

## **Eventing Committee Meeting Agenda** **February 8, 2021 7:00pm**

**Attendees:** Erin Nielsen, Sandra Barclay, William Barclay, Ruth Flanagan, Amy Barrett, Molly Fine, Eric Dierks, Jennifer Rousseau

**Absent:** Denise Hanna, Lisa (Elizabeth) Weber, Cece Conway

**Call to order:** Confirmation of last meeting minutes and approval.

Motion: Jennifer, Second: Molly.

**Objective of this call:** *Check in with committee on current projects. Identify if help is needed or new ideas suggested.*

### **Virtual Clinics: Eric Dierks.**

- Danny Emerson "Four Attributes That Make A Good Rider" had over 100 attendees, recording on the IDCTA website to view.
- Jimmy Wofford Conversation on Wednesday February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Have just over 50 attendees signed up.
- Other suggestions Included Michael Plum, Ralf Hill, Peter Grey, Will Coleman, Leslie Law, Bernie Chadwick, Alison Springer and Jennifer's daughter as a Young Rider perspective. Chris Burton, currently based in UK.
- Discussion of starting to charge a small fee to non IDCTA members, starting April? Molly/Eric to discuss.

### **Horse and Rider Conditioning: Denise Hanna and Lisa Weber (update given by Molly)**

- Launched 02/03/2021. Molly has 16 sign ups. 9 are non IDCTA members.
- The first video is up on [YouTube](#) and very well done
- This is a great offering, encourage participation with your equestrian friends, please note it is not just for eventers! All disciplines!
- Estimated cost to IDCTA will be approximately \$400 for incentive awards, to be approved by Board.

### **Three Day Mini-event Clinic and Practice Horse Trials: Denise Hanna and Lisa Weber.**

- Flyer shared with January's minutes.
- No further update.

### **Mill Creek Hunt IDCTA 2021 Joint Event: Amy Barrett.**

- Amy is working on this joint event with Keith Grey at Mill Creek Hunt Club, they are very excited to "partner" with IDCTA.
- Hunt season Sept through early Nov.
- Mill Creek Hunt Club would offer an introduction via zoom approximately 2 weeks prior to first hunt. Session will be 40mins educational with 20mins of question time.
- August hunt is invitational only.
- Restricted to no more than 30 guests per meet.
- Mill Creek Hunt Club could offer up to three hunts for guests (IDCTA members) to
- \$100 for IDCTA members and \$110 for non-members - includes lunch attend.

### **Schooling Show Guidelines and Competitor Feedback: Molly Fine and Cece Conway**

- Cece and Molly to keep working with show organizers.

## **Mentoring Program and Resource Identification for Aiding in Learning about Competition: Erin Nielson and Ruth Flanagan**

- Erin shared a well thought out proposal of this program.
- Need to identify potential IDCTA mentors/volunteers. Preferably ICP trainers or equivalent level (IDCTA to encourage to get qualified – see below from Jennifer). Erin/Molly to email/identify members.
- Identify Mentors with an IDCTA vest – Molly.
- Advertise this IDCTA member benefit in Scribe and see if organizers will add to their show program to help promote the program.
- Created a list of potential shows have IDCTA mentors at. Contact show organizers to ensure they are supportive of the program being run at their shows.
- Mentors/Volunteers volunteer hours to count toward the Year End Award volunteer hours – Eric to confirm.
- Insurance/liability concerns held against the mentor – Molly to check in with IDCTA Insurance provider.

**ICP Update: Jennifer Rousseau** Changes, Mod Level added and has great interest – starter level has a very high participation rate, mission statement updated, rider and instructor expectations laid out for all levels. How to get ICP certified and who is currently certified in Area IV.

To keep up certification, continuing education, CPR, Safe Sport, proof of insurance. Liaison with USEA Nancy Knight. To apply to be certified must attend a work shop – happens in Fall. Molly highlighted we need to create some “noise” and interest to get more trainers certified in IDCTA. Molly working with Jennifer, Erin and Eric.

## **Items Going to the Next Board Meeting: Molly Fine**

- Mill Creek Hunt Club / IDCTA Joint Event
- Conditioning Program

## **Eventing Clinic's: Erin Nielson**

- Clinician suggestions including Jon Holling, Leslie Law, Sinead Halpin and or Tick Maynard, Dorothy Crowell.
- Land Safe Clinic with Danny and Keli Worrington Fall or Winter – just need an Indoor (warm) space.
- Erin sharing a list of suggestions, please add any suggestions.
- Need to identify location suggestions
- Dates most likely Spring/Summer/early Fall pending calendar and clinician availability.

## **Next Meeting:**

- Trainers Incentive Program. Develop a program to incentivize trainers to have their students join IDCTA – Eric.

**Meeting Closed at 8:25pm: Motion: Jennifer Second: Amy.**

**\*\*\* Future Meeting Dates Second Monday of Month @ 7:00pm\*\*\***

- March 8<sup>th</sup>
- April 12<sup>th</sup>
- May 10<sup>th</sup>



**IDCTA Mission Statement:**

*“The Illinois Dressage and Combined Training Association, is a non-profit organization that embraces the contribution toward education, self-accomplishment and community in dressage and combined training. Through educational events, scheduled competitions and social activities, we as an organization would like to support our members, equestrian and non-equestrian, toward personal goals in understanding theory to enhance horsemanship, skills to improve performance, and promotion to maximize the enjoyment equestrian sport has to offer.”*