

ADA Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes 5 December 2011

Attendance: Raena, Anne, Kari, Peggy, Gabby, Charlene, Erin, Marti, Lisa, Angie, Linda, Allison
Start time: 6:31pm

Review & Approve Minutes – Minutes were approved with grammatical corrections

ADA Website – Raena will have the website up and running by January. We are in need of photos for the website –they can be sent to Charlene or Raena
Lisa and Gabby will work on the youth rider page
Anne and Karri will work on the “how to” page on filling out the entry form

Treasurer’s Report – We have \$11533.00 in the bank (yahoo!! We made some money – bills will be paid). A majority of those funds came from Sponsors and Donations – Our goal for 2012 is get more money from sponsors and donors. Deana got a \$1000 scholarship from Alaska Airlines

Old Business:

Updates to Handbook/Omnibus

Tie clarification – USDF does not break ties therefore ADA will not break ties. Marti will update the handbook specifying these adjustments

Special classes will have a 1% adjustment per level

Adjust show awards: No more highpoint awards. But we will keep the awards of juniors vs seniors

We are all to check out other Dressage clubs to come up with a list of “Fun Awards.”

Lisa had already looked at the clubs in OR and WA and will discuss new ideas for ADA.

We will need a list of awards for the next meeting. Again ladies we need to find sponsors – don’t be shy, ask anyone with a paycheck

Shows – show committee

Deana working on judges, Marti is working on contracts with the Judges. Marti will also confirm is the Judge for the July 21 show is available for clinics

Dates are set: June 2, June 3, July 21 and August 4-5

Gabby and Lisa will be trained by Raena to be the “travel agents” for the judges and TDs

Angie will get the show dates for AQHA as well as clarify the rules for entering in the Opportunity classes

Kerri willing to add dressage to H/J shows next year - Linda

Linda is donating a toaster oven to ADA so that we can have warm tasty goodness at the shows –confirming we are doing food at the shows ourselves.

Again we need to find someone(s) to give us a large coffee pot; hot plate/pot-monetary donations are also acceptable

Angie will send a copy of our omnibus rates letter to the board members.

Banquet – thanks to everyone who helped: Lisa and Gabby will get the Haddad’s new address and will send that to Linda

ASH/Zone 12 Spring Forum: Lisa will work with ASH to get the dates for the Swap and Sell
ADA is willing to help with the costs and combine the Spring Forum with the Swap and Sell.

New Business:

2012 Omnibus – if you have information or advertisers for Omnibus please send to Linda. Linda will work with Deana to compare membership list and mail membership forms out.

Change that signers on the account – Raena, Anne and Angie will work with Credit Union 1 to update the signers on the account.

Track 2012 membership/horse recording/awards fee more accurately

USDF convention – Sigrun in attending.

From Peggy: Could you please have something on the agenda about awards. We should discuss what ADA will be awarding (Champ/Reserve, ADA shows/non ADA shows). Include Prix St. George as show awards and year end awards. Also a budget for show awards, as we are completely out. (Year end awards budget is based on how many are signed up for “awards” when they join, so that is already figured). This way I have a clear understanding of what the board has decided. I (with the help of Marti) would like to keep getting the awards(so this committee would be full for 2012), but if someone else really wants to do it, please let me know.

Thanks, Peggy

Lisa mentioned that Olsen’s Tack in WA as an option for prizes: Peggy will check Olsen’s out.

We will all vote on awards at the January meeting.

ASH Forum – rule changes do not impact dressage and will have no effect on ADA
– Yoga and Pilates presentations were great- see if we can use them again for the Swap & Sell/Spring Forum
ASH needs photos for their banquet photo montage

Newsletter: Angie will work on – article ideas are

Ask employers about grants for ADA (like Alaska Airlines)

The new “fun awards”

Reminder to get your show stuff ready

Recordings

Spring list check list

Membership form in the newsletter

Advertiser cards (not sure if you realized this, but we need all the money we can get – the more advertisers the better)

For our next meeting we would like a photographer

January we will elect our officers

Next ADA Board Meeting

Location IHOP on Muldoon

Jan 23rd at 6:30pm

ADA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Oct 3 2011

Attendance: Kari, Anne, Char, Marti, Linda and Angie

Start Time: 6:15pm

Review Approve Minutes: approved with corrections – few spelling/grammar errors

ADA Website – updates: Website will be up and running by the first part of January

Treasurers Report:

Old Business:

Update Handbook: We need to make “tie issues” more clearly. Specify that for high point on rider/horse of the year need to ride highest test of the level

Show – show committee: Continue to offer Eq. Classes –use our current announcement system. Special classes will have a 1% adjustment per level –Marti will send more information on this. Note that USDF cannot break a tie.

