

DHD&CT MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2026

**(DHD & CT Membership Meetings are regularly scheduled for the
2nd Thursday of EVERY month)**

Attending: Barbara Nagle, Cynthia Lord, Laurie Young, Ann Hill, Virginia Tucker, Montana Zito, Sandy Gillespie, Rosalee Leonard

ACTION ITEM SUMMARY:

Responsible Party: Ann

- Confirm with Lisa Smit about hosting the holiday celebration at BEC on December 5th. Time TBD.

Responsible Party: Barbara

- Forward the email sent to the beneficiary to Montana.
- Contact Montana's mom regarding the costume contest judging committee.
- Send Montana the information and access for volunteer coordination (Excel sheet, email link, etc.).
- Check with Lynn Everest about continuing as judge's hiring agent for 2027.
- Ask Gloria about continuing as awards purchasing agent for 2027.
- Promote and advertise the October show, including sending out mass emails for volunteer sign-up.
- Arrange for the \$50 reward for Treager's lessons with Katie.

Responsible Party: Cynthia

- Consider and discuss with Krista Wright the possibility of outsourcing parts of the treasurer job.

Responsible Party: Montana

- Message Cheyenne to confirm the correct email for the beneficiary and follow up on their participation.

Responsible Party: All Members

- Start looking for a new treasurer or someone to shadow Krista Wright.

AUGUST MINUTES: Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- RJ Account Balance (8/31/26): \$8,311.46. Directors and Officers Insurance paid (\$634.28). Policy goes from 9-14-26 to 9-14-27.
- Paypal Account Balance (8/31/26): ~ \$700
- Net profit Jan through Aug: \$811.75. Profit was lower than usual due to only two horse shows being held.

NEW MEMBER

Rosalee was introduced as a new member who is interested in volunteering and potentially purchasing a dressage prospect. She has already submitted her 2027 membership.

OLD BUSINESS

Readiness for October Show

- Beneficiary has been notified by email and invited to the show but has not responded to the email invitation. Montana offered to help by contacting Cheyenne. Virginia confirmed that Jill would be speaking to Ponytails on September 26th and was open to discussing the DHD & CT benefit show if necessary.
- Wickham Park applied facility rental fee from January cancelled show to the October show.
- Wickham Park confirmed that packaged food (as well as any other non-food items) can be sold at the show without any licensing.
- Prix Caprilli tests updated with new entry requirements.

- Wix website has been updated with all show information but waiver interface with Dropbox Sign needs to be confirmed.
- Word Press Entry form has been created. Entries open September 24.
- Goal is to run higher level tests first to accommodate Prix Caprilli tests in standard arena with lower level tests and eventing tests to follow in short arena. This approach will also give the kids more time to prepare their horses and costumes as they are the ones most likely to dress up.
- Barb alerted Montana to the fact that the barns/stalls will need to be cleaned (aisle blown out and stalls raked in both barns) prior to the show.
- Montana informed the team she cannot dedicate time to personally recruiting volunteers this year due to work and school commitments, and the group agreed that mass emails about volunteer needs can be sent by the President, Barbara, or Cynthia to the group email list instead of individual outreach.
- Sandy confirmed that she will handle ride times.
- Leftover prizes will be used as supplemental awards for costume contest winners and treat bags will be awarded for 1st place class winners.

Membership Structure Review Committee Report

The committee was comprised of Barbara Nagle, Gloria Kanungo, Ann Hill and Cynthia Lord. The committee discussed a rate for non-rider membership, membership requirements, family membership definition and trainer definition. Ultimately the committee concluded that the current membership structure is working adequately without modification to the Bylaws and this is the committee's recommendation. The committee recommended updating website text to align with existing bylaws regarding membership definitions.

Board Nominations

- President – Barbara Nagle
- Vice President – Cynthia Lord is willing to serve as vice president but noted she has limitations on her availability.
- Secretary - Laurie Young; Barb noted that the secretary position includes documenting meeting minutes and managing the USDF roster and payments.
- Treasurer – TBD; Krysta Wright offered to continue in the position for one more year if no one stepped up to serve in this position but she would prefer to step aside. Cynthia suggested outsourcing specific difficult aspects of the treasurer's role. Members were urged to start looking for a new treasurer or someone to shadow Krysta who could take over the position in 2028.
- Board Member At Large: Roselee (Rose) Leonard, Ann Hill, Montana Zito, Virginia Tucker

NEW BUSINESS

2027 Activities Planning

The BOD decided to host a 3-show series in 2027 with associated year-end awards. This decision was based on the allocation of volunteer resources as follows:

- Show Manager: TBD
- Show Secretary: Sandy Gillespie
- Volunteer Coordinator: Montana Zito with support from Virginia Tucker
- Judges Hiring Agent: Lynne Everest (potential)
- Awards Purchasing Agent: Gloria Kanungo (potential) with Cynthia Lord as co-agent.

The following show dates were selected from the Wickham Park available dates: January 31, March 7, and April 11.

Volunteer hours for this show series will begin to accrue on December 1, 2026.

Holiday Celebration

The members decided to proceed with a holiday celebration at Brevard Equestrian Center on December 5th, which will include a cookie exchange and potentially a stick horse dressage competition.

BRAGS/REWARDS

Treager Tucker reported taking dressage and jumping lessons from Katie Honeywell on Louie. She works on engaging his hind quarters and is aiming to achieve at least a 70% score at first level.

NEXT MEETING: October 8 at 7:00PM via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Nagle

IMPORTANT EVENT DATES

Event	Date	Location
October Halloween Benefit Dressage Schooling Show	October 18, 2026	Wickham Park
Winter Spectacular Dressage Schooling Show	January 31, 2027	Wickham Park
Go for the Green Dressage Schooling Show	March 7, 2027	Wickham Park
Earth Appreciation Dressage Schooling Show	April 11, 2027	Wickham Park

2026 COMMITTEES/VOLUNTEER ROLES

Volunteer Roles	Member(s)
Show Manager	Barbara Nagle
Show Secretary	Sandy Gillespie
Volunteer Coordinator	Montana Zito
Judges Hiring Agent	Lynne Everest
Show Awards Purchasing Agent	Gloria Kanungo
Wickham Park Liaison	Sandy Gillespie
Mailchimp Manager	Cynthia Lord
Wix Web Master	Anne Vliegenthart/Laurie Young (backup)
Performance Awards Chairperson	Laurie Young
Social Media Manager	Lindsey Rosado
Volunteer Recognition Committee	Laurie Young, Montana Zito, Virginia Tucker
Virtual Show Opportunity Committee	Anne Vliegenthart, Laurie Young, Ann Hill, Montana Zito, Virginia Tucker