

SEDRA 2013-2014 Year End Annual Meeting Agenda
Saturday, June 28, 2014
Braised Onion; Ocala, FL

I. Call to Order by President, Leah Greenleaf, @ 10:00am

- A. Welcome and Housekeeping (bathrooms, etc.)
- B. Corresponding Secretary's Report (Maria Florkiewicz)
- C. Treasurer's Report (Caren Stauffer)
 - 1. Review and vote to approve Treasurer's Report from the May 10th BOD Meeting.
 - 2. Review and vote to approve Annual Treasurer's Report printed in the Awards Program.
- D. Sanctioning Secretary Report (Carolyn Maillard)
- E. Committee Reports
 - 1. Protest Committee (Norma Caron)
 - 2. Appeals Committee (Brenda O'Donnell)
 - 3. Trail Ride Sanctioning Committee (Tom Florkiewicz)
 - 4. Judges and Judging Committee (Roxanne Ciccone)
 - 5. Public Relations Committee (Penny Staffney)
 - 6. Drug Testing Committee (Maris Ramsay)
 - 7. Trails Preservation Committee (Helen Koehler)
 - 8. Rules Committee (Carol Thompson)
 - 9. Education Committee (Jackie Baker)
 - a. Annual Clinic Sub-Committee (Carol Thompson)
 - b. Rookie Guidebook Sub-Committee (Lindsay Campbell)
 - 10. Nominating Committee (Tom Florkiewicz) – Nominations & Elections for the 2014-2015 Board of Directors
- F. Special Awards Nominations and Ballots
 - 1. The Cathy Booth Memorial Horsemanship Award
 - 2. Mickey Blanford Excellence in Competition Award
 - 3. The King's OCS Lad Memorial Trail Horse Award
- G. Proposed Rule Changes and Ballots
 - 1. Proposed Emergency Sanction Requests
 - 2. Renaming of one of the Officer titles
 - 3. Introductory Distance Rides
 - 4. CTRs
 - 5. Horse scale
- H. Old Business
 - 1. Database – update from Carol Thompson.
 - 2. Big items that passed through the BOD this past year
 - a. Partnership Longevity Award
 - b. Horse & Rider Team Horse Longevity Award
 - c. Introductory Distance Rides test year
- I. New Business
 - 1. Annual Clinic (Vicky Thompson)

II. Adjourn by 11:55am

**Annual Introductory Distance Clinic and Seminar
October 4-5, 2014**

Welaka State Forest, FL (near Palatka)
Stalls, Camping and Bunk Houses available for a reasonable cost
Topics and vet in on Saturday, Practice Ride on Sunday

This is a great Facility! Entries will be available at the banquet and on the website.

The clinic managers will be attending the Horsey Yard sale in September to promote the clinic. To help fund a Rookie Challenge and Mentor Challenge, **they** would appreciate any horsey items that could be donated for them to sell at the yard sale. Please bring your items to the banquet, or contact the managers to arrange pickup.

Thanks for your support!

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Proposed Slate of Officers for 2014-2015

Remember that if you wish to vote, but are unable to attend, you must submit a proxy form. You must have your dues paid for 2014-2015. Please do not return this form; an official ballot will be provided at the banquet.

Nominations from the floor will be welcomed.

*President – Leah Greenleaf
Vice President – Maria Florkiewicz
Corresponding Secretary – Jo Harder
Treasurer – Caren Stauffer
Awards Secretary – Carol Thompson
Ride Secretary – Tom Florkiewicz*

*Directors:
Lindsay Campbell
Kim Huck
Lucille Hood
Stephanie Sutch
Vicky Thompson*

*Alternate Directors:
Denise Secino
Donna Shoaf
Ruthann Pivrotto*

Special Awards Nominations

King's OCS Lad Memorial Trail Horse Award - Nominees: Boomer (Debbie Parsons), Farley (Chris Littlefield), GHP Baile Hill (Stephanie Sutch), Hailey's Comet (Leah Greenleaf), Spotless Summer Magic (Cheryl Van Deusen), Windstalker (Denise Secino)

Cathy Booth Memorial Horsemanship Award - Nominees: Mary Nord, Cheryl Van Deusen

Mickey Blanford Excellence in Competition Memorial Award -
Nominees: Maria Florkiewicz, Chris Littlefield

Topics of Discussion

Sanction requests for rides must be received 60 days before the actual ride date. This past ride season, 2 rides were cancelled due to emergency circumstances (government shutdown and flooding).

