

MWFHC
SUMMER MEETING
JULY 18, 2010
FARIBAULT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
BLUE EARTH, MINNESOTA

The summer meeting of the Midwest Fjord Horse Club was called to order at 6:21 p.m. in the 4-H building at the Faribault County Fairgrounds in Blue Earth, Minnesota, by President, Patti Jo Walter. Executive Committee members present were Patti Jo Walter, Chuck Kelly, Susie Sadlon, Anne Weyker and Therine Gudknecht

The treasurer's report was approved as presented on a motion by Mike Sadlon, seconded by Mike Nepereny; motion passed.

The secretary's report was approved as presented on a motion by Andrew Hinrichs and seconded by Karen Peterson; motion passed.

Patti Jo thanked the fair board for having us back and for being a corporate sponsor for the show. She explained that the fair board accepted retro prices of \$3 per class for the show. The club is paying all of the entry fees to the fair board. She also thanked the 4-H for serving the meal.

Marlin Krupp thanked our club for coming to the 150th Faribault County Fair at Blue Earth for our 25th Anniversary Show. Marlin reported that the fair board put new clay in the stalls and that the center alley is back this year.

Patti Jo reported that Susan Cargill and Alan Merrill passed away this year and Linda Syverson-Kerr was injured in an accident. We had a moment of silence.

Patti Jo told the club that the judge for the show would be Jim Havelhurst.

Patti Jo thanked Karen Hanson and Dawn Schlickman for organizing the 2010 winter meeting. Wanda Hase will host the 2011 winter meeting in the LaCrosse area.

Chuck Kelly reported that the cost to the club for the Midwest Horse Fair for the last several years was around \$400. Since the booth was not occupied until 5 p.m. on the last day of the fair, our club has been permanently excused from the fair.

We have a policy to allow people to apply for a grant of \$100 per event where attendance will be in excess of 5000 people.

(This is the policy that was voted on by e-mail meeting on April 21, 2010. The MWFHC will donate \$100.00 toward any group of club members having a booth, stall or promotional area at a recognized horse event upon the following conditions: 1) The event must draw at least 5,000 visitors; 2) The MWFHC name must appear in the promo area;

and 3) That any club member must be able to have flyer's, sales lists and promotional literature free of charge in the promo area.)

Chuck Kelly informed us that the lost first aid kit has been found and would be at the announcer's stand if needed.

The members were told that parking passes would be available after the meeting.

Since there was no one in attendance from the NFHR, there was no report on the NFHR activities.

Regarding the show, it was reported that Heike Lewandowski would carry the flag for the opening ceremony each day. Heike has returned from her tour of duty and the club thanked her for her service.

If anyone wanted to make changes to their classes for the show, they were to see Anne Weyker for the forms.

A set of pewter cutlery made in Norway was awarded to Bob and Donna Long for obtaining the most sponsorships.

The club thanked Jessica Reuterskiold and Kathy Blaszczyk for being show chairs. Members were told they could pick up their show numbers after the meeting.

The photographer for the show was Avalon Photography. There was a banner made by Bryan Simonson for photo opportunities.

Martha Martin would host a hospitality tent during the special performance with cake, coffee and lemonade.

Dawn Schlickman reported that she would have merchandise here for sale and also on the web site.

Pony Tail Studios would also have merchandise for sale.

Everyone was asked to sign up for the many door prizes that were available. The drawings would be held at noon daily.

Other vendors at the show were Scandinavian Treasures, Betsy Bauer and Hippy Candle Man.

The show was to start at 9 a.m. each day.

Laurie With told the club that the next newsletter deadline would be September 1. She asked that people send in pictures and articles.

DeeAnna Weed talked about the web site and the Tidbits.

Patti Jo reported on the mane trimming and tack fitting DVD's. The next DVD will be on harness fitting. The club will be looking for someone to help with this.

Tuesday night there is to be a special performance at 6:15 of Fjord's Got Talent. Participants were asked to stay after the meeting to discuss the performance.

The division heads for the show were as follows:

Driving	Andrew Hinrichs
Jumping and Riding	Patti Jo Walter
Trail	Jessica Reuterskiold
Draft	Tyler Schlickman, Mike Sadlon, Bob Gudknecht

The designated complaint person would be Chuck Kelly.

Karen Hanson brought up that Mike May has retired and a new person has been hired for his position. This position was not advertised and it was felt that was not handled in the best way as people did not have an opportunity to apply for the position. People should contact Howard Fiedler with questions.

At 7:06 p.m. Mike Sadlon moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Bryan Simonson; carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Therine Gudknecht
Secretary