

VIRGINIA CAROLINAS MORGAN HORSE CLUB

Club Minutes April 2009

Saturday, April 18 at Wilbur's Bar-B-Q in Goldsboro, NC

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Andrée Vetrano. The meeting followed a very helpful and informative driving clinic presented by Harry Daughtry. The first order of business was to thank Harry for this excellent presentation and for the Daughtry's hospitality at their farm.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was given:

Current club bank account: \$2,749.22
PayPal (membership pmts): 485.53
Special fund raising a/c: 128.63

Membership Report: As of April 10, the club has 73 members with 5 new members joining today. Leanne is contacting all past members regarding their renewal.

Southern States Show Co: Jenny reported there was a brief meeting today prior to the clinic. This year the show will have a fund-raiser "Ultimate Desert Event" on Thursday night. The Pink Ribbon T-shirts are available (and here today). There will be 2 bracelets per entry in the packets, and additional bracelets are available for \$5 each. The bracelets will be required for attendance at the meals. She announced the committee is very happy w/ Fred Nava, show manager, who is really on the ball. This year the Sport Horse events will be held in the arena behind barn 5 rather than on the hill. The AMHI is bringing a model of the Ky Horse Park Morgan Pavillion to the show. This will be the first "green" building on the grounds and donations are being accepted. The So States Show/ VC Morgan Club has donated \$1,000.00 to the project which is due to be completed in time for the FEI World Equestrian Games to be held there in 2010.

Report from Regional Director. Barb Hewitt was not able to be present today. She presented her report of the National Convention by email to the club.

Youth Co: Anne Marsh was not able to be present today. She reported she has a lesson program for youth at Flintlock Farm. At Southern States there will be a YOTY contest and there was mention of a Sidewalk Chalk event.

The next meeting of the club will be held at Flintlock Farm on August 8. The Year End Awards Meeting and Banquet has been scheduled at Briar Creek Country Club on Sat, Nov 14.

Three Club Fund Raising Projects:

1) Andrée presented a new club Fund Raising project called SCRIP. Members can order gift cards or pre-paid purchasing cards for many distributors from Land's End to Subway to Texaco. The club receives a percentage of the price (varies by store – from 1.5% at Shell Oil to 15% at L.L. Bean).... Use SCRIP cards instead of cash or credit cards and benefit the club!

Flower Power – Through the Michigan Bulb Co, order your plants to benefit the club. Packages of bulbs are available and 50% of the order comes back to the club. Good quality and good return to the club! To date we have raised \$99.00.

Country Supply, now Horse.com, accepts orders for horse supplies on line. The club gets a 5%

rebate. This year the club has raised \$57.18 to date.

Andrée reported at the National Convention, the VC Club was awarded 4th place in the AMHA Club of the Year contest. This was due entirely to Mary Daughtry's efforts putting together a beautiful club scrap book. There are several other aspects of the contest, but the yearbook was the VC entry – there is not an award just for scrap books. Thanks, and congratulations Mary!

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25.

Respectfully Submitted
Betsy Buchanan, secretary