

January 12, 2022
NCDA General Membership Meeting Minutes

18:33 call to order

Attendance: Andrea C., Silja K., Denise M., Kelle J., Sandra R., Didi D., Sue W., Sally K., Kelly M., Robin, Melanie N.

Introductions of the board and those present at the meeting.

Marshall Fire

Marshall Fire caused a lot of damage, including those with horses. During the evacuation, many places were full and likely lots of people still need help. Colorado Horse Rescue is looking for hay and winter blankets. Boulder County Horse Association is partnering with Colorado Horse Rescue (CHR) and Boulder County Animal Control to help provide relief resources due to the Marshall Fire. CHR will be coordinating a Hay Bank for our community. If you have hay to donate or are in need of hay, please [visit CHR](#) for both drop off and pick up from 8 AM – 5 PM, seven days a week. Free winter blankets for horses, due to loss in the Marshall Fire, are also available for those in need. CHR is also accepting good-quality, waterproof winter blanket donations at these same times. Sally O' Dwyer (VP for BVD Dressage lost her home)

RMDS Events

1/15/22 -RMDS award banquet is this Saturday. Sue is attending and is taking along NCDA gift basket that Silja put together. The basket is for the silent auction.

1/24/22- Professional only event is over zoom and the topic is instructors trouble shooting rider position.

1/24/22- Equine nutrition over zoom.

1/29/22- Chapter awards banquet is back at the Boulder Country Club.

Update on Robert Dover Symposium

6 riders have committed and there are 4 slots open. 4 of the 6 committed riders have turned in deposits to date. Melanie will send Kellee the checks. Melanie has a list of those who contacted her about the symposium and she is working her way through the list to fill those 4 slots. The symposium has now been opened up to RMDS members in addition to NCDA members (who had the first shot at signing up).

The arena space for the symposium was measured for seating. There is space for up to 100 seats for auditors, depending on Covid.

The board would like to have a tighter idea with what is happening with the symposium. Kathy secured Clarion as a sponsor of an undisclosed amount. Kathy will make the hotel bookings, but the money will come from the RDS bank account.

Lowest level signed up is 3rd level; the highest is II. It would be good to get 1st or 2nd level riders so it can be more Through the Levels.

There is a flier on the website under the events tab.

NDCA Events

The Tack Sale was successful last year. There were 20 tables with a variety of tack and clothing and artwork. Andrea will start promoting it through NDCA and RMDS members to sign up for tables. Last year it \$10 for a table and then 10% of the sale. The club made \$800-900 last year. Andrea is going to get the flier made up and asks that

club members help promote it and think about getting a table. This year the sale is at the end of March so might be warmer than last year.

Jessica Greer clinic. Didi got her contract back. The clinic is first come, first served. Didi will get the entries up on Equestrian Entries or members can contact Didi. The clinic form is on the website under the "Forms and Prize List" tab. Didi will update the paperwork on the website.

Silja asked about vaccination requirements. Coggins are good for a year, flu and rhino only 6 months. Silja recommended that if we require an event to have vaccinations that we should not plan an event past 6 months as people may not get a second round of shots just for a show. The members agreed that this was a good plan. 6 months from the first horse event is in October and that is not a month traditionally a successful show month.

Beth contacted Sandra that the prize list needs to be turned in to RMDS. Didi will send the board an updated prize list form.

Ride a Test with Sandy Hotz will also be a first come first served clinic.

Judge for Saturday June 11th is Sharron Sarchet and for Sunday June 12th is Julie Hugen
Opened to eventers and western dressage as well as classical dressage.

We have a good line up of events for 2022!

Old Business

Amy J. is the historian chair and needs to be included on the email/website as such.

We need to find a place on the calendar to put her event she has been offering to do for us for the last year. Last year was too filled up already. Its difficult to find a slot this year. Amy's clinic outline is 2 days. It would include lecture/demo rider day one and then a follow up clinic day 2. The topic was geared toward beginning of show season.

Amy has requested Kellee send back her \$1,000 donation for the Robert Dover Symposium, due to contradictory reports about the clinic leading to lack of confidence that it will fill. All agreed that Kellee should send it back right away.

Andrea and Didi will reach out to Amy to explain that the logistics is the issue and nothing else. They will propose to Amy a virtual event with previously videoed rides.

Treasurer's Report

Robert Dover Symposium has a separate account from our regular account. The money from apparel sale and the Tack Sale went into it. There were also two donations (from Kathy and Amy) that went into that account. The check for Amy will come back out of that. After that there will be \$3,417.73 in that account.

Costs for Robert Dover Symposium: Airfare, car rental, lodging, meals as well as the arena rental. His day fee is \$5k/day plus \$50/auditor will be paid for by the riders.

Ribbons will be over \$1,000. In February, we will need to pay insurance that will be near \$500. Website cost will also be due in February.

The paypal account has some money in it as well.

In general, the schooling shows have come out in the black, supporting our checking account. We have been conservative about events in the past. As members join the club, RMDS will send us membership checks. We are in good shape financially.

New Business

There will be a special educational opportunity at our next meeting in February! We are bringing back the educational topics for the general meetings. Next meeting is Wed. Feb 9th.

Please join us at the February meeting for a talk by [Amy & Steve LeSatz](#) on **Emergency Preparedness for horse barns.**

The board will be sending out a member survey to gauge what members want from the club/their vision of what we should be doing and helpful suggestions – watch for that coming soon! Kellee will pass along the last membership roster of 2021 so we can reach out to previous members. Andrea reminded us we can use the Mail Chimp, which should talk to Survey Monkey, so we don't have to type the email addresses in manually.

Motion to adjourn Didi
Kellee second
adjourn 20:16