

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND REGION
MINUTES OF THE FALL COUNCIL MEETING
September 20, 2015

The Central New England Regional Council held a Fall Council Meeting at the Groton Fairgrounds during lunch break at D Rally. There were 10 members in attendance which was not enough to make a quorum. Attendees included the following: Sue Hanna, Amanda Ellis, Heather Dostal, Judi O'Neil, Wendy Johnson, Lelo Reeves Curtis, Betsey Reeves, Liz Hoyt, Karen Herrick and Donna LaPierre. There were 4 clubs and 3 riding centers represented. Amanda Ellis led the meeting.

Due to the low turnout, as well as activities at D Rally to attend, we were unable to really discuss many issues. We did discuss the importance of bringing in more volunteers to help with Regional activities and decided to hold another meeting on October 24th to prepare for the November Annual Business Meeting. Each club is asked to "bring a friend", someone from their club who would be interested in helping on the regional level. We really need to add to our volunteer base and believe that each club has at least one parent who is in it for the long run and would be willing to become more active in the region. So please discuss with your clubs and bring at least one parent if not more to the October meeting. The meeting was originally planned for Marlborough MA but has been moved to the First parish Church in Groton MA at 10:00. Amanda is going to send out a list of possible volunteer positions we'd like to fill.

Next we discussed the National Youth Congress. DCs should discuss with members and submit names of qualified pony club candidates age 18 and up with an HB or higher rating.. We can send one and possibly two members to the USPC Annual Meeting which is going to be held in Orlando FL this year from February 4th -7th. The deadline is 11/1 so if you can bring names to the 10/24 meeting that would work well and we can figure out who to send as a representative of CNE.

We briefly discussed Junior Board and will need to explore further at the October meeting.

The Annual Business Meeting date that works best is November 21 at 10:00, location to be determined. A formal announcement and agenda for the business meeting will be sent shortly.

At 1:00 p.m., with no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Reed Johnson
Regional Secretary