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Agenda Time Table:

Start: 1:00 Elections

Meeting: 2:00 Actual 2:45

End: 4:30pm

Greetings to Membership by Doug:

Start of Elections 1:08

- Bev Beesley, Mary McKibbon & Anne Savage will be ballot counters. Motioned by Merv Scott. 2nd by Rob Greene. None Opposed. -Approved by the Membership
- Anne Savage to collect & destroy ballots. Motion by Cathy Fisher, 2nd by Danny. None opposed -Approved by the Membership

M.H.C.O. Executive and Board of Directors

Position	2015 / 2016	2017/2018
President	Doug Savage	Danny Laycock
Vice President	Danny Laycock	Doug Savage
Treasurer	Carolyn Aarup	Julie Fitzsimmons
Secretary	Angie Trumpler	Lorie Goble
Director	Tracy Sammons	Tracy Sammons
Director	Caroline Moor	Sarah McNeil
Director	John McCallum	Carolyn Aarup
Director	Raquel Dowsling	Caroline Moor
Director	Cathy Fisher	Anette Kelly
Director	Merv Scott	Donna Tinker
Director	Terri Schell	Alysia Reichertz
Director	Julie Fitzsimmons	Cathy Fisher
Youth Director	Serena Krawczyk	Faith Dennis
Honorable Director	Bev Beesley	Bev Beesley
Honorable Director	Mary McKibbon	Mary McKibbon
Honorable Director	Laurie Green	Laurie Green



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Time Allotment in minutes	#	Presenter	Topic
5	1	Doug Savage	President's Opening Comments
10	2	Raquel Dowsling	Membership Report
15	3	Carolyn Aarup	Treasurer's Report
5	4	Raquel Dowsling	Merchandise
15	5	Doug Savage, Angie Trumpler	Point Shows
10	6	Caroline Moor	Awards for 2017 Fall AGM - update
30	7	Tracy Sammons	AMHA Show update
30	8	Tracy Sammons	AMHR Show update
10	9	Tracy Sammons, Carolyn Aarup	Website
10	10	Doug Savage, Angie Trumpler, Serena Krawczyk	Fuzzy Show/Youth Plus Club
10	11	Caroline Moor Julie Fitzsimmons	Social/Fundraising Committee Update Cookbook Update
5	12	Carolyn Aarup Julie Fitzsimmons	A & P Historic Committee Chronicle review
5	13	Doug Savage	New Business
5	14	Doug Savage	Old Business
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President's Opening Comments –Doug Savage/Danny Laycock

1.1. Motion to accept the Former AGM Minutes and today's Agenda: Laurie Goble 2nd Gary Brown
None Opposed. -carried

1.2. Doug: Does the Membership have any items to be added to the Spring AGM? Laurie Green: Review the requirement to attend 3 points shows out of the series 5 dhows to be eligible for year end awards.

2) Membership - Raquel Dowsling:

2.1. 2016 Memberships:

Youth - 3

Individual - 31

Family - 20

Farm - 30

TOTAL = 84

New Members: 17

Referrals: 7

Comparison: 2015 Membership: 82 (Included 12 New Members)

3) Treasurer's Report - Carolyn Aarup:

Budget Update:

AMHA: \$2073.43

Regular: \$6,829.58

AMHR: \$3,998.52

US Acct: \$685.03

Carolyn A: excited to announce that after many years of persistent requests to bank, she was able to get MHCO bank accounts on line! This will help future Treasurer get easy access to bank statements rather than waiting for snail mail statements. Anne Savage: ETransfer for the Classic show was very favorable and this method of payment was ideal. Carolyn A. will investigate further to see if members can etransfer payments directly to the MHCO.

Carolyn A: NSF Cheques will need to have a penalty charged back to the member, as banks will auto charge this fee to the Club. Motion by Carolyn A.: The MHCO will charge a NSF fee of \$25 to cover applicable bank charges. This fee is to be reviewed yearly at each Fall AGM to ensure adequate fee coverage. 2nd by: Bev Beesley None Opposed -carried

Motion for Caroline M.: Carolyn A. to be refunded \$7.00 as payment for a former NSF cheque Fee. 2nd by: Cathy Fisher None opposed. -carried

4) Merchandise - Raquel Dowsling:

- Please note that you can now purchase items off of our table. Orders can always be placed and either mailed to you (purchaser to cover shipment costs,) or Raquel can deliver to the next MHCO event.
- \$169 worth of merchandise was sold today!



