

AGM  
Sunday January 30, 2022

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm

Approval of the agenda: Julie Claus approved the agenda, Kate Fowler seconded

Establishment of Quorum: Yes

Appoiontment of Scrutineer: Savannah Rijk and Wade Coombs were appointed

Declaration of any Conflict of Interest: Yes – Show Managers have a conflict

Adoption of Minuted of last AGM January 30, 2022: Andrea Yong adopted the minutes and Julie Claus seconded them.

#### Board and Committee Reports

Banquet and Fundraising Committee: Minimal fundraising was completed in 2021. We discussed the option of doing some socks or T-shirts.

Banquet was held at Shadowlane Stables. Overall feeling was that it was great to be back celebrating together. The consensus was to look at a middle of the road approach for the 2022 banquet. An indoor venue, but not as fancy as The Sheraton. Idea was to keep the costs more affordable.

Show Standards: It was discussed that there should remain some system of accountability, but no committee was struck.

Report of Accountant: Treasurer was not able to be in attendance. Fundraising and sponsorship revenue was lower than in the past, but our expenditure for the banquet was kept in accordance with that. There is still a healthy surplus in the South West account.

Kate Fowler motioned to accept the report and Wendy seconded the motion.

#### Business as specified

Omnibus: Noted that we were collecting advertisements for the omnibus. Aisling Lavery to put together. The previous year, we only released a digital version. This year, we voted to have some copies printed.

Perfect Attendance Award: Shows were agreeable to run the award again in 2022. Competitors agreed that it was a good incentive. Award was improved to include a prize for the coach with the most students with Perfect Attendance.

Show Dates and Schedules: Show dates and schedules were reviewed. We were likely going to be

able to allow post entries again in 2022, the hope that COVID restrictions would be less strict.

**Pilot Project Divisions:** In order to keep up with the new Silver Circuit and to entice more/new members to attend Trillium shows, some new divisions were proposed, with the idea that they would be Bronze divisions. The divisions are Long Stirrup, Cross Rails, 2'3" Open Hunters and 0.75 m Jumpers. There was significant discussion about these divisions. Some felt that we needed to maintain a minimum standard for Trillium Shows, others felt it was a good way to bring in new customers to work their way up the levels. We did note that these would be up for review again before becoming part of the core program. Wendy suggested that we should try to track the participants to be able to determine if the divisions were a viable option going forward.

After much debate, each division was voted on separately and all were approved to try for 2022.

**Volunteers:** Review of the need for volunteers to help run events and fundraising for South West.

**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.

**COVID Guidelines/Restrictions/Rule Changes:** 50% rule which was amended for 2021 to allow movement of horse/rider combination between eligible divisions throughout the season is to remain. Additionally, shows will have the option of offering prize money or not. Entries must be reduced if prize money is not being offered.

**New Business:** none

**Election of Directors:** There were no nominees for the Vice President position. Kate Fowler offered to be Secretary and was approved. Christa Chapman stepped down as director. Julie Claus volunteered to fill her position, which was approved.

Motion to adjourn meeting provided by Wendy and seconded by Julie.