

2012 SEFHA Meeting Minutes

SEFHA Meeting Minutes January 17, 2012

SEFHA members met on January 17 at 6:30 in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham. There were 26 members present. Members had a chance to socialize before Dave called the meeting to order at 7:00. Mike Bruce said the blessing before dinner was served. Dave introduced four visitors to SEFHA members; we were delighted to have them join us.

There was discussion about our next colt starting challenge. Dave and Ginger Collie have met with Stephanie at Old Dominion Agriculture Complex and there are dates available in October. We discussed possibly having the competition a little earlier in the fall so that it won't be so cold. Currently the complex has 118 parking spaces with more to be added in the future. The cost to rent the arena is \$1000 a day and we would be required to pay \$1,500 in advance, \$500 of the deposit would be reimbursed to SEFHA after the event. The arena will seat 1000 people and everyone agreed that we would want the entire complex to ourselves that day (no other events taking place). The fee includes the use of the arena only and nothing else at this point. There is currently no means of containment for the horses and this would need to be addressed if we hold the event at the complex. Chatham Hall has expressed the desire for SEFHA to hold the colt starting challenge there again. Susan Newton questioned if there were other locations suitable to hold the challenge. Lexington Horse Center and another location in Madison, North Carolina were mentioned as possible sites, along with Chatham Hall.

Tommy Motley, an Old Dominion Agriculture Complex board member, spoke briefly on the center's finances and time frame for completing the equestrian arena and the plan for purchasing more land to expand parking. Tommy thanked SEFHA for being one of the first to donate money to the Old Dominion Agriculture Complex when the project was first started. The board members of ODAC will be holding a meeting on Thursday night and Tommy will advise Cheryl Tuggle on Friday of their discussions and plans.

Dave announced that both Tom Seay and Ken McNabb are interested in returning for our next colt starting challenge. We will try to set a date that makes it possible for both to attend. There are two dates that the ODAC is already booked and not available; September 22 and October 13, 2012.

On March 24 and 25th there will be a Colt Starting Challenge in Yadkinville, NC. Dave Tuggle has agreed to be a judge and SEFHA members are invited to attend. All horses in the challenge are Paso Finos.

Members discussed clinics they would like to see take place this year. Kathy stated she would like to see a clinic on how to work with horses that have sensitive ears and issues with bridling. Dave mentioned that Leslie Keck would like to see a clinic on how to take equine vital signs (checking temperature, pulse, gums, etc.). It would be nice to incorporate equine dental issues with this clinic and we would ask Suzanne Newcomb from Cherrystone Animal Clinic to teach the clinic.

Dave mentioned that he does farrier work for a group called Re-Run. This organization works with off track thoroughbreds and Dave suggested that it would be nice to see SEFHA and Re-Run jointly hold an event of some kind.

The club's next event is the SEFHA Second Annual Swap Meet being held on March 3, 2012. Club members discussed ways to promote the event and advertising. Dave has talked with Liz Beason and they will place flyers for our event in their shopper's bags at a cost of \$15 for 300 flyers. They would also advertise the event on their website, Equine Extravaganza. All members agreed to the \$15 fee for advertising with Liz Beason. Lisa Geyer has designed the flyers and will get 300 copies printed and mailed to Liz. The deadline for sending the flyers is February 13. Dave suggested that SEFHA give a free table to Harmony Rescue at the swap meet. Jerry Shedd made a motion in favor with Reggie Meads making a second motion, everyone voted in favor.

Kathy and Alvin Petty are planning a weekend camping and trail ride in Cheraw, South Carolina for SEFHA members on the weekend of March 17. The travel time from Danville is approximately 3 1/2 hours. Details will be provided at a later date.

Several members inquired on the date of the St. Jude Trail Ride. Dave says it is usually the last Saturday in April, but he will check with Cloverdale Farms and let us know.

Jerry Shedd brought up the subject of putting Pay Pal on SEFHA's website in order to make it easier for SEFHA to accept payments for events such as the swap meet, colt starting challenge, or other events that require payment. Lisa Geyer explained how Pay Pal works to club members and indicated that there is a small fee for each payment processed. Mandy Wrenn expressed concerns over the fee and how SEFHA would offset those cost. Lisa Tuite made a motion that SEFHA utilize Pay Pal and Susan Newton seconded the motion, all members voted in favor. Jerry Shedd will work with Leslie Keck on setting up a Pay Pal account and placing it on the SEFHA website.

