# Date: October 30, 2012 El Dorado Stable Committee Meeting Minutes

The ECIA Stable Committee held its regular monthly meeting on October 30th, 2012 in the Conference Room. Gretel Underwood called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. A quorum was present with Gretel Underwood, Elsa Kloess, Alice Griffin, and Karen Cameron. Also in attendance were Bill Donohue, Pat Donohue, Joe Loewy, Carol Loewy, and Julie Lubke.

Elsa made a motion to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved. Karen made a motion to approve the minutes for the September 25th meeting. Unanimously approved.

Jan Deligans was not available to give the ECIA Board Liaison report. She resigned from her ECIA Board position earlier in the week.

Bill Donohue gave his General Manager's report. He stated that the new trail access to the El Dorado Preserve was mostly finished. The trail is accessible from the 101 trail head. It is exposed to the South and should therefore be open all Winter. He invited everyone to please enjoy and use the new trail.

The Stable Committee would like to thank everyone who worked on this project especially members of the Stable Community: Doug Armstrong, SueAnn Armstrong, Frances Aull, and Tommie Brasel.

Sub-Committee reports •

### Arenas

- Pat Donohue reported that the footing in the Upper Arena is doing fine. She stated that Brian and the Maintenance Crew are very helpful and doing a great job on the weekly maintenance.
- General Maintenance
- Gretel reported that weeds had been cut in the walkways between the corrals and around the Main Gate. The fire break behind the stables on the western end of the amenity had been worked on. Brush had been stacked and removed. Some of the roads had been graded and some base coarse had been added.

## Open Forum

• Joe Loewy requested a revision of the current turnout policy in the Lower Arena. He suggested an increase of the turnout time limit from 10 minutes, if no one is waiting, to 20 minutes.

#### Discussion Items:

- The creation of a stable member information packet was discussed. This was to be done in cooperation with the General Manager.
- An Open House at the Stables is planned for the weekend after Thanksgiving with a provisional rain date for the following weekend. Open barns, pony rides, photo ops for the holidays and hot cider and/or hot chocolate were discussed.
- Tasks and assignments regarding the stable amenity were discussed. Among those were the possibility or necessity for a stable cleanup day, and the fly predator program.
- The process of the re-writing of the rules and regulations was discussed. It was agreed to simplify the process.

Alice Griffin adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

## Elsa Kloess