

CGA Bylaws/Rules and Judges/Riders/General Membership Meeting
Minutes for November 21, 2015
Doubletree Hotel Fresno, CA

- I. **Opening & Introductory Comments** – President
Rick Long, President opened meeting and welcomed members. Timmi Lemen, Vice President welcomed and read rules of conduct.

- II. **Bylaws Meeting**
 - A. Phyllis Odom: District delegates as part of the ruling body-
District delegates either are or are not a part of the Board of Directors. Per the Internal Revenue Service, if a District Delegate votes on financials, budgets, etc, they are considered part of the Board of Directors and we are required to file their personal information with the IRS annually with our tax return. **MOTION** is to change the wording in Article 5 of the CGA Bylaws to coincide with the Board of Directors Policy Manual Section 2 – Ruling and Administrative Bodies – 2.1 “District Delegates are not a member of the Ruling Body. They may vote on General Membership issues at the Board of Directors meetings”. **SECONDED** by Ellen Carr, discussion, vote taken, **MOTION PASSED**.

- III. **Rules & Judges Meeting (voting – Rules and Judges)****ALL CGA Members are invited to participate in this portion of the meeting, however ONLY Carded Judges may vote on action items at this point.**
 - A. Sherri Herchkorn on behalf of the MAC. **MOTION** is Rule Book Section 5.4 Entering the arena should read:
 - A. A rider may be assisted through the gate, and up to the timing line. The assistant cannot pass the timing line inside or outside of the timing poles. Such action will result in disqualification.
 - B. A rider must ride their horse into the arena.
 - C. A rider may not school his/her horse prior to running the course. Schooling is defined as going around an obstacle more than once in a close, tight turn. Such action will result in a disqualification. **SECONDED** by Andy Krogh, discussion, vote taken, **MOTION PASSED**.
 - B. Ellen Carr made a **MOTION** to change the unruly horse rule 5.5c to include the following after the word rider. “Ex-rider or persons or horse that could also be in jeopardy”. This would give the judge the ability to excuse a kicker, striker, biter that can endanger others, at present it only applies to the rider. **SECOND** by Dianna Malley, discussion.
Andy Krogh made amended **MOTION** to Add to Rule Book, Section 5.1b (add)5 to read, “Unruly Horse – for the safety of the rider, other person, or other horse that may be in jeopardy, such action may result in disqualification”. **SECOND** by Allyson Shiffrar, discussion. Was suggested that this rule be made a separate section to include outside of arena
Andy Krogh made amended **MOTION** to Add to Rule Book Section 5.1c, Unsafe conduct inside or outside of the arena, (1) Unruly horse, For the safety of the rider, other persons, or horses that may be in jeopardy, such action may result in disqualification. **SECOND** by Rodger Odom, Discussion, vote taken, **MOTION PASSED**.
 - C. Allyson Shiffrar-Bareback riding at State sanctioned events. I would like to bring to the members a chance to vote or discuss if a bareback pad is required to be used while riding at any state sanctioned show, like Northern and Southern classics, Jamboree, and State finals. If the members vote to keep the rule, then I would like to have it added to the main rules book under Section 3.1 Clothing and Tack, Sec c, and also added to the State show pamphlet under the rules for 2016 State Finals, on page 23, number 7. The reason behind this is to have quick reference at the state function shows. This will give a judge quick access to a rider that might question the rule. The only place this rule has been discussed is at the State finals during the riders meeting (for which this last year was not brought up. In my research I have found out that some of our judges and lots of new members that have not been to the State finals or at least to the riders meeting do not know about the rule. This will help clear any confusion when it arises in the future. I have looked through all the documents posted on our website and throughout the rule book, information book, and Bylaws. I cannot find anything regarding a rider riding bareback with or without a pad. There is a section in the State show pamphlet about riding double. I think this is where we should

add a notation about riding bareback. This will not affect any local clubs that might have rules already in place regarding riding bareback during their regular shows. **NO ACTION TAKEN**

- D. Allyson Shiffar. **MOTION** for Clarification of how the 80 foot foul line is in comparison to the timing line and timing poles. Is the valid starting point 80 feet from timing line or timing poles. **SECOND** by Amanda Martin, discussion. Tabled to go to MAC then to the BOG.

Riders General Membership Meeting (Voting – All Members) ALL CGA Members are invited to participate in this portion of the meeting, all members 12/over may vote.

IV. **Old Business**

V. **New Business**

- A. Rules & Judges items for final vote.

1. Discussion on item A – Vote, **MOTION PASSED**

2. Discussion on item B – Vote, **MOTION PASSED**

- B. Sally Rivera Lingafeldt-Clarify regarding Hall of Fame picture size for display at Convention. It will clarify the information manual sections 6.3.3 and 7.3.3 regarding Hall of Fame and Senior Elite photos and display of photos at State Awards Banquet. **MOTION #1** is to Modify IM Section 6.3.3 (ROC Hall of Fame) to read: They will receive a special Hall of Fame buckle, an engraved trophy plate and \$75 towards a framed picture to be displayed at the CGA Annual Convention Awards Banquet. The picture shall be administered by the rider, and shall not exceed 20" x 24" including frame. **MOTION #2** is to Modify IM Section 7.3.3 (Senior Elite Champions) to read: They will receive a special Senior Elite buckle at the CGA Annual Convention Awards Banquet, and may bring a framed picture for display. The picture shall be administered by the rider, and shall not exceed 20" x 24" including frame. No vote needed as Rodger Odom stated that BOG already took into consideration and added it to the IM with a new size of 21" x 25"
- C. Phyllis Odom-State show awards. **MOTION** is to change State Show awards as follows: Participation ribbon to ALL riders. Awards in each event 1st thru 5th. High Point awards to 5th place in each division. By eliminating 6th thru 10th place we will eliminate 273 medallions per event at a cost of \$2.90 each. Multiply that by 5 and with shipping costs we will save \$3998.50 each year on award costs. We could put that money toward high point awards to 5th place in each division. Most riders don't even take the 6th thru 10th place awards. **SECOND** by Belinda Harms, discussion, **MOTION WITHDRAWN**, **SECOND** by Belinda Harms. BOG will be looking further into awards. Joanne Galbraith is donating 21 hay bags to State Finals Awards.

VI. **Other Issues, Concerns, & Comments (non-voting)**

Jeannie Dudak, clarification on what can be worn under a helmet. It can be worn with something that covers ears, but anything over the crown cannot be worn under a helmet. Special circumstances can be taken to the MAC.

VII. **Adjournment**

MOTION by Chris Rowels **SECOND** by Andy Krogh

Respectfully submitted by:

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CGA Secretary