The next SEFHA meeting will be announced at a later date.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15. Respectfully submitted.

Lisa Geyer

SEFHA Secretary

1/30/2012

SEFHA Meeting Minutes February 13 & March 3

SEFHA members met on February 13, 2012 in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham at 6:30. There were 20 members present. Members socialized prior to the meeting, food orders were taken, and Dave said the blessing. The meeting was officially called to order at 7:00 by club president, Dave Tuggle.

Members discussed the upcoming SEFHA Horse Tack Swap Meet being held on March 3. Lisa Geyer designed flyers for the event and Pip Printing printed 300 flyers that will be mailed to The Equestrian Exchange and distributed at their show in North Carolina on February 24/25. Six club members acknowledged that they will be planning to participate in the swap meet. More flyers were given to Cheryl and David Tuggle to distribute locally in the coming weeks.

Dave reminded members of the weekend camping/trail riding trip scheduled for the weekend of March 16 in Cheraw, South Carolina. Contact and trip information was given out for those who would like to go.

Members were also reminded about the Colt Starting Challenge in Yadkinville, North Carolina on the weekend of March 24/25. Club president, Dave Tuggle will be a judge at the event. For those interested in attending, the cost is \$50. Dave reminded members that this cost covers attending on both days.

Members discussed SEFHA's Colt Starting Challenge for 2012. Dave has spoken with the Old Dominion Ag Center and they have promised to have the arena completed, additional parking facilities completed, containment for horses arranged, and all other facilities ready before the challenge date. The cost is \$1,000 per day (the Colt Starting Challenge is a one day event). No contract has been drawn up yet. There is a mandatory requirement that The Old Dominion Agricultural Center be listed as a beneficiary on SEFHA's insurance for this event and Jerry Shedd will check into arranging this.

Jerry Shedd recommended we use The Old Dominion Ag Center for hosting the Colt Starting Challenge. Susan Newton made a motion that we use ODAC, Leslie Keck seconded the motion and all members were in favor. There are two dates that the center will not be available, those being September 22 and October 13. SEFHA members will need to decide on a firm date to hold the event so that the selection of trainers, horses, and judges can be started. The club would like to have Tom Seay and Ken McNabb return as announcer and head judge but their schedules appear to be booked up for the coming year. Dave will check into their availability. The club members discussed two possible dates for the event; October 6 or October 20, 2012. Members were more in favor of October 20 and this will be our tentative date.

Members discussed if we wanted to keep the same distance range for selecting the trainers or if we would like to expand out further (3-4 hours travel distance), and also if we would want to have three new trainers, or consider offering the option for one of the three former trainers to return and try competing again.

Dave advised that the club needs to find as many trainers as possible and asked members to put the word out about the event and that we are looking for trainers. The club will form a Trainer Selection Committee at our next meeting so everyone should be thinking about who may want to do it. We will also need to be looking for suitable horses. We will need four horses (three horses and one alternate) for the challenge.

Leslie Keck and Jerry Shedd explained issues with placing a Pay Pal Account on the current SEFHA website. The current website is a Blog and will not allow for a "Pay With Pay Pal" button to be placed on the site. We only have the option to place a "Donate With Pay Pal" button on the site which may cause confusion for people wishing to purchase tickets for events, etc. on the site. Jerry Shedd has been working on a new website. The cost for the website is approximately \$85 annually. Jerry gave Leslie all of the log-in information and Leslie will go in to the site and see if it will work for us. A final decision on the website will be discussed at the next meeting.

The next meeting date will be announced at a late time. With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Geyer

SEFHA Secretary 3/1/2012

Addendum 3/3/12

There was a brief 10 minute meeting for SEFHA club members after the SEFHA Horse Tack Swap Meet on Saturday March 3. There were approximately 12 members present. Dave announced that he and Deb Bender had been working on a possible Head Trainer for the 2012 Colt Starting Challenge. They have been in contact with Richard Winters of Richard Winters Horsemanship in California. Richard is the 2009 winner of Road To The Horse.

Richard is available to come on October 20 and offered to come and be a judge at no charge other than travel expenses (flight from California and hotel/meals). If Richard comes, that will mean leaving his ranch and having to have someone run it during his absence, which would be an additional cost of \$500. Richard also advised that he would like to be present for the "meet and greet" gathering as well as the actual competition.

