June 2025 Meeting Minutes

June 3rd 2025

7:00 meeting commenced.

Attendees:

In person: Gary Nelson, Melanie Wolters, Carolyn Vacyk, Maddy Francis, Mandie Armstrong, Ali Sauve + Dylan, Chris Beaune, Pam McFadden, Maggie Miall,

Online: Amanda Crowe, Beth Ruggaber, Lexi and Ashlyn Miuccio, Christine & Bri Shanahan, Tinna Loannis, Gale Brydon, Linda Brevard, Kirsten Lawton.

May meeting minutes were read by Gary Nelson.

Motion to accept made by Gary Nelson, seconded by Ali, accepted by all.

Treasurer report was read by Gary Nelson.

	General Account	Charity Account	Building Account
Balance	7012,12\$	11759,08\$	2045,50\$
Deposits	1854,70\$	\$0	
Payments total	2418,05\$	480,86\$	

Motion to accept treasurer report as written made by Gary, seconded by Melanie accepted by all.

Old business:

- **BINGO** permit was re-submitted. Bingo people are asking for proof of ownership for the tractor, Ali is working on finding this through 20 years of files. Our permit was re-issued April 8th to be reinstated May 1st, we didn't find out about this until after we missed two BINGO sessions. The club was made aware roughly the 18th of May, despite many e-mails exchanged back and forth regarding reports.
- BINGO's are re-instated and we have acquired additional sessions to work.
- Increasing facebook activity: The posters are done and ready to be posted.
- **Junior Shows**: Maddie is planning on doing some extra dates to account for shows that will likely be rained out. The dates are below:
 - June 8th Morgan McCarthy will be the judge of this show
 - July 12
 - August 17th
 - Sept 28th
 - · October 12th
- **Grounds cleanup:** Rock picker to be looked into, games pen needs the sand pulled away from the outer edge. Tyler Pyne (Kirsten Lawtons husband) has a potential solution lined up Barb has made a donation towards a sponsorship.
- If Bingo's don't pick back up, we'll have to streamline costs to run things on the bare minimums. We currently have enough to pay taxes, upkeep on grounds and classics judges for the year.
 - Discussion of different ways to make revenue (more learning days? Structured riding nights and charging an admission fees, movie night at the ground, etc.). for us, we will discuss at next meeting. Waiting on the grounds to dry up and to get in there. Will

Sykes has a rake as well that we could use. Duran Farmwear, Beth has nominated the club.

New business:

- Goats and ropes: Potential issue with insurance, need to discuss a couple options:
 - Option A: Goats and Ropes are run through SOTC, money is deposited into the SOTC bank account and set aside for year end awards like the speed shows used to run. This would require a specific outline of the exact money that comes in + all entries.
 - Option B: Create a "rental" contract for the grounds where Goats & Ropes charges a 10,00\$ arena fee per horse and rider (this would go towards fuel for tractor and money to go toward taxes). They keep their additional money like they did last year. Entry list would have to be submitted to account for money coming in to submit to Ali for treasurers report.
- **Treasurers reports:** Things will need to be a lot more specific money wise because BINGO is getting a lot pickier with their forms.
- Carbon paper for entries, Lorraine Soulliere will look take care of this for us.
- **Playground:** this either needs to be updated or removed as there are liability concerns. Potential to put in a sandbox or something in.
- **Neighbours dogs:** We need to address an issue with their dogs coming on our property, as there was an incident at the last show. If there is an incident on our property, a board member needs to be made aware so we can address the issue. We also need to look into putting no trespassing signs, these grounds are private, etc to ensure we're covering ourselves.
- **Timers:** potential need to replace the timers after they were improperly stored through the winter in the tower mice have gotten into them and destroyed the antennas.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Gary and accepted by all. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: July 1st 7:00pm.