

Moot House Madness Meeting Minutes

Date: May 9, 2018

Location: Moot House, S College Ave Ft. Collins

Board Members Present: Didi Dekrey, Andrea Chirich, Rose Balfour, Jacki Rosellen
10 additional attendees – no sign up sheet completed

Meeting Convened: 6:30 pm

Topics discussed:

1. Andrea made a power point presentation on the survey results: 16 people responded. Suggestions on the basis of responses to each question were discussed.(Get slides from AC)
2. Didi presented a state of the NCDA address;
 - a. The CITS Clinic was a success. A good format but a major undertaking. Thanks to RaeAnn Cook for donating the use of Phantom Hill Farm as a venue, which resulted in a net profit for the Clinic. It spanned riders from Intro through to 3rd. level. Everyone enjoyed the “Classroom” day and based on comments from participants, everyone learned something! A big thank you to the Clinician, Joan Clay, & to the two demo riders Kathleen Kilkelly & Susie Reed. We will probably plan something similar again.
 - b. The Fall Festival on Oct 14, 2018 will be a Ride-A-Test, with a “Bump It Up” theme, encouraging riders to attempt a test at the next level. The RAT will be instructional to help riders achieve their best performance in a new challenge. We will potentially use the new 2019 test formats if they are available.
 - c. The Spring Schooling Show was a successful full day of riding, despite the foggy start! There were 63 rides: 24 participants entered on the Equestrian Entries site which allows us to receive payments for entries by Credit Card. There were 34 riders: 2 new members: 18 Non-NCDA members (Eventing, western riders , & members from other chapters). We had a full house of excellent volunteers, some of which were there all day (close to a 12 hour shift!!!) – one of those was a non-member.
 - d. There are 18 members in the running for Year End Awards. # members got points from the Schooling Show:
 - i. Champion - Felix Duerr (Don Christino) 3points
 - ii. Res. Champion – Robin Scott (Zorro’s Zeta) 2 points
 - iii. Alison Murphy (Weatherbee) 1 point
 - e. High Point Champions for the Schooling Show:
 - i. Classical Dressage - Felix Duerr riding Don Christino
 - ii. Western Dressage – Silja Knoll riding Ruby
 - iii. Eventing Dressage – Alison Murphy riding Weatherbee.

Aside conversation: Silja found information about NCDA at the Horse Expo (thanks to Sharon Soos). She is a non-member but considering joining after enjoying her time showing Ruby at the Schooling Show. She is part of a local Working Equitation Group – High Country Equitation, and there is a lot of overlap in interest with Dressage. It is a friendly group that welcomes all equestrian groups, all gear and tack is welcome and she thinks it might be a good fit for co-operation with NCDA.

Meeting adjourned (?time) with eating, drinking, and merriment following.