda Gooch (Calgary), Trudy Andrews (South), Laurie Fisher (Peace), Mary Lou Tainsh (Calgary), and Teresa Russian (South).

Agenda – additions and approval

Additions to agenda under New Business: Provincial Judging Clinic

Policy 606 and 705 review

AEF Rep

*Corine moved the agenda be adopted with additions.*

*Karen seconded*

*Carried*

Minutes

Corrections:

-Northeast report “Regional horse SHOW was cancelled” added.

-Mane Event should read April 26-28.

-Under Yng /Grn horse; draft of definitions and assessments was presented at last meeting so didn’t need to be presented and add “Horsemanship” to 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph.

*Corine moved the minutes be accepted as corrected.*

*Seconded by Tina*

*Carried*

## REPORTS

### 1. Regional

#### Northeast

North East Feb 12/13  
- Yvonne + Karen

Planning for Regional Horse Camp 2013 has started. Camp runs from August 7-10 in Vermilion Co. grounds.

The number of members registered in equine projects is down.

We are looking at re-structuring how our regional horse camp regional horse show are going to be organized due to the reduced number of members and the lack of volunteers.

#### Northwest

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#### North West Regional Report

Our region held its first ever Horse Day on November 3, 2012. It involved games, slide quiz, and I.D. Stations.

We brought in a guest speaker - an (Broken Spur) Equine Massage therapist. Her name is Jodi Shultz.

She brought in a complete horse skeleton and showed our members how the bones all work together.

40 members registered, but we ended up with 70 members and 100 people in total with leaders and parents.

We had a hot lunch of lasagna, Caesar Salad and Sundaes.

Good Overall Review by all on our questionnaire.

## East Central

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### East Central Region

All clubs are up & running. Just held our Regional Horse Committee Meeting on Feb 9, 2013 to Plan the regions events. There will be 3 multi Species Judging competitions this winter. Again in May the Grampa Shindig's Camp is going to be held. Our Region has 6 rodeos planned for 3 weekends in June.

So far there will be a Dustin Gramp Equestrianship Clinics planned for the spring organized by Killam 4-H Horse Club.

We are also (to celebrate 4-H 100th Anniversary) planning a Reunion of the Regional Horse Show that was always in July. It will possibly take place on the 19 & 20 of July. It is for all past & present 4-H leaders and members of the Region.

## Peace

Peace Region  
Laurie Fisher  
Tina Finett

→ Not much from the North

We did a quick 5 week plan, to do a PEACE train the trainer 13 leaders 5 members, Leslie Osali made it up to train. Went thru levels 1-3, we rode thru assessments. like we would our members.

The leaders were all pretty new and looking for ways to teach the level more. and wanted more time for hands on.

Looked at what record books can look like

Have Done some level 1 leader training in South Peace. 23 attended

Try to do some leader training G/P didn't go Donnelly. had 13. attend wanting info on record books / Public Speaking / level!

Going forward, our area Ag Show in G/P for Judging, no plans yet of Regional Show. Next Regional ~~Meeting~~ Meeting Apr 26

## South

### Southern Alberta Regional 4-H Light Horse Committee Report Submitted by Teresa Russian

Clubs from all over the South Region put up display booths at the Lethbridge Ag grounds. 4-H was invited to meet there for the day in recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> celebration. The different clubs set up booths displaying all of the many things the clubs do. There were also many activities planned for members and guests to participate in throughout the day such as crafts and workshops. The afternoon was followed by a fantastic banquet in the evening.

Regional Judging on Feb 1 in Brooks and another one coming up in Claresholm in April  
Planning is underway for our Regional Horse Show. We are planning learning sessions for members, leaders and parents. We are planning for a trail clinic and a tack clinic. Our Region has expressed an interest in adopting the Provincial Rules to make tack rules simpler.

Attendance to committee meetings continue to be an ongoing issue in our region. We really need more support and involvement from these clubs to help share the work load among other things. It is very difficult to share information etc... when clubs don't want or feel the need to be involved in the project or any other 4-H events.

Plans for the Equine Leaders workshop have been tentatively scheduled for October.

