

Horse Trials NB Annual General Meeting

Welcome

Board of Directors Present

Donna Lee Cole – President
Pam Nierlich – Treasurer
Rien Meesters – Secretary
Hollie Spillman
Carol Egers
Loretta Kent
Trish Bryden

Members:

Rob Stevenson
Janet Stevenson
Zoe Erichsen-Meesters
Janet Currie
Kelsey Currie
Elaine Paton

Welcome Donna Lee Cole April 18th 2:10 p.m. Willie O'Rea place
Meeting Called to order

Reading of 2009 Minutes – Read by Rien

It was moved by Rob Stevenson to approve the minutes of March 14th, 2009 as read by Rien and seconded by Trish Billings. Motion Carried

Reading of Reports:

- 1) Pam Nierlich read the Treasurers Report as attached to the minutes.
- 2) Donna Lee read her annual report as attached to the minutes.
- 3) Trish Billings Young Rider Report

Trish Billings added that the little bit of extra money that we used to support young riders at the Peter Grey clinic was a success and if we should look at continuing this during the current season.

Rob Stevenson added that he felt that this was a good spending idea. Donna Lee outlined that we would discuss at the next Directors Meeting.

Zoe also mentioned that Margie Godson was booked as well for the end of August.

Rob mentioned that we should make a list of identified clinics for HTNB approved or sanctioned will or can receive moneys to support their education.

Discussion regarding funding to young riders outside of the province need to be members in order to receive funding from the provincial organization (Rien).

4) HTNB Rep report – Jeff took over for Lori and there has been not report sent for today.

**It was moved by Trish and seconded by Loretta to accept the annual reports.
Motion Carried.**

New Business

Changes to the constitution

Donna Lee introduced the proposed changes to the Constitution which will have to voted on during the next AGM since there has not been 30 days notice of the proposed changes. She has put forth the following two changes.

- 1) Elimination of the date for the AGM – Prior to March 31st
 - Rob asked why it was used.
 - Pam outlined the original sport council year end – December 31st, our fiscal year is now that as well.
 - consideration of better weather
 - Zoe – people being involved in upcoming events.
 - Donna Lee – fall, spring,
 - Rien outlined that it was more to do with the specific date, so that there is flexibility etc.
 - Spring seems to be the consensus but as early as possible.

Motion from the Floor:

Trish motions that HTNB eliminates the date of March 31st and that an annual general meeting will be during the spring of each year as determined by the B.O.D. on an annual basis.

Secunder: Loretta

Motion carries and will be adopted for 2011 season.

- 2) Elimination of non-competitive membership (as discussed by Donna Lee Cole). We do not have any non-competitive memberships and have not in our history. At a rate of \$20.00 this fee and structure.

Trish asked about Equine Canada ?
Zoe asked if more members were family members
Rob discussed historically it was for stewards, jump judges etc.

Janet Currie – no harm in Keeping it.

Discussion about keeping it if it doesn't have an effect.

2) Elimination of the non-competitive memberships.

Changes to Eventing Canada Rules

Donna Lee Cole: Check your rule books for updated changes and Rob mentioned you can download the new changes.

.25 rule has been adopted as an optional supplemental safety vest. Inflatable vest that attaches to the saddle. Endorsed by people, we will wait and see.

Calendar of events

Rien read the Calendar Events

Donna Lee Cole – supplemental cross country clinics one day at Rohirrim Farm to be organized where available.

Hampton Riding Centre Donna Lee needs assistance (Kelsey and Janet Currie will help)

Fund Raising

Donna Lee - Allocated funds at the last board of directors meeting, by each venue dressage rings, jumps, jump cups etc. Funds towards helping venues to get officials for the sanctioned events. NBEA is also supporting for the short term the allocation of officials.

Pam – provincially they are aware of the precedent that it may or may not be setting but they are aware of the difficulty in getting officials from inside and/or outside of the province. Some disciplines are worse off, even bringing in officials from out of Country not just within the country.

DL – we funded Jeff Carter in the Jump Building Course Designer.
Rob discussed the fees across the Country and the difficulty in Event organizers getting this done for the mere \$100 that we now use.

Rob suggested that a mail out go to parents of the key groups to try and target officials. IF not they need to understand the increase in the cost per event.

Donna Lee – the need for some form of fundraising – directors felt that there has not been an interest in fundraising and we don't generate a lot of \$.

Rob suggested that if we had a target instead of the organization we might get more interest.

Zoe brought up having a social event to raise money, barn dance etc. Silent Auction at the big barn party.

- to be brought up at the next board meeting and set up. Good idea.

Additional Items

Don Johnson on Dickie Mtn Road has built a huge indoor arena (dressage) and wants to build some cross country. Small training course.

Other venues are also interested.

Election of Directors

President

Donna Lee read the email from Jeff regarding his interest in being elected to the position of President. Jeff's email is considered his nomination as seconded by Rob.

Rob asked about Quorum. Quorum is met with the minimum number being 7 present with a total number of 13.

Donna Lee has offered to stand.

Position to be put to vote (secret ballots).

Treasurer

Pam will re offer

NO other nominations

Congrats pam.

General Director at Large

Hollie will re offer.

No other Nominations from the floor.

Secretary

Rien was nominated by Trish Billings and seconded by Janet.
No other nominations from the floor
Motion passes.

