

**ILLINOIS STATE STOCK HORSE ASSOCIATION
SPRING MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2015**

President Brian Sorensen brought the spring meeting of the Illinois State Stock Horse Association (ISSHA) to order March 22, 2015, at the Long Branch Saloon, Amboy, Illinois. Secretary/Treasurer Jenna Walker took roll call with President Sorensen, Vice President Don Phelps, Secretary/Treasurer Jenna Walker, nine directors, 18 assistant directors, and 12 members present.

Tom Fortune made a motion to approve the Fall 2013 Meeting Minutes and January 2014 Meeting Minutes, seconded by Phylis Dalldorf. Motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Jenna Walker read the Treasurer's Report and passed out a copy to all. Jimmy Judd made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Perry Feller. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 100 Mile Trail Ride, Green River Saddle Club, Amboy, IL, September 7-11, 2015
 - Mt. Carroll was not an option this year as we were unable to make contact with them.
 - The ISSHA will pay Green River Saddle Club a flat fee of \$4,250.00 for the 2015 ride. The more people that come, the more money the association makes.
 - The ISSHA will supply the dumpster. Don Phelps will look into renting a small dumpster which will be dumped more than once throughout the week.
 - Regi Fortune submitted the name of a band for future events.
 - The ISSHA will rent a 20' x 30' tent from Fiesta Tents. Fiesta Tents will set the tent up Sunday, September 6, 2015. The cost is \$375.00, including the \$125.00 setup fee, plus \$50.00 per day.
 - Showers will be made available at Mendota Hills at the cost of \$1.00 per day.
 - Early camping for all sites (electric or non-electric) is \$20.00 per night. You can arrive any time the week prior to the ride. No charge for camping fees once the ride begins.
 - Four-wheelers and other off-road vehicles are allowed.
 - Discussion was held regarding raising the pre-registration cost for the 2016 ride. The matter was tabled until the September meeting.
 - Meals will cost the ISSHA the same amount as in 2014. We do not have to pay the cook mileage this year.
 - A Fun Show is planned for Saturday, September 5, 2015. The time will be determined. The ISSHA will use product inventory as prize awards for the winners of each event. The Green River Saddle Club granted the association permission to use their public announcement (PA) system and timer for the show. Discussion was held regarding insurance coverage. The ISSHA insurance policy covers all participants in ISSHA events.
 - The Green River Saddle club will provide a band Saturday night, September 5.
- Perry Feller held discussion regarding the Trail Boss Report. As of the date of this meeting, there are no assistant trail bosses signed up. Please let Perry know if you wish to be an assistant, or have suggestions for an assistant.
- Jenna Walker and Phylis Dalldorf updated the association on the website. Jenna has the new site up and running.
- Don Phelps reported on the merchandise.
 - Don Phelps is looking into Amboy's local store to provide our 2015 shirts.
 - Nancy Larimore made a motion to use the small merchandise for Horse Fair, Phylis Dalldorf seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Merchandise will be donated as prizes for Mystery Bingo.
 - Discussion was held about future merchandise. The ISSHA will no longer carry jackets in our inventory. If you are interested in ordering a jacket, it will be pre-ordered. We discussed iron-on decals depicting the year and/or ride location. Ginny Gansen will look into this and let the executive committee know her results.
 - We discussed putting a link for merchandise on the website.
 - Tom Fortune said Kim's Along the Trail does their saddle club shirts and coats and does a nice job. He will provide their contact information to us.

- Gun Raffle report made by Don Phelps and Brian Sorensen
 - The ISSHA took in \$425.00 at the Midwest Horse Fair.
 - Drawing for the gun will be held during the Awards Presentation Friday, September 11, 2015. If you wish to sell tickets, contact Jenna Walker.
- Midwest Horse Fair Report
 - The ISSHA booth did well at the fair. We took in:
 - * \$10.00 (1 - \$10.00 Membership)
 - * \$70.00 (7 - \$10.00 membership and ride pre-registrations for 2015)
 - * \$295.00 (free ride tickets)
 - * \$425.00 (gun raffle tickets)
 - * \$43.00 (merchandise)
 - Expenses:
 - * \$398.72 (hotel cost for two rooms/two nights)
 - * \$508.00 (booth rental)
- Free Ride Raffle Tickets
 - Winner of the Horse Fair 2015 Free Ride Raffle is Jerry McKinley
 - *\$295.00 (income from free ride tickets)
 - New this year – Anyone bringing a First Time Rider to the ride receives a chance for the 2016 100 Mile Trail Ride raffle drawing
 - Printing Costs Reported by Jenna Walker
 - *Jenna reported Central Illinois Riding Therapy (CIRT) has offered to do printing for most, if not all, of the ISSHA's needs. The ISSHA will pay for the paper. This includes free ISSHA advertising at CIRT's benefit horse show, their website, Facebook, and newsletter. Jimmy Judd made a motion to donate \$100.00 to CIRT for printing costs, seconded by Phylis Dalldorf. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion was held on how to handle future memorial donations. Donations will be:
 - * Card and \$25.00 to members
 - * Card and \$25.00 to past members who are not active due to health
 - * Card for family of members who have passed
 Perry Feller made a motion for the association to follow these guidelines, seconded by Phylis Dalldorf. Motion carried.
- Suggestions for the 2016 100 Mile Trail Ride
 - Jubilee State Park, Brimfield, IL
 - Freedom Hills Ranch - Mt. Carroll, IL
 - Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Park, Chandlerville, IL
 - River Valley Campground, Farmington, IA
- The Board reminded members to start thinking of suggestions for the 2016-2017 Trail Boss
- Brian Sorensen and Don Phelps talked to the Northern Illinois/Southern Wisconsin group and signed us up as a member.
- The association learned of the deaths of Bill Baker, and Jeannie Landon's father, Robert Charles Kuhn.

Correspondence:

- Received thank you letters for memorial donations from Kathy Spencer, the VFW, and Regi Fortune.

The next ISSHA meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at the Green River Saddle Club Clubhouse, Amboy, IL

Tom Fortune made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Phylis Dalldorf. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Walker
Secretary/Treasurer