

AURORA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

Aurora Arabian December 12th meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Carla. Carla Jackson, Lorie Fisher, Jill Bromley, Karen Caughell, Dawn Hopkin, Kim Kelemen, Terri Martin, Caitlin Smith & Diane Dyck in attendance.
2. Treasurer's Report: (Up to end of November) - \$68,562.62 in the CDN account, \$9089.70 in the US account.
3. Youth Report: Christmas Party was held Dec. 2nd at Gateway Bowling Lanes in Edmonton. There were 12 participants, and all had fun. Fun and Furry show to be held Sunday April 29th at Cadence Creek. Terri has applied for, and the show was accepted as a community show through AHA. 12 of the classes have to be Arab/Half-Arab to receive the community shows status, but this is an open breed show. This also means that a \$200 grant will be coming to the Aurora club. Youth have asked to have this grant money to purchase ribbons specifically for their F&F show. AHA will also supply some prizes because of being one of the first community shows to register. One sponsor already found to sponsor the lunch for participants/judges/stewards. Trainers/coaches will be able to show in junior horse classes, but not be judged. Penny carnival made \$29.
4. Club Promotion Committee – Lorie F – Volunteer Thank-You cards went out. Looking for a couple more addresses, Lorie & Karen will figure this out. Newsletter is being built for January and just about complete. One more article to add and Carla's message welcoming other clubs to use the newsletter and to offer clubs help for marketing and advertising. Website hits have almost doubled reaching about 1100 hits. Lorie is working on the sponsorship package. Would like to thank the group for recognizing her for the Volunteer Service Award. Not a lot for Calendar feedback from Convention but website was accessed by views from the United States. Lots of "WOWS" over the hall of fame. Still waiting on convention reports from Lorne and Deb to be able to publish to the website.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Show Committee – Dawn Hopkin reported on the Aurora Show running June 8, 9, 10 in 2012. Wondering if anyone has anymore suggestions for Judges? Needs decision on which two regions we want for a concurrent show in addition to 17. Thinking this show will have qualifiers for Regions 4 & 5. Had a request for sport horse driving, as well as 13 and under for hunter division. Need Volunteer Coordinator – Jill Bromley offered to take the position, also Sponsorship Coordinator – hoping to have in place by next meeting. Also in need of someone to run show office and a first aid attendant. (Susan Fyfe offered – Caitlin will also ask Steve).
 - b. Christmas Party – Everyone had a fun evening! Thank you to the organizing committee.
6. New Business:
 - a. Clinics: Discussion about Caitlin's suggestion for Chris Irwin Clinic. Karen K puts forward a motion for Aurora and Cadence Creek to co-host evening demo for a cost of \$250. Clinic will be March 9th to 11th, 2012 with the evening demo being held on the 9th. Potential of some kind of social happening before the demo? Aurora will help promote event and all participants will contact Caitlin should they wish to ride in the clinic. Spectator tickets will be sold for \$25 with profits being split 50/50 between Aurora and Cadence.



- b. Schroter's will be hosting Marjie Becker Clinic March 31st & April 1st, 2012. Participant fee will be \$250. Carla will talk to Schroter's re: #'s, hosting and fine details. Information to be ready for January 2012 newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.

Next Meeting: January 9th, 2012.

