

## Tri-State Riding Club Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2012

### Marion DuPont Scott EMC Library

**Attendees** – Nancy Byrd, Rhonda Boatwright, Judy Brescia, Patty Tracy, Mary Gustafson, Linda Giannino, Pat Brescia, Marilyn Davis, Karen Ingerson, Liz Shockley, Andrea Justus

**Intro Remarks** – The meeting was called to order by our president, Nancy Byrd, at 7:00. Nancy reported that at Tuesday's meeting of the Loudoun County Equine Alliance it was decided a group would be formed to meet with the Director of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority in August or September for the purpose of introducing the Equine Alliance to the Park Authority, explaining to them who we are, and outlining our goals for the future of the equine industry in Loudoun County. The group will be comprised of a representative from each of Tri-State, USTR and LHA. Linda G offered to represent Tri-State in this group; Nancy and Patty T will be her back-ups. The representatives will meet among themselves prior to meeting with the Director.

A discussion was held about the situation at the Lovettsville Park as well as other parks in the area. Tri-State was asked to participate again in a fundraising trail ride for Lovettsville Park. A general discussion was held regarding the development of equestrian facilities at the various parks and what level of involvement Tri-State would be capable of providing. It appears that the Northern VA Regional Park Authority is more amenable than Loudoun Co. to developing equestrian use facilities at parks in the area. We discussed the club's limited volunteer pool and that we would like to spend our money and energy where there is more promise of seeing results in the near term. Nancy will respond to Mary Terpak to tell her that, while Tri-State does support the master plan for the Lovettsville Park, we lack the resources to actively participate with its development at this time.

**Hampton Hill** – A discussion was held about the possibility of making some enhancements to Hampton Hill in lieu of rental fee. Linda, Liz, Mary and Pat will follow up on this to see if this is a viable option.

**Summer Trail Ride at Valley View** – We currently have 18 riders signed up for this ride. (Note: this was cancelled due to rain. It will now be held at 9am on Saturday, 9/8/2012 with a pot luck lunch to follow).

**Poker Ride** – Entries have been trickling in. We need a couple of dealers and some people to mark trail on 8/11. Patty, Judy, Linda and Pat all signed up to mark trail and Marilyn signed up to be a dealer.

**Club Roster** – a roster listing members' names, phone numbers and towns will be put on the website in a password protected area. Members were requested to opt in or out of listing.

**Treasurer's Report** – Liz gave the treasurer's report. We are solvent and the 4 camps showed a little profit.

**Camp** – Next year a group will meet with Sharon to determine how break out the camp groups.

**Polo Clinic** – We had a big response and may have to have several sessions.

**Raffle** – Linda Giannino won the free lesson.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Brescia