



LIDA General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 10, 2017

Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Location: Member Monique Genchi's house, 5 Village Green North, Baiting Hollow, NY

Board Members Present

Mary Mulcahy (President)
Lucille Sullivan (Vice-President)
Linda Erick (Treasurer)
Doreen Rose (Secretary)

Meeting Attendees

Marie Banks
Robin LoCurto

Monique Genchi
Dorothy Maffei

Eileen Kasmarcik
Alice Petersen

Meeting commenced at 7:41 pm.

The following items were discussed at the meeting:

Treasurer's Report - The LIDA checking account is currently at \$4,812.92.

LIDA 2017 Dressage Shows - We discussed the future of the leadline classes and it was decided among the membership that leadline classes will be moved from the recognized shows and offered instead at the LIDA schooling shows.

Western Dressage Clinic with Jec Ballou - We discussed specific details regarding the upcoming Western Dressage Clinic with Jec Ballou at Highwind Farm on June 17th and 18th. One member suggested promoting the clinic at Spirit's Promise, a western barn and horse rescue that might have some people who would be interested in attending. LIDA has paid \$298 for Jec's flight into JFK and Jec will stay at Mary's house during the clinic.

Musical Freestyle Clinic - LIDA is looking into the possibility of hosting another Musical Freestyle Clinic. We have looked into inviting a different clinician than we had in the past to explore a wider variety of musical options. We are considering Klassic Kur. Members present at the meeting suggested holding the event at the end of August (August 20th) when no Long Island shows are scheduled or possibly waiting until the fall so riders can focus their efforts on preparing freestyles for next year's show season.

LIDA Bus Trip to Gladstone - We discussed the details for the upcoming bus trip to Gladstone to see the Under 25, Intermediare and Grand Prix riders perform at the Musical Freestyle Championships. The cost will be \$80 per person for the day trip. Anyone interested in attending should contact LIDA President Mary Mulcahy for more information.

LIDA Bus Trip to NEDA Fall Symposium - Following the conversation regarding our upcoming bus trip to Gladstone, other members expressed interest in attending the NEDA Fall Symposium at Pineland Farms in Maine on October 14th and 15th to see Carl Hester in a rare U.S. appearance. If you are interested in attending, please contact LIDA President Mary Mulcahy.

Paint 'n' Sip Party - Our Paint 'n' Sip Party was held on April 21st at the Painted Canvas at the Shoppes at East Wind. Members socialized with one another for about an hour before settling in to paint their personal version of "Sunset Horses". It was a successful event and everyone had a wonderful time.

Dressage 4 Kids - Blue Ribbon Farms announced that the Dressage 4 Kids event will take place during the weekend of August 12th.

Possible Upcoming Clinics - Lucille Sullivan expressed interest in inviting Mette Rosencranz to Long Island for a clinic. She would be flying in from California. Lucille is going to look into more information on arranging this clinic.

Changes to LIDA Year End Awards Program for 2018 - To lessen confusion when members apply for Year End Awards for 2018, LIDA has reorganized the YEAP rules and will identify three major award categories: recognized competitions, schooling shows and western dressage. We will no longer use the term "LIDA recognized" shows. Scores from all Long Island shows will count towards year end awards as long as the judge is an "L" judge or higher. Scores from one show outside of Long Island will be accepted. For each category, riders will be asked to submit four scores. One of those scores must be from the highest test of the level. We will be adding a walk/trot division so that members who are not competing in tests that require cantering can still participate in our year end awards program. We have also made adjustments to our LIDA Medal Program. In order

to win a LIDA medal, eight to ten scores will be required at each level. Riders will not be required to ride the highest test of the level. This aligns with how the USDF organizes their medal program. At this year's shows, we will be including the following classes: Rider's Tests, Dressage Equitation and Prix Caprilli.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.