All of this will be discussed at SEFHA's next scheduled meeting to be held on March 13 at El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham at 6:30. All members are encouraged to attend the next meeting to hear more about this exciting news.

SEFHA Meeting Minutes March 13, 2012

SEFHA members met at 6:30 on Tuesday, March 13 in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham. There were 26 members present. Club members enjoyed socializing before the meeting was called to order by club president, David Tuggle, at 7:00.

The first order of business was to nominate new SEFHA officers and the new SEFHA board of directors. There are 4 officer positions and 5 board-of-directors positions.

Deb Bender nominated David Tuggle to continue as club president. There were no other nominations made and no one voiced objections. David will continue to be SEFHA's club president. Lisa Tuite, SEFHA's vice president, has unfortunately resigned due to family obligations. David Tuggle suggested Reggie Meads as a possible nominee for vice president. Mandy Wrenn made a motion to nominate Reggie, and Jerry Shedd seconded the motion. Dave had already spoken with Reggie and Reggie has agreed to accept the position. Jerry Shedd, SEFHA's current treasurer, was nominated by Leslie Keck to continue as club treasurer. Millie Crane made a second motion, with Jerry accepting the position. Lisa Geyer, SEFHA's current secretary, was nominated by Leslie Keck with Millie Crane making a second

motion. Lisa accepted the position. Dave asked if there were any other suggestions, nominations, or objections to the nominated officers with no further nominations or objections being made.

The board of directors meets annually, or as needed. The following nominations were made. Jerry Shedd nominated Deb Bender with Deb accepting

Mandy Wrenn nominated Alvin Petty with Alvin declining

Mandy Wrenn nominated Charlie Crane with Charlie declining

Susan Newton nominated Karen Hill with Karen accepting Karen Hill nominated Susan Newton with Susan accepting Cheryl Tuggle nominated Judy Schewepee with Judy accepting Logan Barker nominated Mike Bruce with Mike accepting Charlie Crane nominated Bill Scott with Bill accepting

Jerry Shedd nominated Cheryl Tuggle with Cheryl declining

Logan Barker nominated himself with no objections from club members

Dave asked if there were any other nominations. Dave also asked members if there were any questions or changes members may want to address. With none being made, Susan Newton made a motion to close the nominations with Charlie Crane making a second motion. A vote will be held at the April meeting for the five board of directors positions. All officers and board of director positions become effective in May. Club membership dues are also due in May.

Dave reminded members of the upcoming weekend camping/trail ride event in Cheraw, South Carolina on the weekend of March 16, 17, 18, and encouraged everyone to come, even if they came without the horses.

Planning for the 2012 Colt Starting Invitational is underway. Richard Winters of Richard Winters Horsemanship in California will be the emcee for the event. Judy Schewepee reported that Tom Seay has prior engagements which will prevent him from returning as our emcee again this year. Dave advised the club members that Deb Bender has volunteered to host the meet and greet before the event. We already have 5 trainers that have submitted their names to be competitors:

Charles Pellham, Elisha from Chiefla Stables, Morgan Harris, Russell Terry, & Red Revelle.

The club discussed issues and possible problems if we accepted Red Revelle as a trainer to compete. He is 70 (not a factor), however he is unable to mount a horse due to hip disabilities but has an associate who could compete for him in the obstacle course. The majority of club members felt that it would be looked at as unfair to allow the associate to finish out the competition. Mr. Revelle could compete and end with the ground work segment without mounting and riding the obstacle course. The possibility of his being a judge was also discussed. The club will have to decide how the other trainers would feel and get their input.

Committees were set up as follows:

Trainer Committee: Dave Tuggle, Reggie Meads, Deb Bender, Susan Newton, Logan Barker, Judy Schewepee,

Colt Committee: Ginger Collie, Reggie Meads, Dave Tuggle, Charlie Crane, Henry Adkins, Lisa Tuite

Advertising Committee: Leslie Keck, Lisa Geyer, Jerry Shedd, Mandy Wrenn

Sponsorship Committee: Alvin Petty, Cheryl Tuggle, Millie Crane, Lee Hopkins

Stephanie with Old Dominion Ag Complex will need to draw up the contract and get it to SEFHA as soon as possible so that we can send in the check. The event is scheduled for October 20, 2012. Alvin Petty will start working on sponsorship ads. Dave reminded everyone that this year we will have to sell 1000 tickets.