Banquet: Menu will be the same as last year. During the awards we will announce the major donors. Also ask again for people to donate their frequent flyer miles. Marti and Linda will figure out the calculations. Peggy has all the awards (horse, rider and volunteers). Lisa is in charge of the silent auction. RSVP's go to Linda. Victoria and Deana are on the nominating committee and in charge of finding new board of directors.

New Business:

Lisa's letter: We are happy to support Lisa in working with our youth members. Our website will be updated in January and Lisa would be willing to set up a youth page. We need to encourage more kids to come to the spring meeting for more education on the dressage shows. The website will continue to have the omnibus so that we are able to save on printing costs. We agree that we would like to have additional “fun” awards for next year. (Most improved funniest test, etc).

Region 6 – Convention – Contact: Linda will forward this information to Angie. Angie will look for Region 6 info on the USDF Newsletter (enews).

Other New Business:

Zone 12 & ASH Fall/Spring forum: if they do have a forum we would like to have ADA represent to encourage more riders for the 2012 show season.

For 2012: we will be changing the show end awards to be based on level not class. No high points. Need to take a look at combining shows with hunter/jumper and possibly have two judges at one show to help save on costs. Anne and Linda will chat with Kerri

about setting up a combo show. Need to clarify opportunity classes with AQHA. Angie will talk with AQHA members about that. It is very important that for 2012 we are more cautious as to our show dates and that they do not conflict with other shows.

The membership form that was sent out with the ballots was incorrect. The prices listed on the form were wrong.

Marti will check with Raena so that we know who paid the awards fee in 2011.

Next ADA Board Meeting: Dec 5th at 6:30pm at IHOP off of Muldoon in Tikahtnu Center

ADA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes August 22nd 2011

Attendance: Raena, Char, Peggy, Marti, Kari, Anne, Angie

Start time: 6:40pm

Review Approve Minutes: There were a few spelling errors and typos that need to be corrected. Minutes are approved with the corrections.

Treasurers Report: we have an extra \$8k in the bank... yahoo!! We had more donations and fewer expenses this year. Need to continue our campaign for donations. We are going to take care of food at our shows next year and not worry about using the concession stand at WCCEC

Old Business: No old Business

New Business:

Nominating Committee- Victoria volunteered to be a non-board member. Sue Benet, August Axtel, Kerri Geppert are potential back up for the nominating committee. We should see if someone from Homer would like to be a board member

Announce to members about nomination – Angie will send out a newsletter with nominating information and banquet invites

How many seats available? 4.

Biography due by 9/28

Show Committee Report:

End of year awards: Raena will get the report to Marti

Banquet: Oct 28th at O'Malley's on the Green

Clarify end of year awards instructions: we have a tie for the musical – need to come up rule for a tie in the musical. Need to clarify that the highest test of the level be ridden in order to get horse of the year and rider of the year. Need to update rules for Prix St George

~ We might look into having 2 judges in a weekend – we can save on the TD, vet, shoer

~ Still need to decide if we will do 3 shows or keep it at 2 like we have been. Would like to see what Kerri is doing w her show is summer.

~ Discussed email from Lisa regarding Gabby

ADA Website: Char and Raena are still working on the website – they have created a new site which is much easier to add things.

