

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND REGION  
MINUTES OF THE 2007 ANNUAL COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING  
November 17, 2007

The Central New England Regional Council met at Nashoba Valley Tubing Park on November 17, 2007 for the Annual Business Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 10:15 and the following were in attendance: Audrey Zwicker, Julie Koss-Stephany, Karen Marcotte, Lisa Cook, Iris Realmuto, Betty Staten, Helen Robinson, Chris Keim, Shelly Patrick, Janet Oliver, Nancy Fantom, Elizabeth Kohler, Penny Jaques, Curtis Renner, Sara Michas, Sarah McCauley, Deb Titus, Chris Daly, Lisa Brem, Tracey Young, Peggy Knight, Debbie Power, Louise Hara, Carol Seale, Leonora Giguere, Betsey Reeves, Lelo Reeves Curtis, and Wendy Johnson.

Betsey began the meeting by welcoming the new faces. She read her RS Report on the Region, copy attached. She thanked all the clubs for their support with the USPC Annual Meeting and this year's rallies and clinics. She was particularly proud of the way the clubs encouraged the kids to think of the region as a whole, and work together at rallies and preps. Betsey pointed out that we offered every rally except Polocross this year, sent a large number of competitors to Championships, and had a number of members rate up with a very high passing rate. We also have more Centers than any other region and more Centers members than anywhere else in the country.

Curtis was next on the Agenda with the Financial Report. He passed around the Actual Budget for 2007 and the Proposed Budget for 2008, copies attached. There were some questions about which figures fall under UL and which should be credited to the C3 program. Chris Keim and Catherine will speak with Curtis later to square away. Iris asked that Curtis include the championship fund (or its expenses) on the income statement and Curtis will try to fit those figures into the next report. **A motion was made to accept the Budget, it was seconded and passed unanimously.**

Each Coordinator then presented a year end report, all of which are attached to the Minutes. **A motion was made to approve the reports and it passed unanimously.** Catherine Williams announced that Allison Blood will be assisting her with the UL program. Unmounted meetings will be held this winter and C3/HB candidates are welcome to attend along with the UL candidates. She expects there will be more collaboration between the HB/C3 and UL programs, but thinks it is important to have separate Coordinators to help the kids focus on their particular needs. Betsey asked if we would be interested in possibly hosting a specialty dressage rating this year and will discuss further as details become available. She will also take an informal head count for ratings interest this year, later during the regular Council Meeting.

Chris Daly mentioned that it was a tough year for the Junior Board. Caroline and Amanda Brem would like to keep the group going if possible and hope to contact C2's from the various clubs.

During the Webmaster's report, people were asking about the large amount of spam which is a burden to everyone right now. Iris is going to reconstruct the CNE list for the upcoming year. She also has a new email address which is listed on her report.

After the reports were approved, we moved on to the Report of the Nominating Committee. The slate was announced by Karen Marcotte. **A motion was made to accept the slate as presented. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. The new officers for 2008 are as follows:**

**Betsey Reeves-RS**  
**Catherine Williams-VRS**  
**Curtis Renner-Treasurer**  
**Wendy Johnson-Secretary**

There will be no assistant treasurer next year. We will need to request checks from Curtis on a timely basis. Betty suggested that rally coordinators try to get the judges information from Lara earlier, in order to plan for the number of checks they will need. Betsey thanked Audrey on behalf of the Region for doing such a great job as Assistant Treasurer. She also thanked Deb Titus, Leonora Giguere and Louise Hara who are stepping down from their positions. Carol Seale has agreed to take over from Louise as the RIC. Lara Hubner will continue as HMO.

Due to the length of discussion over several policies that need to be amended, it was agreed to table the discussion of Regional Policies until the next meeting. It was also agreed that we would discuss the 2008 calendar in more detail at the next meeting. At 11:15 the Central New England Regional Council Business Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Johnson

**Regional Supervisor's Report  
Central New England Region  
November 17, 2007**

2007 was another very good year for CNER. We continue to grow and are excited about the upcoming USPC Annual Meeting we are hosting in Boston. Our programs are, for the most part strong, and we have done a great job at intermingling our members with the many inter-club activities.