The cost for advertising in the program will be the same as last year with one exception. We will not offer a 3/4 page ad. The costs are as follows:

1/8 page.....	\$25.00
1/4 page.....	\$50.00
1/2 page.....	\$75.00

Full page.....\$100.00

The club discussed becoming a member of the Virginia Horse Council, a non-profit organization, representing all breeds, riders, and disciplines. Membership is \$100 and being a member could help promote SEFHA and give us access to more advertising. The club members will take a vote at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on April 10, 2012 at El Cazador Restaurant.

With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15. Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Geyer 3/20/2012

SEFHA Meeting Minutes April 10, 2012

SEFHA members met on April 10 at 6:30 in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham. There were 27 members present. Dave called the meeting to order at 6:50 and Mike Bruce gave the blessing before food orders were taken.

Elections for the four officers and five board of directors were held. Ballots were handed out to each member present for the meeting. The four officers ran unopposed and have all accepted continuing in their positions. (Reggie Meads takes Lisa Tuite's place as Vice President). There were seven nominees for the five board of director positions. Nominees were: Deb Bender, Mike Bruce, Logan Barker, Judy Schwepee, Susan Newton, Bill Scott, and Karen Hill. Lisa Tuite and Marsha Barksdale tallied the ballots and the new board of directors are:

- Deb Bender
- Mike Bruce
- Logan Barker
- Bill Scott
- Susan Newton

The SEFHA officers hold their position for one year; the boards of director positions are held for two years.

Dave talked about being a judge for the colt starting challenge held in Yadkinville, NC several weeks ago. There were some great horses and competitors at the challenge and Dave acknowledged how much he enjoyed being a part of the competition. Dave has been asked to return next year and graciously accepted.

Bill Scott, and his wife, Martha have invited all SEFHA members and their families to a hot dog supper at their home on June 2 at 6:30. Their address is 1345 Tight Squeeze Road, Chatham, VA. Dave will send out an email with the address and other information. Bill asked that members RSVP so he would know how many to expect and how many to cook for.

Lisa Tuite had spoken to Dave prior to the club meeting about the Gretna Memorial Day Parade. Dave asked how many members would be interested in participating. The parade will be held in the daytime on Saturday, May 26 and participants are asked to dress in patriotic attire. Reggie Meads volunteered to be the contact person between SEFHA and Gretna parade officials.

In our last meeting members were asked to consider SEFHA becoming a member of the Virginia Horse Council. The cost is \$100 annually and it is felt that being a member will benefit SEFHA and help us stay informed on current state legislation that may affect the horse community, as well as help advertise SEFHA in the state. Linda Singer made a motion for SEFHA to become a member, and Lisa Tuite seconded the motion. Members voted unanimously to become a member.

Dave reminded everyone of the St. Jude Ride being held on April 28 at Cloverdale Farms in Sutherlin, VA. The ride starts at 10:00, the entry fee is \$25 and participants must bring a current negative Coggins. 100% of the proceeds will be sent to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

SEFHA members that attended the Cheraw, SC camping/trail riding weekend shared their fun weekend stories with SEFHA members. Dave told members that the campground is awesome and that the trails for riding a great, mostly very easy trails that anyone can ride.

Alvin Petty and Dave are working on the sponsorship advertising for our 2012 Colt Starting Challenge, and they have designed a new sponsorship application. SEFHA will use Pip Printing again for printing the programs. Dave will email a copy of the application to SEFHA members and anyone that wants to contact possible sponsors can make copies. The cutoff for accepting ads this year will be September 1. Prices for the sponsors will be the same as last year, however, as mentioned in our last meeting, we will not offer a 3/4 page ad, we will offer 1/4, 1/2, and full page. The inside covers and back cover have already been taken (sponsors from last year were offered these spaces first and all have acknowledged that they wish to have those spots again). Cheryl mentioned that we have plenty of programs left over from the 2011 Colt Starter Challenge and members may wish to use them when making contacts for program sponsors.