## Calgary

### Calgary Region Report

- We are well into the preparations for 4-H on Parade which will take place May 31 - June 1, 2013 at the Calgary Stampede grounds. Interesting year as grounds are under construction.
- We have a Leader/Parent Workshop planned for Apr. 6 Sat. Muffy Knox will come and do BITS as well as Level 1 for Leaders
- Planning for Regional Show July 26-28/13 Dids
- Members have been busy with Olds Reg. Multi Judging, SKI TRIP, ER members conference Jan 5/13
- 4-H section available at Calgary Stampede for anyone interested in showing off their project. Check the Calgary Stampede website.

Our last meeting was January 22 in Lacombe. The main objective is organizing the Regional Horse Show. There are always changes being made to the order of events, rules, etc. We are adding a Ranch Horse Pleasure class for those in levels 4-7 as an alternative to Reining. Jobs were assigned for the planning of the show. It will be May 31-June 2 at the Westerner in Red Deer. Again, English will be on Friday, Western on Saturday and games on Sunday.

There are several club level events being organized including an open Equitation and Rail clinic on February 16<sup>th</sup> (Leslieville Trail Trotters), an open trail clinic on April 13<sup>th</sup> (Leslieville Trail Trotters), a 4-H show in Benalto on May 5<sup>th</sup> (Shadow Riders) and a 4-H show May 11<sup>th</sup> Shadow Riders).

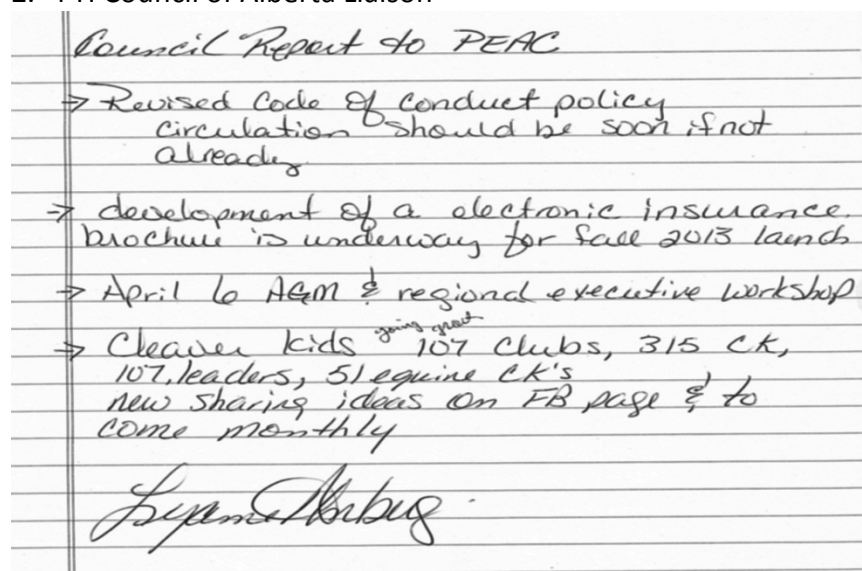
Regional Training Event – TRAIL CLINIC; held in Lacombe on January 26 with over 30 leaders and senior members attending. This was a classroom educational clinic on how to judge and score trail classes. It was hosted by Janet Kerr with Dwayne Grover instructing. Attendees were given trail score sheets (AQHA), trail patterns, regional rules and a few informative handouts and then told how a judge scores each trail obstacle. They watched a few trail video clips from shows and saw the scoring differences between a -1 ½ to a +1 ½ maneuver on the trail courses. Then they were given the opportunity to score a rider in a class. After 1 ½ hrs on trail there was another hour or so on scoring horsemanship and showmanship classes using the same format. It was felt by most leaders that they learned a lot about how show classes are scored and hoped we could continue to host these, educating them on other judged classes (ie., English, etc.)

A questionnaire was circulated regarding the lack of participation in the regional clinics. Only about half of them were returned and according to those we had 9 who signed up and there were 2 who didn't fill out a form who also signed up. Three who didn't sign up. Those who didn't had timing issues or didn't know about it. Some found the online form difficult and would rather have called in to register. Others thought that the clinics were all full according to the graph on the online registration.

Our next meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup> in Lacombe at 7:30.



## 2. 4-H Council of Alberta Liaison



## 3. AEF

Ken:

Lots of frustration in AEF. Directors are resigning. There are conflicts among the leadership. Feb 7<sup>th</sup> AEF was supposed to sign on with EC but commitments have not been met by EC so Alberta wasn't signing.

Conference in Nov. lack of members even though there were great speakers.

Horse Industry Branch trying to get insurance for stable owners but AEF uses Capri. Conflict happening there. AEF could gain from working with HIB.