This is AERC's policy for emergency rescheduling: Sanction requests for new rides, ride date changes, or changes in the ride length must be received for approval by the Regional Director at least 90 days before the

actual ride date, and received by the AERC Administrative Office at least 60 days before the ride—so that proper notification of the ride can be made to AERC members. Sanctioning directors may allow, with the approval of the other regional director and the Executive Committee, sanctioning or ride change requests that are received after the 90/60 day period for emergency purposes only. However, sanctioning directors may allow, with the approval of the other regional director and the Executive Committee, a request for the inclusion of an additional distance to an already sanctioned ride if the request is submitted at least 30 days before the ride date to the Sanctioning Director. A non-refundable fee is required with ride sanction or re-sanction applications.

This is SEDRA's Current rule: Sanctioning must be received at least 60 days in advance. If a sanctioning request is received later than 60 days in advance, the ride may be sanctioned for mileage only, no points.

Should SEDRA have a procedure in place so ride managers will know what to do? If so, what should the procedure be?

Proposed Rule Changes

Remember that if you wish to vote, but are unable to attend, you must submit a proxy form. You must have your dues paid for 2014-2015. Please do not return this form; an official ballot will be provided at the banquet.

Proposed Bylaw Change:

The title for one of our officer positions is currently "Ride Secretary". Many confuse this with the ride secretary for an individual ride and have referred to this office as sanctioning secretary. In keeping with how most members refer to this office and to avoid confusion, the Board of Directors is asking that the terminology for that office be officially changed in our Bylaws to "Sanctioning Secretary".

Introductory Division

The purpose of the IDR/D division within SEDRA's awards program is to introduce distance riding/driving to those who would like to sample the sport and for those experienced riders and /or horses no longer able to complete a longer course. IDR/D events will count ONLY towards Lifetime mileage for horse and riders and no other SEDRA awards. The general idea of IDD and IDR is that they are a shorter version of the MO (Mileage Only) program that is already in place.

Last year, the membership voted to incorporate an IDR/IDD division in a 1 year test program. We had good participation, with some new riders and some "old" riders. Some of the new riders have already done some 25 mile rides. The vets and judges did hold the IDR horses to the same standards required by the longer distances.

This year, we'll vote on making the IDR a permanent part of our program. Only one change has been made (see the highlight), to say under rules instead of guidelines.

The BOD also proposes a test year for each of the following enhancements to the IDR program (if the proposed rule passes).

1. Add Ride and Tie to the IDR program, to include distances from 8 to 20 miles. Ride and Tie events may be held with sanctioned R&T events, or with a sanctioned endurance rides, and must follow those procedures and completion criteria already set up for R&T.
2. A SEDRA sponsored introductory distance clinic may hold an IDR/D if it is run under SEDRA's rules and guidelines.

PROPOSED RULES FOR INTRODUCTORY DISTANCE RIDES (IDR) AND DRIVES (IDD)

1. The purpose of the IDR/D division within SEDRA's awards program is to introduce distance riding/driving to those who would like to sample the sport and for those experienced riders and /or

horses no longer able to complete a longer course. IDR/D events will count ONLY towards Lifetime mileage for horse and riders and no other SEDRA awards, to include the Longevity Award.

