

Meeting Minutes 10/19/16

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Katie Yaranon. Katie had the group all introduce themselves. She then reviewed the September minutes with the members.

Highlighted was Jon Saunders' nomination as Volunteer of the Year at the GDRD dinner on October 4. Jon was congratulated for his diligent work as DHA's webmaster and for also assisting Pam Greer with blasting information out to the membership when needed. Jon did let folks know that others have the ability to also send out blasts by logging into the DHA website. So, if anyone is interested in sending the blasts every once in awhile, they should let Jon know.

Katie announced that the DHA clean-up day will be the first Saturday of each month at Cronin Ranch at 8:30 for clean-up, riding or whatever other activity members would prefer doing while there. It is important that equestrians are out and using the trails. It is DHA's effort to show BLM our interest and participation to help with the upkeep of the Cronin Ranch staging area.

Katie read the "thank you" letter from the American River Conservancy in reference to the \$900 DHA donated towards the Salmon Falls Trails Project. These are the funds raised from DHA's barn tour fundraiser in May.

A potential speaker for next year could be Jo Clemitson. She would speak to members about animal nutrition, which would be an interesting topic for everyone.

Katie again reminded members that November is election month, and that all Board positions are open. Amusingly, members present voted to keep the current Board in place, and with some trepidation, the Board members relayed that they would go another term (two years). However, if any member is interested in taking one of the positions, he/she should contact Katie.

Another reminder, memberships paid now will be good through 2017. New Directories will be available probably next March.

On behalf of DHA, Katie donated the \$100 collected from members to ALS in behalf of Larry Goss. There is hope that a cure could be found for ALS in the next 10 years or so.

The November 16 meeting will again be celebrated with a Thanksgiving theme potluck. DHA will provide the turkey and members can bring their favorite side dishes. Of course, December 3 will be the combined DHA/EDETF holiday party at the Cool Community Center. The food will be catered and it is still to be determined who will be selected as this year's caterer.

There was much discussion regarding the planning of a horse camping event in 2017. It was felt that it should be close and easy to organize the trip. Early spring was mentioned and the preferred location is yet to be determined.

Steve Lenheim brought up a few items for brief discussion, such as (1) designating a potluck "theme" for every month, (2) the issue of motorized bicycles coming to our area and (3) a brief discussion about the Cool Community Association (formerly the Pilot Hill Grange). He also commented on how well Dru Barner now looks now that it is open again, as well as a couple other trails in our area.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

All the best, Charlotte