NBEA/REP

Discussion regarding Jeff if he did not receive the Presidency Trish and Hollie are fine with Jeff continuing

Discussion whether this is a voted position so it will be left to then next B.O.D. meeting.

As Secretary Rien will count the ballots. Donna Lee and Jeff Carter both abstain from the vote.

12 Votes were cast regarding the position.

Donna Lee Cole was voted in as the President of HTNB for the next 2 year session.

Returning -

Lin Jackson 2009-2010 - Vice President and Awards

Loretta Kent 2009-2010 - Director at Large

Carol Egers 2009-2010 - Membership

Tricia Bryden 2009-2010 - Young Riders

Re-elected -

Donna Lee (2010-2011) President

Hollie Spilman (2010-2011) Director at Large/Young Riders

Newly Elected -

Rien Meisters (2010-2011) Secretary

Farm Rep -

Jeff Carter - Brae Fearann Farm Rep

General Discussion:

Discussion succession and getting volunteers to move up through the organization and adding more members.

Rob brought up the M.E.C.T.A sites within 3 hours drive (15 mini events). Not sanctioned but need medical papers to get across the boarder.

Rien (maybe add this to the Dates to Remember).

Zoe promote the Ian Roberts Clinic. Pam to send a reminder with the dates/ copy of the entry form. Registration.

Motion to Adjourn

3:51 p.m.

Draw for price – Janet Stevenson wins the bug spray and the towelettes.

2009/10 Presidents Report

HTNB was proud to host the nationally sanctioned Safety Clinic with Peter Gray, at Foshay Farm in 2009. In order to follow through with the same committed level of instruction and focus on Eventing Safety, HTNB will be hosting two Ian Roberts clinics this summer as well. We will be introducing a new component to the clinics in a specialized session where Ian will be coaching the coaches, while the area coaches coach their students.

Due to the limited number of competitive events for 2010, HTNB has focused on our continued commitment to educate our riders. In addition to Ian Roberts there will also be clinics with Jen Hamilton, and Martha Griggs, as well as supporting the opportunities to school at training facilities. While it seems to be getting harder and harder to find areas to school XC, we firmly believe that an educated rider benefits in a smarter and safer competitor.

2009 was a difficult year for HTNB and Eventing within the province with the cancellations of the anticipated events from Foshay Farms. While certainly understandable, we will all be missing the influence that Rob and Foshay Farm has exerted on eventing within the Maritimes. While it may be in the near distant future, we are looking forward to when Foshay hosts it's next Horse Trial.

Horse Trials Canada (not to be mistaken with Canadian Eventing) has ceased to exist as an organization. The funds have been allocated appropriately to all the provinces, with the G5 provinces receiving an additional financial incentive to assist us in continuing on with our chosen sport within our geographical areas.

HTNB would also like to thank Canadian Eventing for their financial assistance as well as the NBEA. Without these two organizations, hosting our HTNB sanctioned clinics would not be possible.

I would like all of you to take this year and grow in your education, your abilities, your safety, and your commitment to making Eventing the best sport possible!

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lee Cole
HTNB Pres.

HTNB Financial Overview

Overview for 2009 (updated Jan 17, 2010)	
Total Revenue	\$9,092.00
Total Expences	\$8,466.10
Excess Revenue	\$625.90
Funding received for Young Riders	\$637.96
Expences incurred todate	\$250.00
Restricted cash balance	\$387.96
Bank balance as of Dec 17, 2009	\$6,086.19
Less outstanding cheques	\$615.00
Add outstanding deposits	\$530.00
Less restricted cash balance	\$387.96
Cash available for operations	\$5,613.23

HTNB Revenue Expenditure Report

REVENUE	2009
Memberships	\$1,549.00
NBEA Sport Funding	\$1,000.00
Bracelet Sales	
Clinics	\$4,430.00
EC Funding	\$1,650.00
Hat Sales	\$15.00
Armband Sales	\$48.00
Levy Fees	
EC Expense Reimbursement	\$400.00
Total	\$9,092.00
EXPENSES	
Administration	
Postage	\$96.46
Omnibus	\$413.79
BNS Service Charges	\$27.65
Overpayment refunds	
Website	\$100.00
Fundraising expense	
Total Administration	\$637.90
Insurance	
Director & Officer Liability	\$175.00
Club Liability	\$450.00
NBEA Membership	\$40.00
EC Insurance	
Total Insurance	\$665.00
Equine Canada	
Membership Share	\$408.00
Levy Fees	\$280.00
Total Equine Canada	\$688.00
Competition / Athlete Development	
Course Development	
Facility Rentals	\$657.12
Clinician Fees	\$3,750.00
Armbands	
Awards	
Total Competition / Athlete Development	\$4,407.12
Board of Directors	
Plaques	
Air Fare Donna Lee Cole	\$504.61
Hotel , Meals Donna Lee Cole	\$429.73
AGM	\$770.54
Conference Call	\$223.20
In Memory	\$100.00
Total Board of Directors	\$2,028.08
Marketing	
January Thaw	\$40.00
Total Marketing	\$40.00
Junior Riders	
Saddle Pads	
Total Junior Riders	
Total	\$8,466.10
Difference	\$625.90

7/27/2010

P. Nierlich