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5) Point Club Shows - Doug Savage, Angie Trumpler:

- 5.1 Rule Reminder: Conduct of Exhibitors was reviewed by Doug. (ie: No hitting your horse with the end of a lead and no physical violence to be directed towards the horse at any time.)
- 5.2 Review of the 5 Point Shows to the Membership and a reminder that any new shows added would have to be self-sufficient. (Meaning at no cost to the Club) Host Show package is on the MHCO site under Downloads page under Host Shows
- 5.3 Thank you to the Volunteers who give a hand at the shows with set-up and tear down
- 5.4 Sarah McNeil: Can the obstacle class be moved before lunch? Unfortunately no. In the past we ran this format and if the show runs late, then it is a Safety Hazard to drive when it is getting dark. (It is safer to perform obstacle in hand during this time of day.)
- 5.5 Review of the Honour Roll program by Carolyn A. (Please refer to website on Downloads page under Awards for more info.)
- 5.6 Are there any volunteers for the Point Show Secretary position? –No
- 5.7 Bev Beesley: Motion that Anne Savage be retained as the 2017 Club Secretary. 2nd Wendy Eagle
None opposed. –carried
- 5.8 Most MHCO Club shows show a loss but some break even. See MHCO Club Show Financial Report Attached – Appendix# A

Awards – Caroline Moor:

- 6.1. The trophies this year cost: \$10.50/small trophy, \$17.95/large trophies, \$5.75/plates, \$41 Sash = \$870.61 (\$690.51 was the Club cost after keeper award \$ was collected from the Sponsors.) –For 2017 there might be a fee increase on the keeper awards of \$25 to the Sponsors
- 6.2. HighPoint yet again were our Trophy Suppliers. They are fabulous to work with, very accommodating and their pricing is excellent
- 6.3. The trophy budget is \$1,500, so the Club did very well with staying well under budget.

7) AMHR Sanctioned Show – Doug Savage:

- 7.1 62 horses in attendance in 2016
- 7.2 2017 class fees will be the same as 2016 – new show date on MHCO website
- 7.3 Currently the committee is working on making Judge/Stewart selections
- 7.4 2017 fee for QuarDreams will be \$475 (increase of \$25 from this year.)
- 7.5 Class list will be the same in 2017 as it was this year
- 7.6 Marie Krawcyk: Can Jumper be added (in addition to Hunter) for 2017. Both A&B sections would need to be added. –To be discussed by the Committee
- 7.7 The show came out on a profit. Income \$6,440.25 expenses: \$4,722.12 Profit: \$1,718.13 See AMHR Classic's Sanction Show Financial Report Attached – Appendix# B

8) AMHA Update – Tracy Sammons:

- 8.1 15 horses were in attendance in 2016
- 8.2 Youth payout this year cost \$80
- 8.3 Potluck lunch was enjoyed by all



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- 8.4 Paul & Kathleen Brown donate their facility to no cost to the MHCO for this show. As thanks the MHCO presented them with a cooler this year.
- 8.5 To qualify for the Worlds, Horses must be shown before 2 Judges. This is why the MHCO supports the AMHA registry to support all our Membership and the promotion of the AMHA Mini.
- 8.6 Income: \$1,757 including fundraising, sponsorship, donations. Expenses: \$1510.48 Profit: \$246.72 See AMHA Sanctioned Show Financial Report Attached – Appendix# C

9) Website - Carolyn Aarup:

- 9.1 A reminder that the Honour Roll is listed on the website. Please refer to the website to review your horses(s) standings!
- 9.2 Carolyn: she has posted all MHCO Events known on the MHCO Site's Calendar of Events (see list at end of these Minutes). This year's Club show Year End Awards from today will be posted shortly. Points for MHCO Honour Roll will then be tabulated and posted asap (MHCO Honour Roll recipients will be awarded at Spring GM).
- 9.3 Wendy Eagle will support Carolyn A. with website support
- 9.4 Carolyn A: Is everyone getting MHCO emails that are sent out? If not, please see Carolyn so she can get it sorted out for you. Please contact Carolyn with any suggestions/comments that you have regarding the website. If you have any pictures you would like displayed on the welcome banner, please forward!
- 9.5 Caroline M: Can Tracy change/update pics on rotation on site homepage – Carolyn A will advise Tracy
- 9.6 FYI Members: Please utilize the sales & foals pages. There is buyer traffic on our website. Take advantage of this service!

10) Fuzzy Show & Youth Plus Club – Angie Trumpler, Doug Savage:

- 10.1 April 15th 2017 is the Easter Weekend. Is the Membership OK with this date? NOTE: Date will change to April 22nd. Carolyn A to change date on the MHCO site Calendar of Events
- 10.2 Schedule for 2017: 9am start time for Registration. Clinic: 9:30 start.
- 10.3 Suggestions for Specialty Clinics: Mentor Classes / Clipping Clinic / Equine First Aid / ??? – Members please send your suggestions to us!
- 10.4 Fees will remain the same: \$10/Member and Attendees. Non Members \$15. –Hot lunch is available for an additional fee (Non Members need to complete the “bring a friend” form available off our website)
- 10.5 2016 Financials: Profit \$239.17 See MHCO Fuzzy Show Financial Report Attached – Appendix# ____

11) Social Committee - Caroline Moor & Doug:

- 11.1 CanAm: is a go for 2017. March 31-2nd Markham Fair Grounds. Volunteer horses needed and all vaccinations MUST be up to date. The cost to attend is \$600. MHCO had 6 new Members that came directly from CanAm for 2016. Please note that Volunteers can be of any age – 2017 MHCO Memberships must be paid by January 1. You will be required to participate in the Demo's. As a note: Amber Marshall will be in attendance. Motion by Sharon Heath: MHCO to participate at the 2017 CanAm at a fee of \$600. 2nd by: Julia Magi None opposed -carried



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- 11.2 Please note you need to be a Member (in good standing,) to volunteer at any Promotional Event. (ie your Membership must be paid in full well in advance (January 1) BEFORE the event takes place.)
- 11.3 The Fergus Legion has been booked for 2017 for both the Spring/Fall AGM's
- 11.4 \$288 was raised today for the AMHA fundraiser in Quilt ticket sales. (Thank you Frannie Filipowicz for the donation of your beautiful quilt!)
- 11.5 **Fundraising Committee –**
- Please don't forget that we are a nonprofit organization and running fund raisers like the silent auction table we enjoyed today goes a long way to fund our Clubs activities. (It is an easy and effective way to raise substantial funds!)
 - Darrin Dennis: What about 50/50 draws? Doug: We certainly can do this and have done it limited in the past, but these types of fundraisers need volunteer support. (Darrin has offered his assistance with running this draw.)
 - New Member Nancy Cohen: She sells a product called "head of the herd" that she retails for \$19.95 She will sell to Clubs for \$10 & Clubs use this as a fund raiser (making \$10/bottle.) Nancy will take back any product that is not sold. Reminder: The MHCO cannot sell merchandise at any promotional event. This could only be sold at Mtg's & the Fuzzy Show. The MHCO will work with Nancy and set-up a display at the Fuzzy Show as a fundraiser.
 - What about tack swaps? We have held a swap at the Fuzzy Show. We could charge the Membership a table fee. Or we can run it free of charge as a service to our membership
 - Carolyn A: 2016 Driving Clinic: 29 ppl @ \$25/each. 5 horses participated @ \$75/each. Profit: \$999.50 to the Club.
 - In 2017 we will be holding an advanced driving clinic using an outside clinician on Aug. 20th at QuarDreams. (The day after the Savagemoor show @ QuarDreams) This clinic will also be open for Auditors to attend.
 - The committee will investigate holding a beginner driving clinic again in 2017, as per requested by the Membership