The C-3 Program held a very large C-3 testing, the last format as we have known it before the switch to the H-B and the specialty ratings. Then we had some members partake in one of the first H-B testings and that was successful as well. We sent 37 of our members to Championships and Festival, and they represented CNER very well! A lot of effort went into sending those members, and I thank everyone that had a part on making that such a good experience for so many. We have a very successful D-3/ C-1 program that even members from other regions have been a part of.

The Upper Level Program was a bit quieter this year, but it helped produce one new H for the region, with some more testings still to go. The Dressage Program was also quiet, but not because the Advisor Leonora was asleep, it just didn't have as much interest this year.

We have two very active Centers, and these two have over 90 members. CNER has more Centers members than any other region or area of the country.

The rallies the clubs hosted went well for the most part, it takes a HUGE effort to host a rally, and the leaders of CNER are excellent at hosting rallies. We had at least one of every sort of rally, just Polocross wasn't held in this region. Maybe we can do something about that?

We have been busy planning the 2008 USPC Annual Meeting, and look forward to that being over! I am sure it will be a great success. We just need Paul Revere to ride through!

It takes a huge number of volunteers to run a region, and I enjoy my association with all. Having been in USPC for fifty years, I finally feel as if I have found one of the best jobs, and I thank each and every one who has helped make this region so successful!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betsey Reeves, RS.

# 2007 Central New England Region Annual HMO Report

## **I. Report of the Regional Horse Management Clinic**

### **Standards and Horse Management Introduction Clinic**

March 3, 2007 - Scarlet Hill Farm - Groton, MA

Organizer - Louise Hara

Clinicians - Meredith Beeuwkes, Lara Hubner, Leigh Davis, Audrey Cooney

Attending CHMJ's/PCHMJ's - Lara Hubner

Attending AHMJ's - Wendy Johnson, Louise Hara

## **II. Regional Rally Report**

### **Qualifying Eventing Rally - May 12 & 13, 2007**

PCHMJ - Lori Underwood

MCHMJ - Betsey Reeves (as authorized by HM Committee)

AHMJ - Wendy Johnson

### **Qualifying Games Rally - May 26 & 27, 2007**

CHMJ - Lu Moulton

AHMJ's - Ryan Sullivan, Judi O'Neil, Teaghan Judd, Matt Winkler, Louisa McKown

Apprentice HMJ - Nancy Horten

### **Qualifying Show Jumping Rally - June 17, 2007**

CHMJ - Liz Doering

AHMJ's - Andrea Maillet, Colleen Corrigan, Jennie Merrill, Emily Kil, Wendy Johnson, Debra Titus

### **Qualifying Dressage Rally - June 30 - July 2, 2007**

CHMJ - Laurie Chapman-Bosco

AHMJ's - Lara Hubner, Wendy Johnson, Angelika Hellmer, Judi O'Neil, Ryan Sullivan, Debra Titus

### **Qualifying Tetrathalon Rally - September 8 & 9, 2007**

PCHMJ - Lara Hubner

MCHMJ - Karen Marcotte

AHMJ - Wendy Johnson

### **Non-Qualifying Eventing Rally - September 23, 2007**

CHMJ - Emily Kil

AHMJ's - Lara Hubner, Ryan Sullivan, Judi O'Neil, Sarah Titus

Apprentice HMJ - Nancy Horten

### **D-Level Eventing Rally - September 30, 2007**

PCHMJ - Rebecca Smith

MCHMJ - Brian Smith

AHMJ's - Lara Hubner, Judi O'Neil, Teaghan Judd

Apprentice HMJ's - Charlotte Greenbaum, Kate Erickson

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
**Lara Hubner, HMO**

## **Central New England Region Pony Club UL Program Report for 2007**

Submitted by: Catherine Williams & Aliza Edwards co- program coordinators

This year CNE had an outstanding group of pony clubbers participate in the UL program. We also had Pony Clubbers from neighboring regions attend our meetings and camps.