Struggling financially.

Stacey:

Do we want to renew our membership in AEF?

What do we get? Listing on website, listing in magazine, access to adv rates, ins program at preferred rates, access to database to verify memberships....

Cost is \$75. Not a big expense.

*Corine moved we continue with our membership for one more year.*

*Mary Lou seconded.*

*Carried*

## 4. Horse Classic

Lee:

Starting to work on it for this year.

Strongly encouraged to take it back to your region. It is going to die if there is not involvement.

It is a really good program. July 31, Aug 1&2. Forms will be available no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>. All horse kids will get info.

Deadline June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Also looking for ideas and help.

Looking for another clinic idea.

## 5. Provincial Horse Show

### Provincial 4-H Horse Show Report – Feb. 12, 2013

Our committee took part in a conference call on Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss this year's horse show. It was decided to stay with the same format as in previous years with some changes.

- Entries will be on line. Entrants will have the option of scanning the attachments for mailing them in postmarked no later than the deadline date, which has been changed to June 15<sup>th</sup> instead of June 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Move in will be Friday, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> after 3:00 pm with a parent/member meeting in the Megadome bleachers at 8:00 pm that evening.
- The show will run from Sat., Aug. 3 to Mon., Aug 5 with the Parade of Clubs, English, Dressage, Handy Horse & Jumping on Sat.; Western, Trail & Reining on Sun.; Gymkhana on Monday.
- We will be awarding cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> place and ribbons to 6<sup>th</sup> place all three days.
- There will still be a High Point and Reserve High Point award for Level 4, 5 & 6/7 on the English & Western Days, but on Gymkhana Day, we will be dividing the participants into teams and we will award a Team High Point award.
- For jumping, we are going to replace the Open Jumping class <sup>go with</sup> with a Gambler's Choice class.
- There will be two Dressage tests for the riders to choose from for their class.
- We will be using Reining Pattern No. 10 for reining. Do we want a different one for Jr. Horse?
- We will be replacing the Thread the Needle class with the Big T class this year for Gymkhana.
- We are changing the order of classes this year to have each Level's Pleasure class followed by their Equitation/Horsemanship class so that they will have more time to go to their other classes in the Caluori.
- We have eliminated the Command classes.
- We will not be having any Yearling or 2Yr. old classes this year because of the lack of entries over the last 2 years.
- So far, for judges & Officials, we have:
  - English & Jumping – Robert Young
  - Dressage – Lindsay Seidel-Wassenaar
  - Handy Horse/Showmanship – still looking
  - Western Showmanship, Rail classes & Reining – Peter Fraser
  - Western Trail & Showmanship – Katie Tainsh
  - Ring Master – Laurie Jacob-Toews
  - Tack Steward – still looking (Leslie is unavailable)
  - Gymkhana –
  - Announcer – Christopher Weatherald (pending)
  - Recorder –
- The <sup>Sportsmanship</sup> Showmanship award this year will be chosen by ballot from the members who will give a name and a reason for choosing that person. The award will be handed out on Monday at the end of Gymkhana.
- We need to discuss whether or not we want a Declaration of Mount form or some other means of verifying that the member is using their project animal for the show. How many regions are already doing this? Should we leave it as optional and use the ones who already have this in place?

## 6. PELF 2014: February 21-23

Went over schedule. Leave it the same.

Connie will contact Ron about Fri

Corine will contact Desa Hawkley and Broken Spur

Linda will contact Popoviches

Amanda will contact Doris Daley

Ken will contact Ross Dantu

Session contacts, please let Yvonne know who you can contact.

Ruth will speak to Katie Roxborough about conformation and appraisal/ preparing for a show (horse and person).

Connie will contact Dr Pat Burrage.

Committee clothing - jackets

delegates – zip hoodies

bag rather than portfolio

7. Mane Event: April 26-28

sign up sheet circulated.

Pass provided.

Accommodations are paid for by member and then claimed.

Stacey and Yvonne will set up display

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Terms of Reference

New draft circulated.

Discussion held and changes were made.