Dave also mentioned that Pepsi will be a sponsor at the St. Jude ride on April 28, and Dave would like to talk with Pepsi and see if they are interested in being a sponsor for the 2012 Colt Starter Challenge. Dave will also try to make contact with the newspapers and television stations again in hopes of gaining coverage for the event. Mike Bruce stated that we still do not have the finished DVD's from last year's challenge, but we hope to have them soon.

Dave announced that he had received an email from Ann Walker at Dogwood Farm in Axton, Virginia. Ann wanted SEFHA members to know about the upcoming Competitive Trail Challenge on June 30. Members are encouraged to participate, or volunteer for the event. More information may be obtained by going to www.ACTHA.us.

Mandy Wrenn passed around a flyer for a local child that is in need of financial funds for medical bills. SEFHA members discussed holding a benefit trail ride to raise money. Scharlie Dillon is a seven year old that suffers from an incurable disease called Eosinophilia Esophagitis. Other than cantaloupe, grapes, potatoes, and apples, Scharlie is allergic to nearly every food and weighs a mere 35 pounds. Susan Newton made a motion that SEFHA host a benefit trail ride and the motion was seconded by Deb Bender and all members voted unanimously to host the benefit ride. More details will be discussed at the next meeting.

The next SEFHA meeting will be held on May 8 at 6:30.

With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15. Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth (Lisa) Geyer

April 13, 2012

SEFHA Meeting Minutes May 8, 2012

SEFHA members met on May 8 in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham at 6:30. There were 24 members present.

Dave called the meeting to order at 7:00 and asked Mike Bruce to say the blessing before dinner orders were taken.

Dave reported that the SEFHA St. Jude Trail Ride held at Cloverdale Quarters was a huge success, with 70 riders participating. A total of \$2,650 was taken in with all proceeds going to St. Jude Children's Hospital. The money will not be sent in until Friday, May 11 and there is plenty of time if anyone is interested in making a contribution before then.

SEFHA has several events scheduled during the spring/summer months. The next SEFHA event will be the Memorial Day Gretna Parade held on May 26. Reggie Meads gave members information concerning the parade and guidelines the Gretna parade officials were asking us to follow. The parade starts at 2:00 p.m. and all participants are asked to be at the Gretna Elementary School at 1:00. Those with horse

trailers may park in the school bus area. Participants are also asked to dress in patriotic attire (red, white, and blue).

Bill and Martha Scott are hosting a cook-out dinner for SEFHA members on June 2. The gathering will start at 6:30 and a SEFHA meeting will follow. Dave reminded members to please RSVP to Bill so he and Martha will know how many to prepare food for.

Lisa Geyer and Jerry Shedd will host a de-spooking clinic on June 16. The clinic will start at 10:00. Anyone that would like to bring their horse is encouraged to do so. There will be plenty of fun obstacles for owners and their horses to work with. An email will be sent out to members with all the details and directions.

Dave cautioned all horse owners to be diligent in limiting their horses grazing time. The pastures are extremely lush right now and there have been many, many cases of founder and laminitis reported from horse owners in the area.

SEFHA's new board of directors held a closed meeting and discussed the need for the club to have a Membership Coordinator. This position is an annual elected position. Susan Newton spoke to club members about the responsibilities and duties of a Membership Coordinator and informed members that the board of directors recommended Deb Bender for the position this year. Lisa Geyer made the motion that we accept the newly created position and that Deb Bender be approved, Jerry Shedd made a second motion and all members voted in favor of the additional officer position and Deb being nominated for the position.

Dave asked all members to keep Linda Singer in their prayers. Linda was in a horse riding accident and has serious injuries to her leg.

Members were reminded of the ACTHA ride being held on June 30 at Dogwood Farms and hosted by Ann Miller. SEFHA members have volunteered to serve a light breakfast.

Members gave updates on the planning progress for the 2nd Annual Colt Starting Challenge.

SEFHA has chosen their third competitor. Jerry Shedd advised that he had written to Ken McNabb asking if he would give SEFHA his official endorsement for the 2012 Colt Starting Challenge. Ken contacted Jerry and wrote a very nice endorsement for us to use in our advertising.

Cheryl advised members that if they would like to have a copy of the contact sheet for sponsors from last year they could see her at Southern States and she would give them a copy.

