

AGM
Sunday January 19, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm

Approval of the agenda: Kate Fowler approved the agenda, Andrea Young second

Establishment of Quorum: Yes

Appoointment of Scrutineer: Melody Mckinnon and Marion Rutledge were appointed

Declaration of any Conflict of Interest: Yes

Adoption of Minuted of last AGM January 20, 2019: Correction to show standards, Sarah Firth is on the show standards committee and Kansas McNicol is off, Crista adopted the minutes and Julie Claus seconded them with the corrections

Board and Committe Reports

a) Banquet and Fundraising Committee: the ticket sales were down but the banquet was successful. The photo backdrop was a hit and we will secure the photographer from 2019. The committee will look at expenses for the 2020 banquet and possibly ticket prices may go up. Holding the pictures until after presentation of awards will be looked into. Dave Longo will play at the 2020 banquet whick will be held at the Four Points Sheridan on October 3, 2020.

Not much fundraising was done in 2019 due to lack of volunteers, so ordering on line for saddle pads or jackets was what was done in 2019.

The raffle was well received.

The members event will be held April 10th 2020 (Easter Weekend).

The clinic with Darcy Hayes gave good feedback and was well received

Show Standards presented by Crista Chapman, we will pay \$100 to Alison Fehr and wait until the end of show season to see the results and give them to the show managers.

The most improved show award will be in honour of Sanie Flemming as a memorial to her.

Report of Accountant Melody McKinnon gave an account of the 2019 season and applauded Rachel for all of her hard work. Our account is in good shape.

Business as specified

Omnibus: Ashline will do the omnibus again for the 2020 season, updating the new rules and taking out the warm up rule of only 7 fences. She will be paid \$500 for her work.

Perfect Attendance Award: The perfect attendance award will be for the competitors who attend all of the 9 shows in 2020. 1 persons name will be drawn and presented at the banquet and will receive free entries for the 2020 show season.

Show Dates and Schedules: All of the show dates and schedules are online, it was suggested that F&M look at their show date and possibly change as there might be a conflict with the Angelstone series. High Street will be held at Highland Green

Combining Divisions: The numbers are down and 108 entries are needed for the show managers to break even. Combining divisions and prize money not offered to the division that have low entries. We will wait to get feedback from the coaches. It is a possibility we could go back to a 1 day show, but could run into conflicts. 2 days with 1 ring is a possibility but will have to reach out to the coaches again to get ideas of the numbers before making and decisions.

The general feeling is the Prelude shows are overpowering the Trillium shows. There is a need to encourage people to come to the Trillium shows and try to educate people and to make a different between the Prelude circuit and the Trillium circuit.

Volunteers: Volunteers are always needed.

Show Specs – Proposals: Changes are to be submitted before March 1st, the committee reviews the changes later in March and the changes are voted on in October the same year.

Strategic Planning: What is good: Championship show, standardization, affordable compared to the A circuit, there are a variety of divisions and good officials.

Not so good: communication, not enough volunteers, decreased membership and no financial support.

The realities are a diversity in memberships affordability and competition from other circuits. The Trillium show have the most membership in Ontario.

New Business: Marion to collect money for a memorial

Election of Directors: Vice President: Sarah Firth, Secretary: Susan Evans, Treasure: Melody McKinnon.