

# CHICO EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES; April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014

- 6:00 pm:** Special Ranch Horse Show Meeting
- Conducted by Irene Davis and Barbara Church
- 7:21 pm** Meeting called to order
- Minutes:** Minutes were sent to all board members. Kathleen 1<sup>st</sup>, Deni 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved as read
- Treasurer Report:** Report sent to all board members. Melissa 1<sup>st</sup>, Deni 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved
- Officers Report:** Lori talked about the recent letter from the Attorney General's Office regarding filing a report. 2001 was the last on record. CEA will need to go back to 2008 and send in a report. No tax return needed. All nonprofit groups were sent this letter.
- Committee Reports:** Buckle Series: Donna/Lori tentative date for May 18<sup>th</sup>.  
Ranch Horse Event already discussed.  
Ute suggested a public service announcement for our events.
- Old Business:** No current report on sprinkler system in the arena  
Jan Sneed reported that Day Pryde has not taken a look at the footing in the arena yet.  
Club house repairs: Gutters are done. Ken also indicated he will try to get to the decking by laying plywood down temporarily.  
Lori needs 2 more people to sign up for flight care program at \$30 per family if signed by a group.
- New Business:** Brian: The expanded parking area was discussed and shown to Dan Effeaff. We cannot park in the grassy area yet.  
Also, reported that an Arborist came out to look at the old Oak tree by the dressage arena. Suggested that we place some wood chips on the ground around the drive area. Said the tree is healthy with just a little thinning.  
Brian was nominated and accepted position as a board member. 1<sup>st</sup> by Kathleen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deni all board members approved.  
Clean up day at the arena to be April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. Bring tools  
Question on T-shirts. We need more sizes and colors again. Melissa made a motion to approve \$400.00 to order more t-shirts, Yovie 2<sup>nd</sup> it, all in favor.

**Announcements:** Megan Grove reminded group that a Vaulting playday will be May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 to Noon. Free to all CEA members.

Megan also suggested we have Tamara Yates, who is an equine chiropractor, be our guest speaker.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup> at The Horse Store and More

**Meeting Adjourned:** Kathleen 1<sup>st</sup>, Deni 2<sup>nd</sup> all approved. Meeting adj. at 7:55 pm.

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Donna Mathis**  
CEA secretary

**April 8<sup>th</sup>**

**CEA Ranch Versatility Meeting**

**Irene Davis and Barbara Church, Chair / organizers**

**Number of entries is at 38 so far. Parking is a concern.**

**Arena needs dragging. Possibly by Hardesty**

**Dan Efseaff needs to be notified for a key to the gate, so we can open it up early. Office is next to Police sta. on Humboldt Rd.**

**Skip will direct traffic and try to get help for shuttling**

**Donna to be announcing**

**Lorie and Kathleen will do entries and Barbara**

**Pizza by Woodstocks lunch to be \$5 with drink and cookie**

**Show starts at 9:00 am.**

**Need a check for the judge. Judge to charge only \$100.00**

**Need a check for buckles**

**Parking along road side between no parking signs may be okay to do as long as there is road space for emergency vehicles to pass.**

**Need to check clubhouse for misc. items needed. Mike and Donna will meet with Irene and Barbara Thurs. morning 8 am. Will show sprinklers system, lighting, etc.**

**Raffle prizes still needed**

## **Note on show: Ranch Versatility**

**First and foremost.**

**More pre planning and communication was needed. It's great to have someone spear head/organize/manage an event through CEA, however, CEA must be in the loop. I,(Donna) was the only one that met with Irene and Barbara to share how we ran the Buckle Series, but it was evident that no help was needed. (but it was) Information on this show was sent out to not our members, but people they show with and knew. I made the statement that at all times, our membership comes first, even if they do not end up showing, they are the paying members and deserve to be notified first. My concern at that short meeting was the amount of people attending and the problem of parking. They had sent out 130 plus entries for people they knew. WHAT IF, half of them showed and some of our membership?**

**This show turned out to be very successful for the participants, but hard on the volunteers. The day was extremely long, with no breaks. We were not informed on how the prizes were going such as 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placings. If sponsors were asked, no forms were used to state it was for CEA and that we are non profit. Usually membership helps get the raffle prizes. Most of the prizes were donated from 3 members. Kathleen W, The Horse Store, and Sam's Hair. Buckles ordered were from out of State and did not support our local businesses. Too bad as they are the ones that help us when asked.**

**The question of paying the judge came up at the end of the day. The original judge did not make it and a second judge agreed to come in. It was decided to pay him more. He was apparently willing to take whatever the other judge was going to get.**

**Lighting is definitely high on the list to have at the clubhouse for exterior. Since the show went so late, we were in the dark. Using flash lights and headlights to see. This can be dangerous. Also, makes locking arena and checking grounds unsafe as well.**

**Porta potty needs to be fresh and clean for a large event like this. It was emptied on the Monday before the show. I believe it should be done the day or two before a show , or bring in a second one. It was really bad.**

**Water needs to be run out by the porta pody instead of always running a hose there. Also need a faucet out by dressage arena for use.**

