

**WISCONSIN STATE HORSE COUNCIL
DISTRICT 5
AUGUST 10, 2010
TOMAH, WISCONSIN**

The August meeting of District 5 of the Wisconsin State Horse Council was held at the Hearty Platter Restaurant at Kwik Trip in Tomah on Tuesday evening, August 10, 2010.

Members Present: Mike McGowan, Larry Gage, Don & Corky Smith, Linda Catherman, Lorraine Ruck, Sue Wellman and Pat Jenkins

Visitors Present: Lenore Schroeder – Wild Cat Mountain State Park, plus two persons not identified

President Mike McGowan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mike McGowan told of his trip to Circle Park in the Big Horn Mountains in Wyoming and Linda Catherman told of their trip to Hay Creek Horse Camp at Nemo, South Dakota. Both had very enjoyable trips and were ready to go back.

Larry Gage made a motion to accept the Secretaries Report as presented, and Don Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sue Wellman from DeSoto was welcomed to the meeting. She is a WSHC member and has an American Standardbred Adoption Program that has branched out into all breeds.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mike McGowan gave a report on the “Large Animal Rescue Training”. The location has been moved to the Jackson County Fairgrounds at Black River Falls. The dates are October 15 and 16. The classes will be limited to 30 persons per day for actual training at an early bird rate of \$129 per person and \$159 after 09/25/2010. There will be an unlimited number of spots available for auditing. There will also be scholarships available through The Foundation.

A discussion took place regarding what costs were going to be involved for the training. Corky Smith has two extremely quiet horses lined up. One she will be bringing and the other is in the Holmen area. Gas Money for the transporting of the Holmen horse was mentioned plus the rental of the fairgrounds will be in the area \$300 plus a possible charge of \$100 for stalls. One room with two queen beds will also be required.

The final brochure for the training came to Mike just prior to tonight's meeting and will be included with minutes as they are sent out to District 5 Members and also with the high lights of the meeting to District 5 non-members.

Lenore Schroeder from Wild Cat Mountain State Park was a guest at this meeting also. Lenore came to the meeting to discuss the ACTHA Competitive Trail ride that we have been proposing. Lenore would like to limit the number of entries to 25 for the first year. The entry fees set by the ACTHA are \$58 per rider and \$40 of this fee would go to District 5. It was decided that we have enough on our plate for this year and that we will put this on the back burner until 2011.

The WSHC has some concerns regarding the ACTHA and Don and Larry are going to do further investigation into this association before we move forward with more plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

Larry Gage made a motion that we appoint Mark Kindschy as our Youth Director to get young people interested and involved in activities in District 5. Don Smith seconded the motion.

Secretary Pat Jenkins reported that she would be out of town for the September meeting and that we would need a back-up person for this position. Lorraine Ruck volunteered to fulfill those obligations for September.

Linda Catherman reported that the Trail Committee was putting on a Camping 101 Seminar at the Northern Kettle Moraine.

Lorraine Ruck, Lenore Schroeder, and Sue Wellman won Door Prizes.

Larry Gage made a motion to adjourn and Don Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Jenkins
Secretary
WSHC District 5