

Arabian and Half Arabian Club of Oregon

The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm by President Lori Sage on February 1st, 2005 at the home of Chris and Sonya Bickford. Present at the meeting were Chris and Sonya Bickford, Sydney Allen, Kelly Comm, Mary Hansen, Donna Tolliver and Dolly Muhle. Excused members were Cheryl Deahn and Sue Foley. The minutes from the last meeting were read and Mary motioned the minutes be approved as read, motion was seconded and it passed.

Treasurers Report: No new news.

Correspondence: One newsletter was received from Region IV.

Annual Show: The Final Class schedule was handed out. NO CHANGES can be made now. There are 85 Championship classes. We have some jacket orders in already. Ribbon order is ready to go (and has been double checked). The vest order is in the works. The Dressage judge, Carey Evans, has been hired. Sydney Allen regretfully informed us that she will be unable to do the ribbons at this year's show. We are looking for a new helper for Sue Foley to organize and help with the ribbons.

Our entertainment has been hired. It will be a four-piece group and they will play Saturday afternoon, so it should be a great time. There was further discussion on the time the music will start and on when the working cow class will be held.

Open Show: Mary Hansen is busy getting the final preparations ready. The class list is ready and will be in the newsletter. Ribbons need to be ordered, and buckles need to be ordered. The Fairgrounds have been secured and paid for.

Membership: More are coming in every day!

High Point: Discussion on what further we can do to get this word out to our members. Ideas were discussed like sending a postcard to the winners, having information at the new-comers booth and getting new people from the club involved.

Newsletter: Discussion on keeping new ideas coming in. Discussion held on the feature article idea. Kelly is to do the next feature article. Possible ideas for feature idea include a high point member and then a feature article on each board member. The feature article assignment could rotate around to each board member.

Futurities: For the 2005 renewals we have 6 Arabian, and 10 Half-Arabian. For 2006 we have 9 Arabian and 7 Half-Arabian.

Region IV: No new news.

Annual Meeting: Discussion on changes to the annual meeting. There will be designated people to help set up and designated people to help clean up. The time this year was a bit too early to we will start later next year. The date we will try to move up one week next year. We are considering sending out a reminder postcard the week before. An idea of having the postcard with a raffle number on it was suggested. The postcards will be dropped in a box at the meeting and a prize given to the raffle number pulled.

Website: No new news.

Old Business: No new news.

New Business:

- The 2005 Annual Convention will be held in Dallas, Texas. Our elected delegates this year are: Chris Bickford, Sonya Bickford, Dolly Muhle, and the alternate is Roberta Benoit.
- Donna Tolliver regretfully submitted her resignation from the board for personal reasons, but will be volunteering when she can. We are very sorry to lose her as a board member.
- Roberta Benoit announced that someone she knows is looking for a horse to be donated to them for their daughter to ride. Their horse recently had to be put down and they can not afford to purchase a new horse for their young daughter. Can any members help???

Our next meeting will be Tuesday March 1, 2005 to be held at Chris and Sonya Bickfords. Members are encouraged to attend!!

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kelly Comm, Secretary