### **Un-Mounted Meetings**

We started the year with three unmounted meetings held once a month January thru March. These meetings are open to all pony clubbers who are rated C2 and up or for those members who are older and interested in the topics. They are taught at the HA level by Laurie Chapman-Bosco. They were well attended by a mix members prepping for C3, B, H and HA ratings. All attending choose a topic to research at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting and presented to the group at a latter meeting. The information presented was impressive and the girls shared hand outs for study purposes.

### **Clinics**

In February we held a clinic on how to make and apply specialty bandages with Allison Blood

We hosted a conformation clinic on March 4 at UNH. It was attended by several members prepping for the C3 and HA ratings. This clinic was conducted as a prep for what is expected at the HA level. Each participant was assigned a horse to assess. They worked in groups of 3 – 4 to evaluate the horse's confirmation and movement. Then each pony clubber their horse to Laurie and the group as they would in a HA test. Again the knowledge and salesmanship skills of this group were impressive.

We held a teaching clinic for the HA / H candidates in June. Laurie Chapman-Bosco worked with 4 prepping for the HA test. All had an opportunity to teach a group lesson with feed back from Laurie.

### **Camps**

Over Memorial Day Weekend a Prep camp was held at New Gait Manor. Elizabeth Gatterdam and Bunny Hendricks were clinicians. We had 9 riders prepping for a B rating, 4 for the HA / H and an A pony clubber came with a green horse to participate in the mounted clinics.

### **Ratings**

We are very proud to report the region has a member who passed their H rating.

Stef La Cour passed her H at the New Jersey test in July.

There are 2 members who are scheduled to testing this fall. 1 for a HA and 1 for a B.

It has been a pleasure and an honor to work with these very talented young ladies this year. We look forward to working with them again next year and welcome the new C3s to the group for 2008.

# D3/C1 Program 2007 Year End Report



2007 was another successful year for the D3/C1 Program. We were able to offer four clinics. The first clinic was held at UNH in December with Laurie Chapman Bosco. The topic was Nutrition and the Digestive System. Thanks to the Nashoba Valley Pony Club for lending their life size digestive tract presented by Stephanie LeCours (C3 at that time). Laurie gave an overview of nutrition and the kids brought in their hay and grain to analyze.

Our January clinic, held in Groton MA, was on Equine First Aid. Katie Biery (H/A Rockingham) was the clinician, assisted by Sarah Titus (C3 Rockingham). After the lecture, the kids played a game of Equine Jeopardy to test their knowledge.

Our February clinic, also held in Groton, was Shoeing with Betsey Reeves. After Betsey's lecture, the kids broke into small groups and identified various shoes, including some brought from their barns. Stations were manned by Ben Vaughn (C1 at that time from Squamscott), Michelle Realmuto (C3 Groton), and Samantha Lutz (B Nashoba Valley).

Our final clinic in March was hosted by the Jericho Forest Pony Club and was held at the Akbar's barn in Wayland MA. The topic was Spring Cleaning with Elizabeth Pelis as head clinician. The club did an excellent job setting up stations to demonstrate how to pull a mane, groom a horse, clean a sheath, clean tack, and fit up and condition a horse for spring. Caroline Daly (C2 at the time from Swift River), Heather Maythem (C3 Jericho Forest) and the whole Jericho Forest Pony Club did a great job with the clinic. Unfortunately attendance was low and many missed a great opportunity to learn some practical skills.

There were 39 attendees at the first clinic, 44 at the second, 34 at the third and 14 at the final session. 32 attendees were from White Mountain Region and we charged them \$5 a piece for a total of \$160. Our expenses for clinicians and facilities came to \$376.18 for a net cost of \$216 for the program.