Members discussed if they would like to continue with our current domain name for our website. The annual fee is due and must be paid if we wish to keep the name; otherwise someone else can register the name. Lisa Geyer made a motion to keep the current domain name and Millie Crane seconded the motion, all members were in favor. Jerry Shedd also mentioned that the club needs to quickly make a decision about our website; keeping the existing blog site, or creating a fully functional website that will allow us to use PayPal. If our website can feature PayPal, we will be able to sell tickets online for the Colt Starting Challenge and any other future events that involve a fee.

The next meeting will be in conjunction with our gathering at Bill Scott's on June 2. With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45. Respectfully submitted.

Lisa Geyer,
Secretary

SEFHA Meeting Minutes June 2, 2012

SEFHA members enjoyed great food and fellowship at Bill and Martha Scott's home on June 2. A brief meeting was held after dinner and the following items were discussed.

SEFHA members enjoyed participating in the Gretna Parade on Memorial Day weekend, and the horses, along with Deb's miniature pony, were the highlight for everyone. Fun was had by all who joined in.

Members were reminded about the upcoming de-spooking clinic held at Lisa Geyer's on June 16. Flyers were handed out for the event along with directions. The clinic starts at 10:00.

Dave announced that SEFHA has selected their third trainer for the 2012 Colt Starting Challenge. Go to the SEFHA website to read all about Brock Griffith from Denton, North Carolina.

Last week the horse selection committee started their search for four suitable horses for the Colt Starting Challenge. On Thursday, May 31 the committee looked at several horses and will continue to search for untrained, but halter broke, horses for the November competition.

Dave asked members for their thoughts on helping Maggie Gardiner with a horse show in August. While the club members did not vote, the general consensus was that we wanted to help with the event, but there is not enough information available or time to do so in just two months. It was suggested that Dave talk with Maggie to see if she would like to wait and hold the show sometime in the early Spring of 2013, allowing plenty of time to prepare and advertise for the event.

Dwight Oaks invited members to join with his group of riders for a trail ride on Thursday, June 7. Riders will meet at Bo Jangles in Lynchburg. For more details, contact Dwight.

Member were reminded that SEFHA will hold their cowboy competition sometime in the early fall and asked members to be thinking about an exact date they would like for the event to be held. This is always a fun event and well attended.

SEFHA's next meeting will be announced at a later date. Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Geyer,
Secretary

SEFHA Meeting Minutes July 10, 2012

Members met at 6:30 in Chatham at El Cazador Restaurant for the July meeting. There were 29 members present. David called the meeting to order at 7:00.

The ACTHA trail ride at Dogwood Farms went well. Ann Walker spoke briefly about the event and encouraged everyone to become members of ACTHA and join in on the fun at future rides. Ann stated that Dogwood Farms will be hosting the event again next year. Participants must be members of ACTHA.

Members all agreed to postpone any SEFHA events for the next couple of months. July and August are too hot for outdoor activities, especially this year. SEFHA's next scheduled event will be the Cowboy Competition. The event will be held at the Tuggle Farm. Several dates were discussed with members deciding to set September 29 as the date of the competition. The competition will start at 10:00.

Dave brought the tapes from the 2011 Colt Starter Challenge to the meeting. Since the recordings have never been transferred to DVD format, Dave asked Jerry Shedd to take on the project.

Tickets for the 2012 Colt Starter Challenge will go on sale August 1, 2012. For this reason, Dave would like to have the new website up and running by that date. Leslie Keck, the club web master, is on vacation so Dave asked Jerry Shedd to start work on the website again. The former site was terminated by the host, Webstarts, due to inactivity.

Dave also reminded members that August 15 is the deadline for submitting sponsor ads for the program. We are in need of someone taking a cover page (Blackwell Dodge will not be participating this year) and they were a cover page sponsor last year.

Dave asked Karen Hill if she would be in charge of the silent auction table again this year and Karen graciously accepted the responsibility.

Things are quickly moving along in preparation for the 2012 Colt Starter Challenge. The committee has been to look at horses, the saddle (grand prize) has been ordered, and three vendors have been secured for food service at the event.

In closing, Dave reminded all members to keep an eye on their horses in these extreme temperatures. Lots of shade and plenty of water are a must. Horses may be at risk for heat stress, colic, etc. in extreme heat.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2012. With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Geyer,

Secretary

July 17, 2012

SEFHA Meeting August 14, 2012

At El Cazadors, Chatham Virginia

1st Topic

Cowboy Competition to be held Saturday September 29th 2012 at David and Cheryl Tuggle's house.

