CCPS AGM 2022 Minutes

Meeting opened 1pm MST November 20 on Google Meeting

Present Jocelyn Davies, Bridget Wingate, Susan MacDougall, Irene Dunic, Myscha Stafford, Janet Rowe, Alicia Williams, Jeannie Walsh, Elsie Priddy, Chris Carey

President's Welcome

Jocelyn

2021 Minutes read by Elsie, accepted by Irene, seconded by Susan.

Treasurer's Report Bridget Wingate

Total in bank accounts December 31, 2021 \$9,098.60. Partial financial statement to October 31, 2022 total in accounts \$5,304.96.

Income and expenses are both slightly down. The 2021 stallion auction amount of \$2,975 was used to subsidize the 2022 inspections.

Membership income is down significantly.

Report approved by Elsie, seconded by Irene.

Region Reports

Central – Janet had numerous foals in 2022. Some Connemaras were competing. Inspections were held. A new breeder, Amber Anderson, is standing a purebred stallion in NB.

Pacific – There was limited showing by Connemaras in BC with the exception of Jennifer Brownlow. A couple new members were gained and a couple lost. A new Vancouver member has imported a gelding from Ireland. Prairie – Jocelyn had numerous foals in 2022.

Inspections

A successful inspection tour was held in the Toronto area of the Central Region with inspector Sarah McCrae Thrasher from Vermont and Canadian inspectors Shirley Sauve and Susan McDougall. Thank you to hosts, helpers and presenters of ponies. Revenue from inspection fees was \$1276 and expenses \$4189. The net cost of \$2913 was covered by the stallion auction. Plans will be made for inspections in the west in 2023.

Registration

Few new registrations yet for 2022, most breeders register in the fall when they have more time.

New inspection seals need to be purchased – Bridget and Jocelyn will collaborate.

Elsie will send the new logo file to the CLRC and Jocelyn.

Jocelyn and Bridget will change the registration policy to allow foals where one parent is N/N and one parent is HWSD/HWSD to be exempt from HWSD testing as the results are known to be N/HWSD.

CLRC No report.

Awards

The 2022 Foundation Broodmare Award went to Kestral 1st, an imported Irish bred mare that produced many Canadian foals. Jocelyn will prepare a write-up and find photos for the website and newsletter. Info will also be added to the archive page on Facebook.

Webpage

No report.

Promotions

- Bridget reports no change to the Stallion Directory. Stallion owner's pay a one time fee of \$30 for all future listings

of each stallion.

- Myscha reported that there were no entries for the Connemara Pony Virtual Ceilidh. Efforts will be made in 2023 to find a convenient location for an in person show and the virtual show will be represented, perhaps being held in summer rather than in fall. Photos and video from any date in the show year will be accepted.
- Items are still available for purchase with the CCPS logo through My Stable online. Thank you to Jeannie for purchasing a toque and hoodie to donate to a raffle excellent promotion.
- Janet and Myscha contacted over 30 equestrian associations asking for interest in a year end high point award for participating Connemaras. Only the ON Eventing Association replied. Riders may submit their ponies' names by November 30. It was suggested we ask our provincial eventing associations if they will participate.
- -Jeannie and Marilyn submitted a budget, enrollment form and tally sheet for the Ride and Drive Program.

The program aims to encourage people to buy registered ponies and/or a membership as the program offers rewards for time spent riding and/or driving. Participants can be non-owners who lease or take lessons on Connemara ponies. Prizes are based on time spent.

- -Janet and Jocelyn will organize a 2023 Stallion Auction. Donations of items will be gladly accepted.
- -Bridget proposed Elsie purchase a \$100 item for the Society to add to the auction from My Stable. Seconded by Susan.

Membership

Report submitted by Jennifer listing eight new members.

Newsletter

Myscha will try to produce two editions for 2023. Copies will be emailed to the few members who do not have an email address.

Archives

Jocelyn, Bridget and Susan will meet to discuss the archives.

Arbitration

Bridget notes no issues.

HWSD

Jocelyn reports there are no HWSD foals being produced in Canada. There are improvements in Ireland as HWSD status is part of their inspections now.

By-Laws

David Truss (Ag Canada) announced his upcoming retirement. Bridget thanked him for his helpful suggestion, while writing the by-laws, that some policies not be by-laws as our committees can rewrite policies as required.

New Proposals/Other Business

- Chris Carey is stepping down from her position as chair of the Foundation Broodmare Award. Jeannie Walsh is welcomed as the new chair with Bridget and Elsie also on the committee. Bridget stores the trophy and adds the plaques yearly. Winners have received a certificate with a photo of the trophy. It was suggested by Jocelyn and agreed that a better quality certificate, plaque or medal in a plaque or frame be awarded.
- -Janet initiated a discussion proposing changes to the scoring system for inspections and considerations for unusual circumstances such as the possibility of inspecting a colt which has been injured and cannot be compared to the standard for movement. The inspection committee will meet to further discuss the concerns presented including awarding a premium scored mare premium status once she has produced a purebred foal. Concerns and suggestions should be sent to the Inspection committee (Susan, Chris, Tracy Dopko, Shirley, Margot) and the President, Jocelyn, by written message or email.

Election of Board/Nominations

-Laura and Myscha continue on the board of the Central Region with Lee as the Chair. Proposed by Bridget, seconded

by Jocelyn.

- -Elsie will stand again for the Prairie Region with Bridget, Jocelyn remaining as Chair. Proposed by Susan, seconded by Irene.
- -Margot continues on the Pacific Region board with Irene as Chair. Jennifer is nominated by Jocelyn, seconded by Bridget. Jocelyn will ask Carolynn Blanchett to stand next year.

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Plans will be made in 2023, perhaps in conjunction with inspections in the west.

Jocelyn moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 MST. Seconded by Susan.