Overall, attendance was quite good, feedback was excellent, and the program achieved its mission which was to provide an educational program beyond the level offered at the clubs, while promoting a social opportunity for kids to meet their fellow pony clubbers from around the region. A total of 93 kids attended at least one of the four clinics, and they represented 15 different clubs from CNE and WMR. This year the group was mainly lower rated Ds with fewer of our Cs attending, but we still had good overall representation. Also, we were able to utilize a large number of older members to serve as clinicians, assistants, and role models to the younger members.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Johnson

## Championships 2007

We had 37 competitors in Kentucky.

All did us proud.

Outside of a twisted ankle by one of our stable managers and an under the weather mount, all got to compete.

Competition was friendly, upbeat...and, well – competitive!

Thank you to all that chipped in to make the process go smoothly.

Here is what was sent in an email to competitor families

This is a fantastic group - and yes, when you see people walking around with a smile or continuing with their teamwork even in the wake of upset, that's a group of people of which we are proud!

As Champs Coordinator, I just wanted to thank everyone again for helping me out.

Recognition and appreciation to the following:

- Mel Litter for organizing the Pizza Party on Tuesday night - we were hungry!
- Janet Oliver and Carol Seal for organizing the commercial shipping for the region.
- Hope, a PC member from Wentworth (don't know her last name) - for helping me summarize notes for competitor ride times so I could later print out a consolidated information sheet and post in our tent.
- Lelo for coaching our riders in Eventing and Show Jumping
- Parents - **for keeping it positive** during their stressful moments, learning of bad news and during/after they had their rides or quiz rounds.
  - As evidence of this, I saw Eli (Lucy Bicks' mother hug Tammy Rodney just after Kayla and Margot rode their very nice Pas de Deux) - now that's support!
  - Angelika Hellmer showed her support by taking great photos of other kids on her daughters' teams.
- Non Competitor Pony Club Members: from Wentworth, Pentucket, Merrimack River, and Rockingham Pony Clubs for making the big trip to support your teammates...perhaps you are also down in KY for Festival - if that is the case, enjoy!
- To all of you for signing up for volunteer posts throughout Chaps - that really helps championships go smoothly!
- Kandi Wasser (my mother) for helping us set up the tent and hang the CNE -Annual Meeting Banner, move things from out of the rain (maybe I can get her to be the co-coordinator next time?)
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- Regarding Pins - I have not forgotten...as soon as the rest of them come in we will communicate a plan to distribute them.

### Central New England Junior D Quiz Teams

Team 1  
Devon Flanagan  
Lilly Patrick Chalfant  
Paige Beliveau  
Lizzie Seymour

Team 2 - Not able to attend  
Seija Samaylenka  
Danielle Graham  
Natalie Wohl  
Gina Koss-Stephany

Alternates - Not able to attend  
Faith Potorski  
Sarah Brem

### Central New England Senior D Quiz Teams

Team 1  
Carolyn Drover  
Alyson Werth  
Julia Short  
Kathleen Bordewieck  
Team 2 - Not able to attend  
Hayden Clark  
Sarah Bakstran  
Lauren Moody

#### Results:

- 17th Overall (out of 34 teams)

Results: 24<sup>th</sup> overall out of 35 teams

#### Central New England/Carolina Junior C Quiz Teams

Jordan Litter

Results:

- 5th Overall (out of x teams)

#### Central New England/Carolina Beginner Novice Eventing Team

Madeline Monroe

Jocelyn Coe

Results:

- 8th Overall (out of 19 teams)
- 6th in Horse Management (out of 19 teams)

#### Central New England/Inland Empire Training Eventing Team

Meaghan Monroe

Results:

- 8th Overall (out of 15 teams)
- 3rd in Horse Management (out of 15 teams)

#### Central New England/New Jersey/Western New England H1 Show Jumping Team

Catrina Helmer

Taylor Phoenix

Annie Seymour (SM)

Results:

- 17 Overall (out of 19 teams)
- 11 in Horse Management (out of 19 teams)

#### Central New England Training Level Dressage Team

Bryn Oliver

Margot Popecki

Lauren Atherton

Kayla Rodney

Renee Bouchard (SM)

Results:

- 8th Overall (out of 25 teams)
- 11 in Horse Management (out of 25 teams)

Kayla Rodney and Margot Popecki placed 2nd in the pas de deux.