Fee is Free for Members

\$25 for Non Members and this will include them a 1 year membership to the association.

2nd Topic

Colt Starting Invitational.

Saturday October 20, 2012

The Meet and Greet will be held at Deb Bender's house on Friday, October 19, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.. This will be limited to the volunteers that are working at the Colt Starting only.

Reggie Meads went over the contract for the Olde Dominion Ag Center. The price was given and the Ag Center asked for a copy of the Liability insurance and the deposit.

A motion was made for Reggie and David to negotiate the additional rental of the Conference room also. A motion was made by Deb Bender, seconded by Charlie Crane and was voted on unanimously.

The use of Wrist Bands were discussed and approved to be used at the gate for the event. A price was approved of \$100 for 1000 bands.

The paypal account was added to the website and Jerry discussed how the selling of the tickets on line would be handled. Jerry volunteered to be the one in charge of keeping up with all purchases. He said that he would be able to keep up with a list that would be assigned to a will call gate where the participant would claim there ticket the day of the event.

Jobs were assigned for the event.

Meet and Greet: Deb Bender

Silent Auction: Karen Hill. Deadline for all donations is October 10. Drop off points are to Karen or Southern States Chatham. If you plan to just bring something to the event, please contact Karen so she will be prepared for the item (434-432-3205)

Timers: Nick, Susan Newton, Cathy Keatts, Ann Thomas (alternate)

Official Timer: Bill Scott, Charlie Crane (alternate)

Score Guard: Allyssa Thomas

Score Tallier: Ginger Collie

Judge Referee: Dwight Oaks

Video Camera: Jerry Shedd, Mike Bruce, Russ Singer

Gates: Nancy Bruce, Marsha Barksdale, Cathy Petty, Marty Perry, Stephanie Wasserman

Parking: Tim Hill, Kevin Blanchard, Logan Barker

Refreshments for Judges: Carol Meeds, Cathy Petty, Sandra Brady

Opening Prayer: Mike Bruce

Flag Bearer: Amanda Wrenn (American) Allyssa Thomas (Virginian)

Horse Wranglers: Charlie Crane Henry Adkins

National Anthem: ?

Next meeting will be September 11, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at El Cazador in Chatham.

SEFHA MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

Club members met at 6:30 in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham. There were 31 members present.

The first topic of discussion was the SEFHA Cowboy Competition. The event will be held on September 29 at the Tuggle Farm and will start at 10:00. Food and drinks will be available for those attending. Dave encouraged members to attend and compete, and to also encourage others to attend. The fee for non members is \$25 which includes a year membership with SEFHA. There will be prizes awarded. Dave advised that this year's event will feature some new surprises in the obstacle course.

Our next topic of discussion was the Colt Starter Challenge being held on October 20. Cheryl distributed copies of job assignments and a list of program sponsors. Members were reminded about the meet and greet being held on Friday night at Deb Bender's home. This is for members working the challenge on Saturday and starts at 6:30. Judges and competitors will have a chance to ask questions and go over the rules. Set up at the Olde Dominion Ag Center will be on Friday and must be completed by 5:00 p.m. Dave asked all members helping with set up to plan on arriving around 9:00 a.m.

Members that wish to donate items for the silent auction table were asked to have them to Karen Hill or Southern States by October 10.

SEFHA has chosen the four horses for the competition (one as a back-up). All four horses are mares and are approximately the same age and breed. Horses are from Sandy Creek and Spring Hill.

Dave and Reggie have met with the Ag Center and they have agreed, in addition to the arena, to allow SEFHA to have use of the kitchen and conference area for the day. In return, SEFHA will give them a free full page ad in the center of our program.

Food vendors will be at the event all day this year and we will have several to pick from, including Chic-Fil-A and Melrose Bison Burgers!

The sound system has been taken care of and Barry Davis will be handling that again this year.

Cheryl brought the tickets which are bundled in packs of 10. Any members that wished to take bundles to sell were asked to do so.

Jerry Shedd asked about advertising on the marquee of Blairs Volunteer Fire Department because of the exposure our event could receive from Highway 29 traffic. Dave will check into this. There was further discussion on the best way to advertise our event (radio versus newspapers). Lisa Geyer designed and sent out flyers to tack shops in Virginia and North Carolina. Posters designed by Susan Newton were given to members to place at various stores in the area. Mandy Wrenn gave prices for advertising in Piedmont Shopped, The Register and Bee and The Star Tribune.