*Teresa moved that we approve the terms of reference as amended effective March 1st.*

*Karen seconded.*

*Carried*

## **Provincial Clinics**

a. Level 1-3 Train the Trainer – Nov 3 & 4 – Olds

b. Level Assessment Clinic – Nov 17 & 18 – Olds

cancelled. Feedback....

website for sign up has been an issue

the North would like it closer, the distance is a problem

Can Leslie Osly go north if Muffy doesn't. Yes.

some are overwhelmed or intimidated by it, maybe change the terminology so it's not

Train the "Trainer", instead call something such as "Introduction to Equine Level 1-3"

the new Equine Leader Training may help to get people involved and educated

some think they've been to one so that's enough

should training be mandatory? Northeast would have issues with that.

*Corine moved that we have no provincial Assessment or Train the Trainer clinics this year and we concentrate on the regional equine leader level training and revisit the provincial clinics for 2014.*

*Teresa seconded*

*Carried*



3. Equine Leader Level Training

Linda has set it up for Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am at Airdrie Ag building. For leaders and parents. Bit clinic with Muffy. After lunch starts the program pilot. This is an introduction to the equine project. Cost \$10 to cover lunch.

4. On-Line Horse Bowl

At this point it is not happening. Past host does not have enough room on their current license. Bruce is hoping to offer it again next year.

5. Rodeo project review

Yvonne sent out comments via email. Committee went over them this morning. Not quite ready but being worked on. It is in line for this fall.

6. Young Horse/Green Horse/Junior Horse definitions and assessments

There are now 3 project options on the list for next fall.  
Info will be available on the website.

7. Reference Manual update

Almost done. Hoping to be ready to pass on by Mar 1.

8. Regional clinics/workshops & funding

\$300 per region available. Please use it.

9. Research trip

travel or not? Horse Breeders Conference? clinic? What do you want?  
Interest expressed for Breeder's Conference.

10. Tack & Bit Rules poster

Nothing to report. Discussion to be held by bit committee after meeting.  
Could be offered in the form of an 'app'.

11. Provincial Bit Clinic

12. Declaration of Mount

How to insure that kids are using their project horses for the Provincial Show. The forms are not always signed by the leaders but by the members. Needs to be on file somewhere.  
Each region could keep track of their declarations. Some don't. Show secretary's who collect them for their Region can forward copies to Provincial Show secretary.  
Stacey will receive Declarations from the regions who have not been in the habit of collecting them. She will have an electronic version of the form available to be filled out.  
By April 1<sup>st</sup> have them sent to Stacey.

*MaryLou moved that the provincial horse show requires a declaration of mount submitted to their regional contact by January 15<sup>th</sup> , starting 2013-2014.*

*Seconded by Karen*

*Carried*

### 13. Vaulting

*Corine moved that vaulting moves into the Horse Creative Option*

*Seconded by Linda*

*Carried*

### 14. Horse Industry Involvement

Is there any other industry group we should be liaising with to see that we are getting and giving info?

-Horse Industry

-Alberta Vet

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 1. Provincial Judging Clinic

West Central held a clinic and thought it may be useful provincially. This could help train judges, leaders, trainers for 4-H events. Weekend with the first day being theory on the chosen class. Second day they judge riders in an arena at different levels. Dwayne Grover is willing to help and suggested Ron Anderson to help. Must be willing to judge in a 4-H region.

Could be a provincial clinic or PELF 2014.

Introduce it at PELF and organize one for spring 2014 with the dates available at PELF.

What should it be called and what would be a good date?

Organize for 2 sessions this fall one in north area and one in south. Claresholm, Lakedell, Vegreville.

**Connie will speak to Janet and Dwayne and get some dates.**

### 2. Policy 606 and 705

Being reviewed by Provincial Council

705:

-under Minimum Safety Requirements, 7<sup>th</sup> bullet: goes to Council now not Branch

-bottom of page 1, the helmet requirements should read the same as Policy 606

-remove the "Acceptable 4-H Rodeo Events" section

-other suggestions passed on to Lyanne

*Jimilee moves that we would like to remove the 'Acceptable 4-H Rodeo Events' section from policy 705 if the insurance requirements allow.*

*Yvonne C seconded*

*Carried*

606:

-Jimilee and Linda will work on how the 'Minimum Requirements' regarding completing level 3 should read. To be circulated via email and discussed.

-other suggestions passed on to Lyanne

### 3. AEF

Need an alternate AEF rep to go to the meetings to prepare to take Ken's place. Approximately 3 meetings a year and some conference calls. They are in Calgary and Red Deer. Next meeting in March.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 @ 10:30 am

Location: Stettler

Come to the next meeting with ideas for a place for the meeting after.

Connie adjourned the meeting at 3:50.