Dressage Building Projects:

Put the Dressage ring away... Contact Chamberlin to see when everything needs to be cleaned up – Linda is a potential candidate to look into fall clean up

Next years shows:

~We are only doing 2 shows with ADA

~ADA will only be responsible for ADA awards, not the non ADA show awards

Meeting ended: 8:01pm

Next meeting: Sept 19th at 6pm at IHOP

ADA Board of Directors

23 May 2011

Attendance: Carolyn, Anne, Amelia, Linda, Marti, Charlene, Peggy, Angie, Raena

Started at 6:30 pm

Review & Approve Minutes: Angie – a few minor adjustments with proper spelling, minutes were approved with corrections

ADA Newsletter – looked fine and Angie could possibly be a newsletter extraordinaire.

ADA Website: Charlene and Raena are making a new web page for ADA they estimate that it should be up and running by next month. The new website will allow us board member to add information ourselves and not be at the mercy of a few skilled technologically savvy ladies to do all the work...aka Char and Raena.

Treasurer's Report – Raena stated that we lost about \$300 from the last event. We currently have about \$8,000-9,000 in the bank. It costs about \$5,000 to run a show

Sponsors – thank you cards will be done by Peggy and Angie

Old Business:

Dressage Building Projects:

Look into a microphone to use with ADA system. The sound system sounded a little dodgy at the Schooling Show for the freestyle musical. Something we will need to check out before the next show

Tan Tent Parts? –Susie has contact information with the company and will order the two parts hopefully before she leaves for Spokane. This is necessary so that ADA can utilize the tent next year.

Potted Flowers – “Flower Power” Char will continue to be our official green thumb for the shows and keep those plants looking lovely

Dressage ring was set up and cleaned up at the spring clean-up – thank you to everyone who helped! It was noted that there are still some rocks that need to be removed from the arena and placed in a new home in the rock pile behind the fence.

Raena brought up that we should see if Anchorage Horse Council will help chip in for a better sound system. Something that everyone can use (not just ADA). It would be helpful for clinics, shows, etc.

Shows – show committee

- Shoers are signed and committed for specific shows
- We need to be sure that we have it posted at the show who the shoer on call is and who the vet on call is.
- ADA has an accident preparedness plan
- Angie will send out email reminders for entries for the May 27th show as well as a reminder of the upcoming clinic
- Anne will grab extra omnibus and bring them to M bar D and to the Hunter/Jumper shows
- Schooling shows/clinic – thank you to Raena for organizing it.
- ADA Show June 4/5, Clinic 6th (\$110) – Linda will organize. So far there are only 2 riders signed up for the clinic.

Anne, Raena, and Lisa will work on transportation for the judge.

Anne will check that we have EMTs for the June 4/5 show

- WCCEC INSURANCE: Insurance is in good order according to Raena. USDF and USEF needed our insurance information and updates.
- WCCEC Shows June 25 (PC Rally): Cass had a horse change question for the show. Anne will ask Kari about the horse change rules with Pony Club at the Schooling Show on Sunday
- August 6/7, Clinic 8th (\$135) – Deana is organizing the clinics for this show
- July 23/24 – Clinic (\$100) – Raena is organizing the clinics for this show

For 2011 each level test does not need to be color coded as it has in the past. This new rule is by both USEF and USDF

Raena brought up that taxes were not done last year for ADA. Charlene said that she would have her tax person look into and see what (if anything) we need to do.

Anne brought that when she talked to Lori Hackenberger that there is a \$50 fee for using the concession stand at WCCEC. Instead of using WCCEC concession, ADA will look into having a pop up tent set up and have our own concession stand.

Dressage Equitation Classes and Opportunity Classes for 2011 have been added to the list for the 2011 show season. It requires that we have an announcement system and Linda will bring her mike just in case it is needed.

Hawaii/Alaska Exception – Carolyn Haddad stated that we need to see if we are considered individual or affiliate. June 1st is the due date if we are considered an individual. September 1st is the due date if we are considered an affiliate.

Update on Handbook – Marti, Victoria and Charlene had worked hard on the hand book and it is officially done ☺

Omnibus information / advertisers

Advertisers have been billed. Angie and Peggy will be in charge of sending out thank you cards to all the sponsors.

New Business:

Daniel Stewart Clinics/Seminar will be on May 26th. The cost is \$20 to listen to his lecture.

Anchorage Economic Development Survey: See if we can get enough fellow equestrians to fill it out and see about improving equestrian activities in Anchorage.

