

# Kensington Trail Riders Association

## Minutes of Annual Meeting on March 22, 2010

Board Members Present: Bill Gunn, Sandy Navetta, Jeanie Kelleher, Pattie Perushak, Lisa Long, Keria Rossin, Beth Kelly, Judy Seifried, Sandi Barnes, Carrie Toraczyk, Kim Liebowski

Board Members Absent: Joann George, Rendy Kondrath

Other Board Members Present: There were two non-board members present

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:40 pm. A quorum was present to vote on matters coming before the Board. A motion was made by Patti and seconded by Jeanie to approve the minutes of the February 15 meeting.

### Reports:

1. Chairperson – No new information was presented to the board.
2. Vice Chairperson – No new information was presented to the board.
3. Treasurer – At the end of February, 2010, we had a bank balance of \$4,868.72. Total expenditures for 2009 were \$9,398.26 and total income was \$8,424.50. Judy will work with Kim, our incoming treasurer, to transfer accounts and help with a smooth transition.
4. Secretary – a By-law and Amendment binder was created and will be held by Judy. The amendments to the by-laws generated at the February 15 meeting was read and approved and signed by the president and the secretary.
5. Membership Committee – Jeanie will be stepping down as chair as is being succeeded by Judy. Jeanie will work with Judy to ensure a smooth transition.
6. Work Bee Committee –Mile marker posts have arrived and Bill will begin installation shortly. For purposes of counting miles, all trails begin at the Staging Area. The new kiosk will contain trail maps and brochures and Bill will have the carpenters make an organizer for them. Barb Hertz has volunteered to restock the kiosk. It was agreed that we should post emergency and regular phone numbers for the park office on the kiosk board as well as their address.
7. Newsletter Committee – It was decided that we will have two newsletters each year, the next newsletter to come out sometime in early May. Keria will be editing the newsletter but input will come from various event chairmen. The newsletter will be circulated via email to those members that are on line and by regular mail to those people who do not have email.
8. Events Committee – Discussion centered around how we want to handle chairing various events. For example, should we have one person oversee all events; can regular members chair events; can we draw on the general membership for volunteers for events.
9. Publicity Committee – There was no discussion with regard to publicity with the exception of where we should post our meeting minutes (see discussion below under #6).

## **New Business:**

1. Report and Review of Annual Banquet – Some items of discussion were whether the line raffle was successful or whether we should eliminate that for next year; whether we had too many items for raffle; whether it would be better to hold the raffle all at one time; should our focus be fundraising or social networking, etc. Total income from the banquet was \$5,607 and total expenditures was \$3,709.98 for a profit of \$1,897.02.
2. Explore Member Benefits – Currently the only benefit members receive from KTRA is the ability to ride in the parades and receipt of a KTRA patch. The board would like to offer more incentive to members and several options were mentioned including a laminated map of the trails that could be sold to non-members; an innovate whistle/compass combo; a yearly subscription to The Equine Times or Saddle-Up.
3. Memorial Day Parade – Jeanie and Lisa will co-chair the Memorial Day Parade. Using Dave Drobot's truck for manure pick-up along the route at the last parade worked well.
4. Review Dates for Park Events – Bill Gunn stressed the need for us to contact the park and verify dates for campouts before we advertise.
5. Camp-out Dates Approved – Bill confirmed our campout dates for this year with the park. Bill advised that the following needs to be addressed: we have 3 people at the registration table on Friday at all times; registrars should direct all people to Bill so he can put them in place; need more dog control; start at 10:00 on Friday instead of at 12:00. Judy and Sandy N volunteered to help Bill this year. Also discussed were: Bill talking to the park about taking out more trees; not allowing temporary corrals; where to place campers without horses; the necessity of pre-registration; help from the Mounted Police.
6. Posting minutes and meetings on the website – A motion was made by Beth and seconded by Patti e that we post minutes and future meeting times on the website. Judy will contact our webmaster. We will post minutes in outline form. Additionally, we will look into posting minutes in the Equine Times and Saddle Up.
7. Website Revision – Judy will be discussing the necessary changes to the website with the webmaster. The club felt an overhaul of the website is needed. It was decided that we would post a group picture of the board rather than posting individual pictures.

## **Tabled Matters**

1. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – June 5, 2010 at 10:00 AM during the campout weekend.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm. The next meeting will be Monday, April 19, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,  
Keria Rossin Chuhran, Secretary