

## **Intermountain Region Pony Club Spring Meeting April 21, 2018**

Attendees:

Anita Collins, RS, IRPC  
Stony Yakovac, RIC, IRPC  
Lisa Arbogast – HMO, IRPC  
Katy Dunn, Secretary, IRPC

Berniece Jensen, Jt-DC, Gambel Oak  
Cara Murphy, Secretary, Park City  
Carla Parish – Jt DC, Wasatch  
Connie Waggener, Treasurer, Owyhee  
Diane Huskinson, DC, Portneuf Valley  
Erin Sinclair, Jt DC, McCall  
Jennifer Gray, DC, McCall  
Jolyn Rassmussen, Jt DC, Boise  
Kasey Krone, DC, Boise  
Lee Ann Merrigan, DC, Magic Valley  
Maria Maguire – DC, Sawtooth  
Susan Schatzel, Treasurer, Boise  
Teresa Yakovac, Jt DC, Portneuf Valley  
Tree Curtis, DC, Pioneer

A representative from each club **MUST** attend either the Spring or Fall Meeting. Clubs **NOT** represented:

Jackson Hole  
Star Valley  
Buffalo Jump  
Wasatch

(If there was a representative from one of the above clubs in attendance who did not fill out the sign-in sheet, please notify Anita Collins or Katy Dunn.)

1. Update from National Meeting
  - a. Rulebook Changes (to almost every single rulebook) – need to read and understand the changes and your update rally kits. The changes are printed in red. <https://www.ponyclub.org/Members/Rulebooks.aspx>
  - b. Electronic devices are acceptable for the rally kits– but if using one, every team member **MUST** know the passcode, and must have a backup power source (i.e. plug & battery) so that the documents are accessible at all times. You can print out the pages with red changes (for Rally kits), don't forget the Newsletters.

- c. All Rally scoring is changing – Horse Management will count as 20% of the total score. There will be a Tutoring Tuesday Webinar on it. Online scoring system is available, and highly recommended. Everything is on the USPC website.
  - d. Raffles/Games of Chance are permissible now – but check your local state laws.
  - e. Changes to Upper Level Certifications – due to the high cost of National Examiners, etc., EIGHT candidates will be required to hold a test. There are options, ghostriders, etc. Talk to Anita if you have questions.
  - f. National Reporting of Club Financials is now MANDATORY. It is on the USPC website – look for the Centralized Finance Reporting System. You can find this under Treasurer Resources on the website. EVERY CLUB NEEDS TO BE ON THE SYSTEM! If you need help, please let Anita know and we could possibly set up a tutoring session with veteran clubs. Also – make sure that your club has completed the online tax form E - 990 by May 15. It is super easy and just asks a few questions, but if your club does not submit this they could lose their non-profit status (which is a huge pain and costs lots of money to regain).
  - g. Safety – please check to see if any of your officers are missing their Safety Courses
  - h. If a member has had a concussion, they will need to submit a Return to Play form (with doctor signature) prior to returning to club activities.
  - i. Incident Report Forms – must be submitted, even for minor issues. It is important to fill this out so that the ratio of minor to major accidents is accurate. If minor incidents are underreported, it will give the impression that the sport is more dangerous than it is.
  - j. DC and Treasurers Digest – officers, please familiarize yourselves
  - k. There is a new Flow Chart for Certification Tracks (it is straight across now)
2. Letters of Intent to Qualify for Champs
- a. Even though the deadline is past, the opportunity is still open – but please submit intent ASAP!
  - b. Do we want to keep our current Teal Sun Shirts? The vote was YES! These can be customized for any club. Order them at <https://www.itsahaggertys.com/>
3. Certification Opportunity – Sawtooth PC invites all to their Aug 13 – 15 D2 – C2 Certification with National Examiner Jeanette Scanlon. Please contact Sarah Berkowitz ASAP if you are interested: [skep12@aol.com](mailto:skep12@aol.com).
4. Rallies and Activities 2018–
- a. UL Prep May 18-20 – hosted by Pioneer PC, in Eagle Mountain, UT
    - i. Low on numbers, so please come