Dover Saddlery asked if we would be willing to give up ADA member contact information in exchange for Dover gift certificates. We ruled against it.

Albion Saddles “Contact Saddles”: will be in Anchorage this summer. They asked that we send out the word to get as much interest as possible. Tentative date is the end of June

Anna Tileson will be taking pictures at the WCCEC shows this summer.

Next ADA Board Meeting: INFORMAL
Location: WCCEC
June 25th

Next Show Committee Meeting: INFORMAL
Location: WCCEC
June 4th

ADA Board of Directors – MARCH 2011 Minutes

Meeting Agenda 28 March 2011 Start time 6:05pm

Attendance: Linda, Raena, Angie, Peggy, Charlene, Kari, Anne, Marti, Carolyn, Amelia

Review & Approve Minutes – Angie – Yahoo! I did the minutes correct... no corrections!

ADA Newsletter – Will be ready before the May Schooling Show. Angie, the newsletter editor feels that you cannot rush greatness... So, it will be out by the end of April.

ADA Website - updates – Charlene/Raena

The Chamberlin shows need the dates posted on the website.

Treasurer's Report – Raena

Between \$7-8k in the bank. Most major bills are paid.

Membership fee increase as of 1 May to \$40

Old Business:

Dressage Building Projects: Snow is cleared out somewhat... 1 little pile by the judges booth

-Look into finding a microphone to use with ADA system -ongoing

-Tan Tent Parts? –Susie has contact information with the company and will order the two parts necessary so that ADA can utilize the tent next year.

-Mulch/Flower boxes in front of ADA building?

-Organize ADA Stall – Jumps in the stall – Lori H. knows about this

-Potted Flowers – “Flower Power” Charlene

Shows – Show Committee

-Schooling shows and Beale clinics May 5-8,

– Schooling show on the 7th,

– Pony Club clinic on the 8th

– Clinics \$70 per ride Reana- organizer

Clinic is almost full contact Reana to attend the clinic

There is the potential that an alternate location is needed for the clinics (in case the Center is too sloppy for riding)

- Show Managers – Anne will help Kerri with the 1st two shows and Anne will manage the July show.

- Show Secretary for July is still needed

- ADA Shows

-Show June 4/5, clinic will follow on the 6th

-Show August 6/7, clinic will follow on the 8th – Deana is the contact

- WCCEC Show on June 25 (Pony Club Rally)-might go over into Sunday in case more Pony Clubbers are doing the Opportunity and Intro classes. We might shorten the ring for the Intro and Opportunity classes in order to make the classes go more quickly

-Show July 23/24

Dressage Equitation Classes and Opportunity Classes for 2011 – they are added to class lists – Equitation description will be added to Omnibus

Hawaii/Alaska Exception – Carolyn Haddad wanted to double check what the rules are – they seem to

have done a rule change the end of March

Update Handbook – Marti/Victoria/Charlene – working – final draft ETA

- Marti will have a final draft soon.
- Board and Committee descriptions will be updated in the handbook
- Linda went threw and divided out the roles of the officers/board members and the various committees of ADA which will be published too.
- There will be other drafts and we will adjust as needed before final draft is published on website.

-Angie needs to forward the promo letter to Kari

Spring Meeting – Jeremy Beale lecture – Pot luck/Donation

Omnibus information / advertisers

- Clinic coordinators Reana/Linda/Deana
- Class list – done – sent to ASH
- New to Dressage Page (Intro/Opportunity) – Opportunity cannot cross enter
- Membership form – updated
- Advertisers
- Schooling shows ADA and Valley

New Business:

Change of Board member: Peggy took over for Susan and Peggy will be on the show committee
Char is #1, Peggy #2 and Carolyn is #3

Next ADA Board Meeting

Location: IHOP

April 25th Monday 6pm at IHOP

Next Show Committee Meeting:

April 11th at 6pm at IHOP on Muldoon

April 30th 10am Clean Up the center before the School Show

Meeting ended at 7:20pm

ADA Meeting

Attendance: Raena , Shelbie, Charlene, Kari, Anne, Angie, Marti,

Start Time:7:15pm

Linda=President, Marti = VP, Angie=Secretary, Raena= Treasurer

Angie=official contact

Minutes: need to add Angie as in attendance, “Angie will mentioned” grammar/spelling error – minutes are approved as corrected

ADA Website: Raena and Charlene are pretty savvy with the website. They probably will not be updating it as often as Mary Kaye, but they will do what they can. Let Charlene or Raena know of anything that needs to be added to the website. Anything referring to test 4 needs to be updated as a test 3, there is no longer test 4. Intro has 3 tests, A, B and C. The updated membership list is on the website.