2. IDRs and IDD's can be offered only in conjunction with a SEDRA sanctioned Competitive Trail Ride/Drive (CTR/D) or Endurance ride at the discretion of Ride Management. IDD/R's will be conducted **under the same rules** as a Mileage Only division. Ride Management may also offer a fun ride division which would receive no mileage, but keep safety in mind.
3. Mileage for IDRs and IDD's will be between 10-20 miles.
4. All SEDRA safety, procedural, and completion requirements are to be enforced for the miles to count.
 - a. If held in conjunction with a CTR/D, the IDR/D
 - i. Must follow those procedures and completion criteria already set up for the Mileage Only Division.
 - ii. A separate Trail Judge can be used for the IDR/D, if Ride Management feels that it is warranted.
 - b. If held in conjunction with an Endurance ride, the IDR
 - i. Must follow those procedures and completion criteria already set up for Limited Distance.
5. Hoof and leg protection devices are acceptable, as stated in the Mileage Only Division.
6. Event Distances and Times (In conjunction with a CTR/D: times indicated are elapsed time, including one 20-minute hold. Hold is optional, but if no hold is scheduled, no adjustment on time is permitted. Standard 45 minute window applies with no assessed penalties. DQ if come in 30 minutes early or 30 minutes over time, again follow Mileage Only Division rules). (Pace set at 6mph average.)
 - a. 10 miles = 1:25-2:10
 - b. 12.5 miles = 1:50-2:35
 - c. 15 miles = 2:15-3:00
 - d. 18 miles = 2:45 – 3:30
 - e. 20 miles = 3:05 – 3:50
7. Event Distances and Times (In conjunction with an Endurance ride: one hold may be scheduled, but is not required. If no hold is scheduled, no adjustment on time is permitted.)
 - a. 10 miles = 2:30 hours maximum
 - b. 12.5 miles = 3 hours maximum
 - c. 15 miles = 4 hours maximum
 - d. 18 miles = 5 hours maximum
 - e. 20 miles = 5:15 hours maximum
8. Participation in an IDR/D does NOT constitute the official beginning of a rider's or horse's Rookie Season. The Rookie Season will officially begin with their first 25 mile minimum CTR/D or Limited Distance/ Endurance ride.
9. IDR/D is not eligible for elevating.
10. Any mileage before the beginning date of this test period cannot be purchased and will not count.
11. All other SEDRA rules apply (i.e., Rider/driver must be a member, horse must be nominated prior to the ride, etc. for miles to count.)
12. Either the ride manager will provide a list of IDR/D completions, or the rider will provide a copy of the rider card or scoresheet to the awards secretary as proof of completion. The card must be signed by a judge as complete, and show the ride time to verify that criteria were met.
13. This program will be a test program for the 2013-2014 ride season. After the test period is over, SEDRA membership will vote on whether the program will become permanent, have another test year with modifications, or be discontinued.

SEDRA 2013-2014 Year End Annual Membership Meeting

Saturday, June 28, 2014

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I. Call to Order by President, Leah Greenleaf, @ 10:00am