#### Southeastern New England / Old Dominion / Central New England Senior C Quiz Teams

Molly Kohler

Results:

- 2nd Overall (out of 9 teams)

#### Central New England Novice Eventing Team

Sarah Dowcett

Charlotte Greenbaum

Alice Tattersal

Lucy Bicks

Elizabeth Lochiato (SM)

Results:

- x Overall (out of x teams)
- 9th in Horse Management (out of 21 teams)

#### CNER Jr. Games Team - Firecrackers

McKenzie Fowler

Ella Robinson

Anna Manning

Claire Siebols

Monica Manning

Results:

- 18th Overall (out of 19 teams)
- 12th in Horse Management (out of 19 teams)

#### Central New England H2 Show Jumping Team

Lisa Hellmer

Alisha Deary

Sarah Titus

Katherine Lochiato (SM)

Results:

- 4th Overall (out of 6 teams)
- 5th in Horse Management (out of 6 teams)
- Lisa Hellmer 2nd place for Equitation
- Sarah Titus 5th place for Equitation

#### Central New England Novice Girls Tetrathlon Team

Alaska Akbar

Kelly Doyle

Results:

- Alaska - 1st Overall (out of 10 competitors)
- Kelly - 4th Overall (out of 10 competitors)
- x in Horse Management (out of x teams)

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND REGION  
ACTUAL BUDGET  
Period January 1, 2007 through November 12, 2007

	Income	Expenses	Net
<b>Administration</b>			
Dues	2,455	0	2,455
Interest	189	0	189
Meetings- USPC	0	1,620	(1,620)
Meetings- CNER	0	50	(50)
Goods	4,438	4,789	(351)
Overhead	0	1,218	(1,218)
Totals	<u>7,082</u>	<u>7,677</u>	<u>(595)</u>
<b>Clinics</b>			
Horse Management	0	0	0
Standards	0	378	(378)
Instructors	0	0	0
Totals	<u>0</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>(378)</u>
<b>Events</b>			
Championships	0	0	0
C Rally	0	0	0
D Rally	2,215	1,449	766
Dressage Rally	5,670	4,329	1,341
Dressage Rally - NQ	0	0	0
Eventing	810	665	145
Eventing - NQ	2,725	1,921	804
Games	4,650	3,471	1,179
Quiz	3,670	2,380	1,290
Show Jumping	550	2,865	(2,315)
Tetrathlon	2,240	797	1,443
Totals	<u>22,530</u>	<u>17,877</u>	<u>4,653</u>
<b>Upper Levels</b>			
D-3/C-1 Program	0	220	(220)
Dressage	0	0	0
C-3 Program	8,985	9,505	(520)
C-3 Testing	450	700	(250)
UL Program	3,891	6,618	(2,727)
UL Testing	2,250	1,471	779
Totals	<u>15,576</u>	<u>18,514</u>	<u>(2,938)</u>
Totals for Year	<u>45,188</u>	<u>44,446</u>	<u>742</u>
Junior Board	<u>434</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>284</u>



CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND REGION  
PROPOSED BUDGET  
Period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008

