

August 10, 2013 SEFHA Meeting Minutes

Location: Deb Bender's Farm

Attendance: 26

3:00-5:00pm - Horse Play

Two members braved the heat and humidity and brought their mounts for this casual play date. As soon as a rather violent summer storm :(passed during this time, the Pettys and the Johnsons were able to enjoy some horse training in the round pen and also on some of the trail obstacles.

5:00-8:00pm - Meal, presentations, prize drawing, meeting

After the blessing, everyone dug right in to a delicious potluck picnic supper. The kitchen overflowed with what seemed to be a TON of amazing and tasty dishes--true potluck style, with everyone contributing more than our hungry bellies could hold!

Dr. Suzanne Newcomb then gave a very professional, informative presentation on equine dental care, addressing various questions as they were asked. Dr. Newcomb educated the group in several areas--from basic anatomy, to typical dental problems and treatment, to general preventive measures.

Next, Susan Newton offered us close inspection of her new Specialized Saddle; and she highlighted the benefits of this uniquely designed, custom-fitted saddle as she has personally experienced. She handed out brochures from the Texas distributor to those who were interested. Further information can be obtained from www.twsaddlery.com; or you can call 915-726-0550 or email dave@specializedsaddles.com for a free DVD.

During a quick break, members' names were collected from those in attendance for a drawing. Vicky Johnson won the surprise of \$50 cash. Names were also drawn for two delicious watermelons donated by the Singers.

SEFHA Vice President Reggie Meades closed the evening with a review of the latest negotiations he and David have had with the Ag Center concerning fees and terms of the contract for the SEFHA Colt Starting Challenge this coming October 19th. The group was also canvassed for those who are willing to sell tickets, which were then assigned and recorded in numbered batches of ten.

Meeting adjourned.

Everyone had a great time of food, fellowship, education and fun. We will simply have to do this again!

Submitted by Deb Bender