- A. Welcome and Housekeeping (bathrooms, etc.)
- B. Corresponding Secretary's Report (Maria Florkiewicz) – Review and vote to accept the 2012-2013 Annual Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Minutes from last year's meeting were in the program that was handed out at the door.
 - 2. After giving members in attendance a few moments to look over those minutes, they were asked if there were any questions/comments/concerns to address.
 - 3. Leah Greenleaf then asked for a motion to accept the minutes from last year's annual meeting as printed in the 2013-2014 Awards Banquet Program.
 - a. Tom Florkiewicz thus motioned.
 - b. Donna Shoaf seconded the motion.
 - c. No one opposed the motion; motion passed.
- C. Treasurer's Report (Caren Stauffer)
 - 1. Caren Stauffer presented the report from May 2014.
 - a. Membership was given the opportunity to ask questions, then Leah Greenleaf asked for a vote to approve the May 2014 Treasurer's Report.
 - b. Jean Shaw thus motioned.
 - c. Donna Shoaf seconded the motion.
 - d. No one opposed the motion; motion passed.
 - 2. Caren then presented the 2013-2014 Annual Treasurer's Report as printed in the Awards Program.
 - 3. Membership was given the opportunity to ask questions.
 - 4. Caren also pointed out the membership information in the treasurer's report
 - a. 144 total memberships
 - 1. 46 family memberships
 - 2. 81 single memberships
 - 3. 20 junior memberships
 - 4. 9 non-competing memberships
 - 5. 10 lifetime memberships
 - b. 33 new horses nominated this season
 - 5. Leah Greenleaf then asked for a motion to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the 2013-2014 Awards Banquet Program.
 - a. Maria Florkiewicz thus motioned.
 - b. Tammy Girard seconded the motion.
 - c. No one opposed the motion; motion passed.
- D. Sanctioning Secretary Report (Carolyn Maillard)
 - 1. In the 2013-2014 season, there were 7 SEDRA sanctioned CTRs and 22 SEDRA sanctioned endurance rides. One CTR and one Endurance ride had to be cancelled because of the government shut down and flooding, respectively.
 - 2. So far for the 2014-2015 season, there are 4 SEDRA sanctioned CTRs and 16 SEDRA sanctioned endurance rides.
- E. Committee Reports
 - 1. Protest Committee (Norma Caron) – No protests to report during the 2013-2014 season.
 - 2. Appeals Committee (Brenda O'Donnell) – No protests = No appeals.
 - 3. Judges and Judging Committee (Roxanne Ciccone)
 - a. Worked on updating current list of CRI, Scorers, Timers, and Trail Judges.
 - 4. Public Relations Committee (Penny Staffney)
 - a. The BOD has committed to a year of publicity through Horse & Pony.

- b. At the end of the year, we will discuss whether or not we think it really helped get our organization out there and helped bring in more members.
 - 5. Drug Testing Committee (Maris Ramsay)
 - a. 5 Drug Tests performed; all negative results.
 - b. The new Drug Testing policy began in January. This was something that the membership voted on at last year's Annual Meeting to do on a trial basis.
 - 6. Trails Preservation Committee (Helen Koehler) – no report
 - 7. Rules Committee (Carol Thompson)
 - a. Upcoming discussion and vote about emergency rescheduling of a ride.
 - 8. Education Committee (Jackie Baker)
 - a. Annual Clinic Sub-Committee (Carol Thompson)
 - 1. Clinic being headed up by the trio of Vicky Thompson, Bebe Edwards, and Sherry Tornwall.
 - 2. October 4-5, 2014 in Welaka, FL
 - b. Rookie Guidebook Sub-Committee (Lindsay Campbell)
 - 1. The Committee Members worked on updating the Rookie Guidebook.
 - 2. Update is now available electronically through our website.
 - 9. Nominating Committee (Tom Florkiewicz)
 - a. Nominations and Elections for the 2014-2015 Board of Directors
 - 1. Slate of Officers, Directors, and Alternate Directors were presented.
 - 2. Nominations from the floor were solicited & Lindy Griffith was added to the list for consideration as a Director.
 - 3. Jodie Moore motioned to close the nominations & vote on the slate with additions made from the floor.
 - 4. Stephanie Sutch seconded the motion.
 - 5. No one opposed the motion; motion passed.
 - b. Later, after all ballots were counted, the list of Officers, Directors, and Alternate Directors for 2014-2015 were announced:
 - 1. Officers
 - a. President = Leah Greenleaf
 - b. Vice President = Maria Florkiewicz
 - c. Corresponding Secretary = Jo Harder
 - d. Treasurer = Caren Stauffer
 - e. Awards Secretary = Carol Thompson
 - f. Sanctioning Secretary = Tom Florkiewicz
 - 2. Directors
 - a. Lindsay Campbell
 - b. Lucy Hood
 - c. Kim Huck
 - d. Stephanie Sutch
 - e. Vicky Thompson
 - 3. Alternate Directors
 - a. Ruthann Piviroto
 - b. Denise Secino
 - c. Donna Shoaf
- F. Special Awards Nominations and Ballots
- 1. Judges of Election (appointed by the President, Leah Greenleaf, at the Annual Membership Meeting to preside over the counting of ballots and announcing the results (no nominees on this committee)
 - a. Chairperson = Norma Caron
 - b. Member = Stephanie Bishop
 - c. Member = Elaine Lemieux
 - 2. Every member was given a ballot and told to look at the information printed in the program about the following special awards that will be presented later today at our Awards Banquet.
 - a. Cathy Booth Memorial Horsemanship Award
 - b. Mickey Blanford Excellence in Competition Award
 - c. King's OCS Lad Memorial Trail Horse Award
 - 3. Each award was talked about, current nominees were listed, and nominations were solicited from the floor.
 - 4. Members then voted by ballot.

