



The January GCSCA meeting was called to order on January 19, 2009 by President Lisa Paquet at 7:45 pm at the Country Kitchen in Cannon Falls.

Roll call was as follows: Cannon Falls, Hay Creek, Pine Island, and Saddlelite – all clubs present.

The **Secretary's Report** was read and approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

Nov. Beginning Balance: \$1440.76. GCSCA Banquet Expenses (awards, meals, entertainment, auction) \$2827.74, deposits: \$3955.48. Nov. Ending Balance: \$2568.50.

Dec. Expenses: numbers \$128.25, accrual entry \$150.00. Dec. Deposits: \$225.00. Dec. Ending Balance: \$2515.25.

A few notes of interest are:

- In 2008 we earned \$106 from Country Supply.
- The Annual Show brought in \$1077.00.
- Expenses for the 2008 Annual Banquet were \$3707.00.
- It's been estimated that GCSCA will have approximately \$570 less income without Rainbow Saddle Club.

Old Business:

- The Liability forms will be compiled and a new one for GCSCA will soon be available for approval.
- The turned in show bills were reviewed. It's been suggested that the Poles & Barrels classes for pet pony state
 - Pet Pony 48" & under, 10 & under
 - Pony 54" & under, 13 & under.
- GCSCA will pay for the replacement Hi-Point buckle because of misspelling. The family will order the corrected one and will be reimbursed by GCSCA.
- There is still discussion regarding not advertising in the Spotlight or On Deck. The question is: will we be losing significant income because of possible lower entries? It had been voted on and passed NOT to advertise prior to this – and that is how it stands, as of now.

2009 Show Dates

May 30 – Hay Creek (Open Fun Show)	Ellsworth Fairgrounds
June 13 (Games) – Saddlelite	Rainbow Arena
June 14 (Pleasure) – Saddlelite	Rainbow Arena
June 21 – Pine Island	Island Riders Arena
June 27 (Games) – Hay Creek	Ellsworth Fairgrounds
June 28 (Pleasure) – Hay Creek	Ellsworth Fairgrounds
July 18 (Games) – Cannon Falls	Cannon Falls Arena
July 19 (Pleasure) – Cannon Falls	Cannon Falls Arena
August 1 & 2 – Cannon Falls (Annual Show)	Cannon Falls Arena
August 22, Over the Hill Show – Saddlelite	
August 23 Youth Show – Saddlelite	

New Business:

- It's that time of year again for assembling the GCSCA Books. Please encourage your members to go out and get Sponsors to advertise in it. The requirements this year are:
 - 125 copies (may be colored paper and may be double sided) on **standard-size paper** (8.5 x 11").
 - \$25.00
 - Please NO pre-punched copies; they will be punched at the assembly to ensure consistent alignment for easier assembling.
- The GCSCA permanent numbers for 2009 will begin with the 3 ____ series. They will once again cost \$1.00. To receive your number a *copy of a current 2009 Coggins* is needed and the Liability Form will need to be signed. This is to make entering easier for you and the workers in the entry stand.
- There was a suggestion to have heavy-duty "permanent" numbers, but because of the increase in cost, it was decided to stay with the type of numbers that we've used in the prior years.
- It's been decided to let each club decide if they would allow exhibition riders in the classes. It should be stated on the show bills and the entrants must wear an "E" so the judge doesn't place them.
- The 2009 entry cards are to be the smaller size (4.25" x 5") or ¼ sheet.
- Cool Horse had a box of gifts that didn't make it for the banquet. It has been suggested to have drawings for the items at the book assembly.
- The GCSCA book assembly will be March 14th, at 10:00 am at **Red Wing Software**, 419 Hwy. 19, Red Wing, MN. This is .4 mi from the intersection of Hwy. 61 & Hwy. 19. A potluck lunch will follow. Bring your favorite dish to share!
- Congratulations to the 2009 GCSCA Officers:
 - President – Lisa Paquet
 - Vice President – Andrea Plumb
 - Secretary – Donna Steffenhagen
 - Treasurer – Carole Adams
 - Points Keeper – Carole Adams
 - BOD – Tony Banitt & Jason Clausen
- Please send your Club Officers & Delegates lists plus any function & dates for the Calendar of Events. They are needed ASAP so the lists can be made for the GCSCA books. Please list their name, address, phone # & cell # if desired. Send them to: Donna at donna@diamonddquarterhorses.com.
- There was a question regarding the age break-down difference in one of the shows. The classes with age range are listed in the GCSCA By-Laws. Those points are transferred to the appropriate range for year-end awards. It would make it easier for the points-keeper if all clubs followed the listing for their GCSCA shows, but it's not mandatory.
- The new GCSCA Trail Riding Program is now in effect! Please see the GCSCA Website for directions. www.geocities.com/gcscassoc/
- Egg & Spoon is listed as a "Game Event" in the WSCA rule book. When a club has a 2-day show, it is allowable to show the same horse both days (it is 2 different shows and 2 different days), but GCSCA points will only be counted on the "Game" Day. PLEASE MAKE A NOTE ON YOUR SHOW BILLS ON **PLEASURE DAY** THAT THESE POINTS DON'T QUALIFY FOR GCSCA POINTS.
- Next meeting will be February 16, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the Country Kitchen in Cannon Falls.
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Steffenhagen / GCSCA Secretary