Treasurers Report: approx \$10k in the bank... ADA needs more money so be cautious with spending. Peggy will talk to Raena on budget before buying additional ribbons.

Old Business:

Dressage Building projects: We are going to keep working on the building projects.

Stinkin' wishing well jumps managed to find a temporary home in the ADA stall at the Center.

Charlene will continue to be in charge of the Flowers and has the designation as ADA's “Flower Thumb.”

Oh the tent saga continues... we will eventually get parts, really...

Membership increases: the fee ADA pays to USDF increased therefore ADA members should pay more too. \$40 1st member, \$25 for any additional in the same household starting May 1st 2011. Membership form needs to be updated with the change.

Show- Show committee: Shows are in good shape. Just one of the shows is missing a TD (June 25th). There is one Schooling show this summer which has changed dates to May 7th with Jeremy. The Schooling show with Jeremy is something we need to check in with the Pony Club.

Kerry will not be here for the July show.

We can have a clinic with the judge after the June 4th show: cost will be \$115 (Judge charges \$85). We want to look at possibly doing a one day clinic.

1 day clinic in August with Natalie Lamping: cost is estimated at \$135 (we think she charges \$100) for her clinic. Something we need to look into.

June 4-5 ADA

June 25 Chamberlin – no TD

July 23-24 ADA

Aug 6-7 ADA Big Event

Prices have been renegotiated to pay the show secretary and show manager \$150 for the weekend and \$75 for one day show.

We need to be sure we get rid of the old test papers and order new ones since the test have changed this year

Marti is all set with contracts.

Dressage Equitation Classes and Opportunity Classes UPDATE: Currently we will offer the Opportunity Class at Intro level and Training level. Linda will look into the rules to see if we are allowed to add it for 1st level too. The price for these classes will be the same price as Intro level

ADA Award Banquet: Linda handed out 60% awards at the meeting (they were not handed out at the banquet)

HI/AK Exception: It was rejected... dang it... But, we will resubmit and mention that there is a distance variable, and that we are not looking for the same judge every show. But, we would like to use same TD for more then one show.

Update Handbook: We have a hard copy and need to find the word document so it can be edited.

Anna Tieston– Photographer: Shelbie will get in touch with her over the next few days and figure out the details. Will Anna be available for both the ADA and Chamberlin shows?

ASH Banquet: It was nice. ASH Dressage Divisions is fine. Feel free to give ASH feedback on ways that ASH could help out ADA.

Spring Meeting:

ADA would like to spend as little as possible so a potluck at someone's home would be a great option. Or we could just skip the spring meeting all together this year. Each of the board members are to brain strom on locations for the Spring Meeting and mention it at the February meeting

Topics: New tests and filling out the show entries. See if Deana will talk about how the shows are in the lower 48 with the new tests. .

Place:TBA

Date:End of March early April

WCCEC General membership Meeting is Jan 27:

AQHA: They have expressed interest that they still want to the dressage show for AQHA points. They understand that AQHA needs to pay the judge fees. Some of the AQHA members are planning on doing the schooling show.

Next board meeting: We will stick with having them on the 3rd or 4th Monday of the month. February 28th at Jitter's in Eagle River – unless we can find a different place... thinking about IHOP, Red Robin, or the ice cream/smoothie joint in the shopping center behind the AF Base.

Next Show Committee Meeting: TBA

Omnibus: We are looking for more businesses to advertise in the Omnibus. Angie will chat with Lisa Susich about finding sponsors and businesses to place ads with us.

“Are you new to Dressage or Thinking About Showing... See Here” Page in the omnibus and on the website.

Add a show check list and maybe add some “filler” pages.

Meeting ended at 8:55pm