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Officers:

Trudy Bickford, President
Riley Morse, Vice-President
Cathy Small, Treasurer
Sandy Craig, Secretary

Board of Directors:

Nancy Weeks – 2017
Sandy Craig – 2017
Sally Labree - 2017

Riley Morse – 2016
Melissa Bourgoïn – 2016
Nora MacDonald – 2016

Donna Tripp – 2015
Julie Anderson - 2015
Cathy Small – 2015

HOOFBEATS

Official Newsletter of The M T R A

THE NEXT MEETING IS
NOVEMBER 7, 2015

President's Stall

Thank you to all that came on Sunday to help out at the fun show! It was cloudy, but was still a fun day and average turnout.

The meeting in November is our annual election of officers and board members. Please join us on Saturday to set the officers for 2016 and elect three board members. We also need ideas to make next year lots of fun!

Trail rides have ended for the year, but we have a few things remaining to work on! First, we could still use some donations for the porta-potty that was at the Mt Vernon ride. If anyone has any good ideas for fun events for next year, please send them our way so planning can begin.

We are beginning to plan for the annual awards banquet. At the meeting on Saturday we will be looking to set a date for a trail committee meeting to begin planning. We hope you can join in and share your thoughts and ideas. If you cannot make a meeting, you can send your thoughts and ideas to me or to Julie Anderson.

It's membership renewal time! Those that have their 2016 membership in by the December meeting will be put into a drawing for a free membership. The winner chooses whether to get their money back for 2016 or to have their 2017 membership free.

See you at some upcoming club events!

Trudy.

**Our Next Meeting:
November 7, 2015 at 7:30PM**

Notice to Members



Saturday, November 7 is the annual membership meeting to elect officers and board members!



Nominating Committee

The election of officers and board members takes place at the annual membership meeting on November 7. If you are interested in a board position or an officer position, or wish to recommend someone, please contact one of the following people:

Melissa Bourgoin – 207-576-2721 or email gamblingforcash@yahoo.com

Sally Labree – 207-933-9163

We need nominations for all four office positions (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary). We need nominations for three board of director positions.

Upcoming Events

Please note: the event calendar will be posted at the clubhouse prior to all meetings. The calendar will not be read at the meetings. Club meetings are at 7:30 P.M. unless posted otherwise.

Nov 7 – Annual Club meeting, at the MTRA club house

Dec 12 - Club meeting and Christmas Party, at the MTRA club house

Ride Information

Contact the trail secretary, Cathy Small, to sponsor a ride:

Email: Cathy@MaineTrailRiders.com

Phone: 207-582-2093

Notice to Members

Annual Membership Contest

All members that have their 2015 dues paid by the night of our Christmas Party will have their name entered in a drawing for a one year free membership. Hurry and mail the attached membership application to our secretary today!

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Sandy Craig

The September 18, 2015 meeting was called to order by Riley Morse @ 7:31 p.m.

Guests Introduction / New Members: No Report

Secretary's Report: Posted in the September Hoofbeats, motion to accept as posted by Nancy, seconded by Suzanna and passed

Treasurer's Report: Copies of report passed out to general membership for review.

Board of Director's Report: Meeting needs to be scheduled for October. Riley will pass the information onto Trudy so a BOD e-mail can be sent out to the BOD members to schedule a date.

Committees:

Trail Report: 9/19/15 Blazin a Trail for a Cure has been cancelled due to lack of participation. It's a ton of work for one or two members to handle. Will hold further discussion around the beginning of the year to see if there is a future interest.

Show: November 1, 2015 Fall Fun Show. Who is running the show? Nancy is going to put an e-mail out to general membership to see if there is enough help to assist the Juniors with running the show. Sandy spoke with regards to the Topsham show and thanked all volunteers for their time and effort.

Publicity Report: No Report

Building and Land: Per Nancy more than ¾ of the building has been painted. 4-H has painted the

majority of the ring they will be working on getting the rest of the ring done over the next month.

Fund Raising: Riley spoke with regards to the NBHA state show to be held at Litchfield Fair Grounds. Missy will be heading the handling the food booth set up and volunteers. Contact Missy if you can volunteer for a time slot. She will need donations of muffins, whoopee pies, cookies, etc. Missy will send out an e-mail as well as face book request for additional volunteers.

Food Committee Report: Per Nancy income was about the same for 2015 Topsham Fair as was in 2014.

Entertainment Committee Report: No report

Parade Committee Report: No report

Hospitality Committee Report: No report

Junior's Report: Nancy will schedule a junior work-bee to get the grounds ready for the November show.

Correspondence Report: No report

Old Business: No report

New Business: No report

Remarks for the Good of the Order: No report

Membership Count: 10 Seniors / 3 Juniors / 4 Dogs

Raffles or Mystery Gifts: No Report

Brag: No report

Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Suzanna, seconded by Lynn and passed @ 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Craig, Secretary



Shirley Ride, October 4, 2015

Tip of the Month

Information found under the Tip of the Month may be on the Junior Test at the end of the year.

Pack like a Pro:

When you're traveling, the last scenario you hope for is an emergency. In the event one does occur, though, you'll want to be prepared. Here's a list of items you'll want to pack to keep you covered.

Electrolytes. Though a supplement should've been administered prior to the trip, if your horse gets dehydrated even after drinking enough water on a long trip, a few extra doses are convenient to have on hand.

Banamine paste. A small dose can ease inflammation due to an injury or discomfort if your horse colic's. Consult with your veterinarian first if your horse colic's on the road.

Clippers. Preferably cordless, clippers allow you to clean up hair around a wound.

Sterile cleaning solution. Clean a wound with diluted betadine or chlorhexidine.

Antibiotic ointment. To apply to an injury or laceration and prevent infection.

Bandage material. If you need to apply a standing bandage, you need several cotton bandages, gauze, Vetwrap, and elastic tape.

Stethoscope, thermometer, stopwatch. To check your horse's vital signs on the road. An abnormal temperature or pulse could indicate an issue.

Sedative. If you have to unload your horse in a stressful situation, have sedation on hand could be of huge help. Talk to your vet about options and administration before the trip.

Source: Horse & Rider Magazine, July 2015

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Vienna, July 25, 2015

General Information

Website

<http://mainetrailriders.com>

If you have info to submit to the website, please contact Trudy Bickford by phone 207-720-0550 or email trudybickford@mainetrailriders.com.

Hospitality

Please help Cathy by keeping her informed on anything where the club should send out a card or more. She can be contacted via email at:

Cathy@MaineTrailRiders.com

Editor's Note

The deadline for submissions for the December issue is **November 24**. Send your email address if you would like to receive this newsletter via email. Photos and tips are welcome! Send to:

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Mt Vernon, October 7, 2012