

OGBRA Fall Meeting 11/8/09

OGBRA 2009 Fall Meeting, Homecoming Restaurant, Bellefontaine OH
Meeting called to order by President Beth Weaver at 2:20pm. 12 members present.
Treasurer was not in attendance. Treasury balance to date read by Cheyenne Niekamp
was \$3219. Outstanding money owed to OGBRA was discussed.

Old Business: Fall Show: Jan Colson passed out fall show income/expense report. Fall show was not as successful as previous years. It was a good thing the Champaign County Fair Grounds was much more inexpensive than indoor arenas or we would not have made the money we did. Current year profit was \$1032. 2008 May show profits were approximately \$2800. We did clear all expenses. Discussion made over 2010 money making projects. The group decided that they preferred putting on a show as our must work money maker. The group decided we would return to our beginning of May show. Discussed location. No location was decided. Members are asked to think about locations possible. **Midwest Matches:** Discussion over matches and awards. It was noted that Ohio Team won 2nd place, cash and awards. Ohio Team won best dressed. Discussion over the fact that the best dressed trophy was broken when received. Colson's donate money to have it fixed as well as putting Ohio plaque on trophy. Suggestions made that who ever attends the match meeting note that trophy was received broken and why that would be. It was, also, noted that it seemed that Ohio men wanting to run at matches appeared to be a problem. The problem seemed to be the fact that we didn't have a Mens association nor a full team. It was noted that the fact that Ohio doesn't have a men's association should be emphasized at the Midwest meeting. Everyone had a good time at the matches. Jan Colson mentioned that we need to be cultivating relationships with vendors to obtain awards for 2011 matches. We will need 2 saddles as well as team awards. Small discussion over where to hold matches. **Excused Members-**Membership discussed the fact that there are members eligible for awards not at the fall meeting and did not send an excuse. It was noted that everyone received rules by email or by mail (those noting that they want items mailed). Ignorance of the rules is not an excuse. Jan discussed that she emailed/mailed notice of meeting. Meeting was listed on the web site as must attend. Beth Weaver noted that OGBRA is run by its members and we need their participation. It was emphasized that members need to read emails or if they have a problem with receiving emails to contact the OGBRA secretary and change their status to mailing club information.

New Business: Awards and Banquet by Vice President Lorraine Ruppert. Award selection meeting date is November 22nd 2pm at Lorraine Ruppert's home. It was noted that this year is OGBRA 50th year. Group discussed as to preference for banquet date. January 30th date was recommend. The group was excited to hear that Texas Roadhouse was again donating the banquet dinner. Lorraine noted that everyone is to bring their own drinks, table service, and a dessert. Lorraine will send out banquet information/invitations. 2009 Banquet to be held at Home Bank downstairs meeting room. Wapakoneta, Ohio. **Special Award** voting took place. Lorraine Ruppert noted to the membership that award recipients MUST pick up awards at meeting or make arrangements with Lorraine before banquet night. IF you want your awards mailed, the

mailing amount will be deducted from your awards. If you do not make arrangements to receive your awards, they will be retained by OGBRA for next year.

New Year Spectacular, will be at Circle G Arena this year. Jan Colson offered to put OGBRA approved classes into the New Year show in exchange for OGBRA working the Cowboys Barrel Class. Membership approved working Cowboys Barrel Class. Jan Colson offered this show as a money making event for OGBRA members. It was suggested that OGBRA members could earn money for the club by working 2 hrs per member. Jan Colson will pay OGBRA for that time worked. Members must be on the sign up sheet to get credit. Anyone can cover your time as long as your assigned job is done. Jan noted that anyone interested in making additional money working at this show should let Jan know and then be added to the work list. Please settle your time with Jan at the end of the show. **OGBRA show labor:** Jan Colson talked about that some shows interested in OGBRA approval have requested OGBRA help to work a class. Jan wanted to emphasize to the membership that this is a way to work into better shows. Jan Colson asked: Does the club want to trade help for show approvals if this is a way to obtain better shows? The club agreed that we want to be in better shows and they approve continuing this option if it helps to obtain better show approvals. Limit it to working one class. Jan Colson noted that EVERYONE needs to pitch in..not a few. Even if you cant help yourself, for some reason, try to have someone help for you. The job doesn't belong to a few. Everyone gains when we work as a team.

Rule changes for 2010 – Jan Colson brought up raising the penalty for not working a show to \$25 instead of \$12. Membership declined. No rule changes for 2010.

Officer elections for 2010: President- Beth Weaver; Vice President- Mary McKinley; Treasurer- Lisa Bowser; Secretary- Jan Colson; Publicity Secretary- all members; Point Secretary-Chris Zehender; Directors/Trustees: Teresa Quay, Cheyenne Niekamp, Penny Baker, Lorraine Ruppert, Chris Zehender-pee wee.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50