- ii. Flexibility - \$100 for just one day
    - iii. Email Tree Curtis ASAP at [treerelief@gmail.com](mailto:treerelief@gmail.com)
  - b. Mega Rally June 23 – 24 Dressage and Show Jumping, hosted by Magic Valley
    - i. If you are trying to qualify for National Champs, you must have a Horse Management Score – come to either rally to get it!
  - c. Regional Camp Eventing Rally – July 27 – 27, hosted by Sawtooth Pony Club
  - d. Tetrathlon Rally – Sept 1 – 3, hosted by Park City Pony club, open to adults, horses can be shared by up to three participants, will try to arrange show jumping for any day except Sunday. Will be held in Oakley, UT (outside of Park City, there are camper hook-ups, stalls, and indoor and an outdoor arena.
- 5. Regional Activity Assistance Program – Paperwork is set up, now going into play, perhaps not until next year, \$500 per club, up to 5 clubs to offset clinicians. This will operate as a sort of insurance plan to pay after the fact if the club has a loss – up to \$500, but require three months' lead time.
- 6. New Club Inquiries
  - a. Anita wants us to think about helping potential clubs offset a portion of the required National Start up fees, perhaps \$100 - \$250. There is money that comes in from closed clubs could be earmarked for new clubs to start.
  - b. Katy Dunn will write up with a short written proposal, and will work with Anita on it. A vote on this issue will be held at the Fall Meeting.
- 7. Update from Regional Youth Board – apply in the Fall? Carla Sullivan was the lead on it.
- 8. Nominating Committee 2018 – oh NO! Anita may not be back next year!!
  - a. Dianne Huskinson (Chair), [weluvhorsez@gmail.com](mailto:weluvhorsez@gmail.com)
  - b. Jolyn Rasmussen, [Jolyn.Rasmussen@gmail.com](mailto:Jolyn.Rasmussen@gmail.com)
  - c. Berniece Jensen, [bjensenrn@gmail.com](mailto:bjensenrn@gmail.com)
- 9. Thinking ahead: who are potential candidates for National Youth Congress (must be 18 yrs old and be at least an HB) and National Youth Board 2019?
- 10. Annual Meeting 2019 – All are encouraged to go! Please put this on your local club agenda to talk about planning for this.
  - a. January 30 – February 3, in Stamford, CT
  - b. <https://www.ponyclub.org/Calendars/Events/View/2019/193.aspx>
- 11. Fall Meeting – September 29<sup>th</sup> in Ogden, UT
  - a. Jennifer from McCall did a comparison of drive times for each region, and concluded that Twin Falls is the closest for the majority of the clubs, yet Pocatello is the central point for the region

- b. Can we look into electronic participation? Yes!
- c. During the Fall meeting of 2017 the discussion was that the Fall 2018 meeting would either be in Twin Falls or Pocatello (depending on where the Spring meeting would be held). With current planning and location comparisons the current plan introduced is that the Fall meeting be held in Ogden, UT. This would allow for UL prep to include much needed longeing and wrapping instruction.
  - i. The Scotsman Center in Ogden will charge \$20 per kid per day, and will reserve their indoor arena for unmounted HM upper level practice, \$15 a night stabling. <https://scotsmancenter.com/>
  - ii. Discussion re: Bannock County Fairgrounds in Pocatello the cost of renting the fairgrounds would be considerably higher.
  - iii. Anita – Motion to Book Ogden, Katy – 2<sup>nd</sup>, Vote – 16 in favor, 1 opposed.
  - iv. The Fall meeting/UL unmounted prep will be in Ogden, UT at the Scotsman Center, on September 29<sup>th</sup>, with possible riding opportunities September 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### 12. Questions from the Floor

- a. Teresa (PVPC) suggests purchasing a small 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Kit for Quiz Rally
  - i. Anita – made the motion, Tree 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous Vote
  - ii. Jennifer Gray (McCall) will donate it! Thank you, Jennifer!
- b. Re: Intermountain PC Website Members Only Portal
  - i. Needs to be updated with correct Club and Officer roster
  - ii. Question for Julia Reitdorf - Can she make a live link to email all regional and club leaders, without having to select them individually?