

**EQUESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TO**

BEAR VALLEY ASSOCIATION BOARD

DATE:	September 11, 2023	
TIME:	9:02 a.m.	
PLACE:	EC Lounge	
ATTENDANCE:	Cheryl Akerly, Melissa Auman, Kathy Carey, John Casdorff, Carol Knipp, Deborah Meyer, Susan Mustaffa,	
PRESENT:	George McMackin, Doug Slavin, Guy Munday, Don Ciota General Mngr.	
OTHERS PRESENT:	Dana Carpenter	
ABSENT:	Jena D'Cruz, Suzi Vlietstra, Judy Walsh, Desiree Whatmough, Debi Kermode, Joan Howard, Cole Raymond	
SUBJECT/ISSUE	DISCUSSION	CONCLUSIONS/ RECOMMENDATIONS/FOLLOW UP
Call to Order:	Kathy Carey called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.	
1. Review of August Minutes	1. The minutes were approved as written and will be submitted to the BVSA Board.	
I. Informational Updates		
A. Equestrian Manager's Report	Doug stated all positions have been filled. Both barns are full with a waiting list. The mare motel is used for short term board (30 days or less). The Equine Emergency Plan will be discussed at the Whiting Center 6:30 on the 21st. Chief Suttles Kern Fire, and CCADPT representatives will be there. Irrigation for the jumping arena will begin this week. The rain gutters on the main guard will be replaced this month. Doug reiterated that this is an equestrian center and all arenas will remain open for clinics, practices, events, unless weather or some unforeseen event. An arena cannot be closed because it makes someone uncomfortable. He also discussed usage of the marquee. It was agreed that usage of the marquee would be for horse activities or concerns. Doug also suggested that clubs complete their special use forms for 2024. People are asking for use of the room already.	
B. Informational Only		
1) MPS	1). From last meeting, Members to serve on this committee include Kathy Carey, Debi Kermode, Doug Slavin, and Suzi Vlietstra. A meeting time will be scheduled to focus on arena replacement footing.	
2) Kitchen Update	2) There were some concerns expressed about the kitchen. James Panek will build more storage. Doug was to check into replacement of the grill. Additional coverage is required. The Buckaroos offered to help with some of this expense. Doug was concerned about campers plugging into the kitchen for energy source. Don and Doug will visit the kitchen after the meeting.	

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3) CLUB UPDATES	<p>Dressage: An Open House and Kentucky Derby party is scheduled for May 4. This will be an opportunity for all clubs to showcase their specialties. More will be discussed as this approaches. Last show was cancelled because of the storm.</p> <p>Horsemen's: 9/3 will be a chicken fajita and Margarita ride. It will be a flat ride about an hour and then return for dinner. \$20 fee. :Buckaroos: just enjoyed another successful Play. Kids had a lot of fun and JP sorting was on Sunday. Next and final Playday and JP will be October 14, 15th. Carriage Club: There will be a ride and drive on the 24th. Club is changing their meeting dates to the third Thursday because so many wanted to attend the CSD meeting. Greenhorns: Continue to have different cow practices Tuesday and Saturday mornings. October 21 and 22 will be a versatility clinic and a practice show on Sunday. They are also hosting the Cattle Women's association October 8 all are invited to do the wine ride, clinics, and dinners.</p>	
E) BVSA/CSD Liaison/BVSA Board Reports	E. Most of the meeting was dedicated to water leases. However, with regard to the encroachment on the Valley Trail referred to Fort Apache, Don will meet with the owners as a first approach to correcting the fence line.	
F) Trails:	F). Both John Casadorph and Doug Slavin gave reports for Cole on trail concerns. 1) Oak Canyon has been repaired. 2) New nossils have been issued for wash racks. 3) Horse was euthanized on one of the upper trails. 4) Kids have been riding on private property from the old San Juan trail. This trail will be better maintained so you can tell where the trail is. 5) Some trail signage was put up and there was lots of feedback on the design. 6) The wood bridge has brought concern to some riders; however, Cole ran some heavy equipment on the bridge and it is sturdy. People can ride through the ditch. 7) Nature path will be groomed. 9) Wild Canyon and Oat Slope have some tacos in them. Water bars are moved on the Kemp trail. With regard to the bridge, Don will meet with Cole to determine the condition of the bridge. Cole will remain on board through October 19th.	
E) OLD BUSINESS		
A. Recreation Committee Update	A) No update	
B Trail Easement Hart Loop	B. Mark Milano has told several members his project is on hold and to go ahead and ride the Hart Loop trail. He asked to see if part of the easement can be moved just below his property. This will be further investigated. Cole has done some work on the trail; however, both Sue and Carol rode it and had concerns with soft deep dirt. Cole is on vacation but Sue will speak with him upon his return.	
C. Signage - Upper Trails	C) Comments above.	
D. Water for Jumping Arena	E. See above in Equestrian Manager's report.	
E. Fort Apache Survey	E. See above BVSA/Liaison: Don to meet with owners	
F. Main Arena Footing	F. No action has been taken. This was deferred.	
G. Potential easement on San Juan	G. George will speak with owners on corner lot of Cumberland and San Juan regarding their interest in an easement.	

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F. New Business		
A. Appreciation	A. Wednesday at 3 in the Equestrian Center Loung will be the Volunteer Appreciation gathering.	
B. Cattle Cover	B. No discussion	
Recommendation to Board made several months ago	No recommendataions	
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 10:25a.m.	
MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:	<i>Cheryl Akerly</i>	
NEXT MEETING	2-Oct-23	