	Income	Expenses	Net
<b>Administration</b>			
Dues	2,500	0	2,500
Interest	200	0	200
Meetings- USPC	0	1,800	(1,800)
Meetings- CNER	0	240	(240)
Goods	0	0	0
Overhead	0	1,200	(1,200)
Totals	<u>2,700</u>	<u>3,240</u>	<u>(540)</u>
<b>Clinics</b>			
Horse Management	0	240	(240)
Standards	0	240	(240)
Instructors	0	240	(240)
Totals	<u>0</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>(720)</u>
<b>Events</b>			
Championships	7,875	7,500	375
C Rally	0	0	0
D Rally	1,260	1,200	60
Dressage Rally	6,930	6,600	330
Dressage Rally - NQ	0	0	0
Eventing	2,100	2,000	100
Eventing - NQ	1,100	1,000	100
Games	1,575	1,500	75
Quiz	2,415	2,300	115
Show Jumping	2,625	2,500	125
Tetrathlon	0	0	0
Totals	<u>25,880</u>	<u>24,600</u>	<u>1,280</u>
<b>Upper Levels</b>			
D-3/C-1 Program	0	500	(500)
Dressage Program	1,100	1,600	(500)
C-3 Program	4,200	4,000	200
C-3 Testing	2,500	2,500	0
UL Program	10,500	10,000	500
UL Testing	0	0	0
Totals	<u>18,300</u>	<u>18,600</u>	<u>(300)</u>
<b>Totals for Year</b>	<u><u>46,880</u></u>	<u><u>47,160</u></u>	<u><u>(280)</u></u>



# *United States Pony Club* *Central New England Region*



## **Webmaster Report 2007**

This is the 6th year that the CNER website has been in operation. The url is <http://cne.ponyclub.org/>. It continues to be an active site. We have many visitors from within and outside the region.

Our classified ad section is very popular. The ads are free and I keep them posted for at least 6 months.

We hosted the 2008 USPC Annual Meeting Information on our site for many months leading up to the official USPC registration site. All our presentations, brochures, hotel information, and Boston locale information were transferred to the new site.

Spam seems to be a problem within the USPC distribution lists. You should work with your ISP. There have been times when Verizon and Comcast have completely blocked email sent to the distribution lists. I have been notified in these cases and have passed on the email messages. So there has been no loss of information. For 2008, I will be deleting the [cner@cne.ponyclub.org](mailto:cner@cne.ponyclub.org) distribution list and creating a new list called [cne@cne.ponyclub.org](mailto:cne@cne.ponyclub.org). This should reduce the spam also.

Thanks to everyone for supplying me with information to post! On average, I post something once every 2 days throughout the year.

My email is changing. My new email is [iris@realmuto.net](mailto:iris@realmuto.net).

Respectfully submitted,  
Iris Realmuto  
Webmaster

## RIC Report

Winter education programs included the upper level lectures by Laurie Chapman-Bosco held in Nashua, NH, and the D3/C1 workshops organized by Wendy Johnson .

The D1 to C1 Standards Clinic combined with the HM Rally Readiness Clinic was held at Scarlet Hill Farm in Groton Ma. on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Meredith Beeuwkes was the clinician. This format produced a better attendance than previous years with well over 40 members hailing from most of the clubs.

The C-3 program was started on March 4<sup>th</sup> with an unprecedented number of members. We filled the room of the First Parish Church in Groton for this first meeting. Nancy Grout as clinician presented the standards using visual aids from the C3 standards tape and new standards CD with her own commentary for a very effective demonstration. She also did a bandaging and bits explanation of the C3 level. Since this is the first year of the HB and the new show jump and dressage tracks, the standards changes for these disciplines were also reviewed.

For Memorial Day weekend, two camps were held for the C3 and upper level. The C3 camp was held at Apple Knoll Farm with 29 participants. The Upper level program was held at New Gate Manor in Ware, NH. Both camps successfully provided education and training for the levels. Many thanks to Jackie Jacobs, Catherine Williams and Aliza Edwards who ran the programs, and to the many parents who assisted.

Testings for the C3 was held by SNER and NYUC. We held one new HB rating at the University of New Hampshire on August 26, organized by Christine Keim. She did a great job and produced 5 new HB's that day and two more to complete before the end of the year. We have one new H.

Preparations are well underway for the 2008 annual meeting to be held in Boston. I am currently working on the workshops with the National Office. This will be my last official duties as RIC as I will be stepping down and handing the responsibilities over to the capable hands of Carol Seale. It has been a very happy number of years that I have served the region and I thank you for all the help that you have given me over the years to help this region grow.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Hara