

**TWHA Meetings 10.12.11
at Kirsten Whitsett's House in Lafayette**

Attending: Page Schorer, Ute Frey, Eric Schroeder, Susan Palo, Kirsten Whitsett, Morris Older, Gary Fitts, Jenni Smith, Marilyn Terstegge

Minutes (Ute): couldn't approve August minutes. Will send them out with October minutes.

Membership (Page): 2 new members

Treasury: Kim not present but he emailed the following Treasurer's report

Club balance \$15,858
Six Day ride Balance \$8,945
TWHA Balance \$6,913

Newsletter (Morris): Morris has photos of EBHR but few articles. Susan will do something on the August 27 Trail Work Day.

EBATC (Marilyn and Morris): EBATC picnic at Point Pinole with 25 horses and hikers present. Proposal that trail in Garin Park be opened to bikes, and maybe to horses too. In the end both uses deemed inappropriate. Spring Stampede in question for economic reasons. Trash for Trails filled 6 containers with bailing twine for recycle. Marilyn proposes that barns start collecting and will serve as our contact.

Labor Day Ride: Slow sign-ups at first, grew from 9 to 35 horses shortly before ride; similar with hikers. Considering discount for early bird registrations. Fewer people did the whole 5-6 days. \$500 donated to Ridge Trail. Raised less money this year because we didn't have matching gift from Bay Area Barns and Trails. Details at the December meeting.

Membership Survey: Lisa not present, but survey is close. Need to beta test soon for results to be ready at annual meeting.

Trails and Troughs Work: Grizzly Peak Trail still needs work. Lower Vollmer has been worked on. TWHA to propose having troughs at steam trains and Es Anderson maintained by TWHA and Park Service (TWHA will clean out at spring and fall work days). Susan to check with vets on recommendations for how to maintain troughs

TWHA Donation Strategy (Kirsten): in past TWHA donated money to camperships (for East Bay kids to come and enjoy the parks). TWHA hasn't given much in recent years. Designate a donation month/meeting during which TWHA designates donations, maybe December. We should create a year-end financial report (ask Kim to bring pie charts to next meeting).

Meet a Horse Day (Becky): Becky not present

D&O Insurance: Must have Lila present to discuss. Let's ask Kim to get estimate and precise coverage description.

Annual Membership Meeting: 4th Monday in January: 1/23/12

- Locations: Use Golf Course as default. Ute to check UC Botanical Garden, Gary to check Kennedy Grove and Trudeau Center. Kirsten and Ute to coordinate.(Last year we paid \$17 plus tax and tip. Charged \$20.
- Speaker: Jenni to ask Lindsey Grimm. Ute to check with Cory Soltau and Cindy Schleuss.

December Holiday Party on 12/3 or 10: Gary to send out email re date, potluck and dirty Santa. Morris to check with Debbie re club house.

Idea parking lot:

Board Meeting Discipline: get here on time.

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