

Minnesota Distance Riding Association
Meeting Minutes , October 8, 1994
Trail head Building, St. Croix State Park, Hinkley, Mn.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 P.M. Officers present were as follows, President Steve Hanson, Vice President Dale Lunde, and Secretary Holly Egerer. Absent were, Treasurer Duane Weslander, and Board Member Mark Jensen.

Secretary's notes from 3/12/94 meeting were read and approved. Diane Kuhn displayed a halter/bridle combination that Prue Critchley sells that may be a nice award for MnDRA yearend awards. The cost is \$23.00 and it could be one of a few choices for awards.

There was no Treasurer's report due to Dewy's absence but Steve did announce that MnDRA has \$4,700.00 in checking which is up \$1,000 from last year.

Shirley Donaghue asked why there was no first place ribbons or awards for the MnDRA II Ride. Sue Lunderby said that the blue ribbons box has been misplaced. We are also very low on completion awards and may run out this weekend. Shirley Donaghue made a motion to require that MnDRA give 1st place awards at the MnDRA I and II rides, Jim Donaghue seconded. Discussion followed, Shirley suggested that the MnDRA ride managers should be responsible for getting the awards. Sue felt that it would be necessary for the manager to get prior authorization to purchase the awards and that the treasurer should be notified. Roxanne Swisher suggested that there be a limit placed on the cost of each award. Shirley Donaghue amended the motion for awards to put a cost limit of \$20.00, motion passed.

Lynn Wells made a motion that \$20.00 limit be made for a best condition award to be purchased at the discretion of the MnDRA ride manager. Motion seconded and passed.

Sue Lunderby said that she will not be managing the MnDRA ride in 1995, Thank you for her time and effort in managing the ride the last several years. We will need to replace the ride manager for this ride if it is to continue. It has been suggested that possibly the manager could get some kind of payment for managing the ride. Sue Lunderby did not feel that payment was necessary but that the time commitment was a big factor. We will discuss more at the January meeting.

The UMECRA banquet will be on January 5 & 6, 1994. This is earlier than in past years so it was suggested that MnDRA should also have our winter meeting at an earlier date, possibly before the Christmas holidays. That way we can discuss the issues of the UMECRA General membership meeting. December, the first or second weekend is the best so that it is before the UMECRA meeting. Jim Donaghue will check to see if we can have the meeting room at the Lake Center Bar and Grill in Annandale. The same place as last January's meeting.

Duane is having trouble getting ride results promptly or at all. Sue Lunderby suggested that MnDRA needs a ride form for MnDRA results. There was a letter sent to all MnDRA

managers last spring from Duane. Instead of getting bogged down with more forms it was suggested that a copy of the UMECRA results be sent to the points keeper in the future. Something to this effect should be put in the letter to all ride managers for next year.

A suggestion was made to offer a limited distance award with MnDRA. Discussion followed. MnDRA is still small enough that it is not needed. We still have the attendance appreciation award. There was no further interest in this suggestion.

Sue Lunderby said that she will not organize the MnDRA banquet after the winter 94-95.

Steve motioned to adjourn, seconded and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Holly Egerer
Secretary of MnDRA