5. Later when the results were revealed:
 - a. Cathy Booth Memorial Horsemanship Award went to Mary Nord.
 - b. Mickey Blanford Excellence in Competition Award went to Chris Littlefield.
 - c. King's OCS Lad Memorial Trail Horse Award went to SA Csea Mistral +/-.
- G. Proposed Rule Changes and Ballots
 1. Carol Thompson went over the proposals, as written on the ballot
 - a. Sanction requests – emergency situations
 - b. By-Law wording change from “Ride Secretary” to Sanctioning Secretary”
 - c. IDR Program
 1. Make the program permanent
 2. Add a test year for a Ride & Tie IDR
 3. Add test year for allowing miles from a SEDRA sanctioned clinic to count as an IDR (without having to be in conjunction with an actual ride).
 2. Membership discussion
 3. Members then voted by ballot.
 4. Later when the results of the voting were revealed:
 - a. Sanction requests = membership wants the BOD to come up with a procedure for moving the date of a ride that has already been sanctioned, only in emergency situations (like the government shutdown, flooding, hurricane).
 - b. By-Law wording = approved to change the name from “Ride Secretary” to Sanctioning Secretary”.
 - c. IDR Program
 1. Approved to make the program permanent.
 2. Approved to add a test year for a Ride & Tie IDR
 3. Approved to add a test year for allowing miles from a SEDRA sanctioned clinic to count as an IDR (without having to be in conjunction with an actual ride).
- H. Old Business
 1. Database - Carol Thompson has been working with Eric Reuter.
 2. Big items that passed through the BOD this past year
 - a. Partnership Longevity Award – Horse & Rider Team (minimum of 50 SEDRA miles each year for 10 years, not necessarily consecutive)
 - b. Horse Longevity Award – minimum of 100 SEDRA miles each year for 10 years (not necessarily consecutive and does not have to be with the same rider)
 - c. Introductory Distance Rides
- I. New Business
 1. Annual Clinic (Vicky Thompson) – have flyers to give out and extras for people to hand out to friends, feed stores, horse groups, etc.
- J. FHA Report (Wes Maillard, President of FHA)

II. Adjourn by 11:55am

- A. Motion to adjourn made by Jackie Baker
- B. Seconded by Jean Shaw
- C. No one opposes.
- D. Motion carries.
- E. Meeting adjourned at 11:52am

South Eastern Distance Riders Association
 Treasurer's Summary Report
 Income/Expense Summary 2013-2014

	<u>Jun '13 - May 14</u>			
Income				
Advertising Programs	739			
Award Programs	2,117			
Educational Programs	1,211			
NAETC 2013	15,415			
Sanctioning Programs	1,220			
SEDRA Membership	4,012	Members	Lifetime	Non Comp
Tack Swap	20	166	10	9
Trails Preservation	125	Family	Single	Jr
Interest Income	10	46	81	20
Total Income	<u><u>24,869</u></u>			
Expense				
Advertising Programs Expense	1,378			
Award Program Expense	7,850			
Educational Program Expense	1,263			
Membership and Administrative	576			
NAETC Expenses	16,146			
Sanctioning Program Expense	540			
Trail Preservation Program	0			
Total Expense	<u><u>27,752</u></u>			
Net Ordinary Income	-2,883			