A treasurer's report was given and a list of the expenses involved for the Colt Starter Challenge was discussed. With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Geyer

Secretary

SEFHAMeeting Minutes October 9, 2012

Members met at the El Cazador Restaurant at 6:30 and enjoyed having great fellowship before the meeting was called to order at 7:10.

As everyone knows, the Cowboy Competition was cancelled on September 29 due to rain. David discussed possible rain dates for the Cowboy Competition noting that several weekends were not available for most members because of other events taking place. The new date for SEFHA's Cowboy Competition is November 17 at 10:00. The event will be held at the Tuggle Farm. Four people showed up in the rain on September 29 and David reported that they enjoyed the fellowship and unofficial competition.

David reviewed all of the preparations for the Colt Starter Challenge on November 20. David and Reggie have met with the Olde Dominion Ag Center officials and the barn will not be ready in time for the event. The center will, however, have temporary stalls set up for our event.

David went over the list of job assignments and all volunteers that are helping with set-up on Friday are asked to be at the center at 9:00. After some scheduling conflicts, vendors for the event will be allowed to set up after 12:00 noon on Friday, but only 1 of the conference room will be free at that time.

The meet and greet location has changed and will be held at Windswept Farms (Colin and Sandra Brady). The address is: 625 Bachelor Hall Farm Road, Danville, VA 24541. The gathering starts at 6:30 and David stated that judges and trainers would hold the meeting first and then the club and guests would enjoy social time.

All SEFHA members are asked to try and arrive at the Olde Dominion Ag Complex by 6:00 a.m. on Saturday. Gates open at 8:00 and the event will start at 9:00.

Members were also reminded to get their donated items for the silent auction to Karen Hill ASAP. Several members brought their items to the meeting.

Dave passed around the "official" Colt Starter Challenge program. A copy of the program is being sent to Richard Winters in advance so that he will have time to familiarize himself with the trainers and judges.

There was considerable discussion about ways to video the competition. Most SEFHA members have video cameras that utilize cassette tapes. Colin Brady discussed the possibility of using digital cameras. If members can tape the event with digital cameras, Mr. Brady has offered to compile all of the footage into a DVD. There is also the issue of battery life and filming a day-long event.

Mandy Wrenn asked members to help Dave celebrate his 50th birthday by singing Happy Birthday, which we all cheerfully did – Happy Belated Birthday Dave! With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15. Next meeting TBA .

Respectfully, Lisa Geyer Secretary

SEFHA Meeting Minutes November 13, 2012

SEFHA members met in the banquet room of El Cazador Restaurant in Chatham at 6:30.

Everyone enjoyed visiting and having social time before the meeting was called to order at 7:00. There were 28 members present.

Dave thanked all members for their hard work on the Colt Starter Challenge and conveyed to members the many compliments he had received from people in the community, and from far away.

Dave announced that SEFHA did make a profit from the colt starting challenge. For those who would like to know the exact expenditures, income, profit/loss, you may get in touch with the SEFHA treasurer, Jerry Shedd.

Dave asked everyone to be thinking about next year and if we would like to host a Third Annual Colt Starter Challenge. We would need to make a decision in January in order to book a fall date with the Olde Dominion Ag Center.

All members were reminded about the upcoming cowboy competition to be held this Saturday (November 17) at the Tuggle Farm. The event starts at 10:00 and there will be food and drinks available.

Members also discussed participating in the Chatham Parade again this year. Linda Singer made a motion that we participate again, Karen Hill second the motion and members voted in favor. Bill Scott will check on the exact date, but at the time of the meeting, Saturday December 1 appears to be the parade date. More information will follow.

Karen Hill talked about her recent training session with James Cooler, one of last year's competitors in the Colt Starter Challenge. James would like to do some type of project or clinic for SEFHA members. We will discuss this more at our next meeting.

Dave announced that the SEFHA Swap Meet will be held on February 23, 2013. We will be holding the swap meet a little earlier this year (normally held in March) due to scheduling conflicts at the Olde Dominion Ag Center.

Reggie Meads reminded members that we would not have a meeting in December, and that our next meeting will be in January.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully,

Lisa Geyer,
SEFHA Secretary