12) A & P - Carolyn Aarup:

- 12.1 Carolyn A: The Rider Magazine (Kelly Bowers,) has offered the MHCO an ad space in their paper at a reduced fee of \$59 x2 for a business card sized add. MHCO will go forward and pay for this advertising. Raquel: It was suggested as per our club mandate that more "public" promotion is needed like booths at trade shows etc if club can afford it
- 12.2 The budget is \$900/year for advertising.
- 12.3 2017 Grey/Bruce Farmers Week will also be supported by the MHCO. (No fee to attend)
- 12.4 Wendy Eagle: March 3-4th Central Ontario Ag. Conference (Georgian College in Barrie,) will also include backyard/small scale farming, as well Equine Specialists will be in attendance on the Saturday. Equine Mania will also be in attendance. \$250 fee for Clubs to attend (Have a display table and includes 1 free attendance ticket.) \$35 fee for attendees. Anne Savage: Would the Club pay for the Youth to attend? –Yes (Volunteers to attend will be: Bev Beesley and Faith Dennis) 18 "Show of hands" were counted from the Membership shows support for the MHCO to attend. -2 Opposed



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- 12.5 Horse Illustrated (USA) has contacted the MHCO for advertising, but the cost is several hundred dollars and not worth the price to advertise in a US magazine
- 12.6 Julie Chronicle Update on sales: All copies were sold and the Club returned a profit on this fundraiser. Unfortunately the chronicle cannot be turned into a digital format for purchase.
- 12.7 \$802 funds were raised today towards the silent auction table – deposit split \$402 each to MHCO Reg Account and AMHR Classics Sanctioned show Account
- 12.8 Julie: Cook books \$280.52 raised to date and are still available @ \$12/each
- 12.9 Julie: AMHR Journal Ads: \$75 to receive promotion in 6 Journals, under the MHCO full page ad. To date we have 5 paid ads. Carolyn A asked Julie to prepare another email to send out to members again

13) New Business – Doug Savage:

- 13.1 There will be an Insurance increase for 2017 of 3%. MHCO Insurance is through InterCity, who offers the MHCO a drastically reduced rate based on other providers. Our Insurance also includes Director coverage insurance.

14) Old Business – Doug Savage:

- 1.1. 14.1. Doug: Currently at the MHCO the jumping courses do not have a change of diagonal. This year we had questions by AMHR Judges asking why we don't do this. So for 2017, we will re-instate this change.
- 1.2. Laurie Green: Review the requirement to attend 3 points shows out of the series of 5 shows. Laurie explained that her sponsored trophy (Perpetual Youth Driving) has not been handed out for the last 2 years due to the Youth Drivers driving in less than the required 60% of club shows. Discussion within the Membership was held on this topic without any resolution. This topic will be added onto the Agenda of the 2017 Spring AGM for further discussion.

Motion to Adjourn: Lori Lloyd

Meeting end time: 4:45



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2017 Itinerary (Confirmed)

AGM's:

Spring AGM, Sunday March 26th, 2017 @ 10:00 am, Fergus Legion

Fall AGM, Awards, Sunday October 29th, 2017 @ Fergus Legion

Events:

Can Am Equine Expo, Markham Fairgrounds, March 31st, April 1st, April 2nd

MHCO Fuzzy Show/Clinic, ~~Saturday April 15th~~, Saturday April 22nd, Quardream, Mount Forest

Shows:

Brooklin MHCO Point Show, Brooklin Fair, Saturday June 3rd

Fisher MHCO Point Show, Sunday June 11th, Minden

MHCO AMHR Show, Saturday July 8th, Quardream, Mount Forest

MHCO AMHA Show, Saturday July 29th, Brown's, Ingersoll

Savage MHCO Point Show, Saturday August 19th, Quardream, Mount Forest

Orangeville MHCO Point Show, Sunday September 3rd, Orangeville Fair

GNE, Collingwood MHCO Point Show, Sunday September 24th, Collingwood Fair

Clinics:

MHCO Driving Clinic, Sunday August 20th, Quardream, Mount Forest