



Florida Whips, Inc.

Meeting Minutes: General Membership Meeting
August 15, 2015 @ 1:00 p.m. Grand Oaks Resort

- Meeting called to order by Tom Warriner, President
 - Welcomed new members
 - Thanked membership for helping the future of driving
 - Commented on a push to ask FEI and USEF to consider singles and pairs (instead of just fours) at Championship events
- Newly Elected Officer introductions and reports
 - Treasurer (Mary de Greef)
 - Read summary financial report, will be in September newsletter
 - Secretary (Erika Matulich)
 - Will be working with insurance issues this year
 - Working on modernization and coordination of Whips communication including website, member database, and member emailing list
- Membership (Kathie Beeson)
 - Reminder that membership renewals are due September 1
 - If you are able, [electronic membership forms](#) are preferred
 - Credit cards can be used [online](#) to pay for memberships
 - Member report was announced and will be published in September newsletter
- Newsletter announcements (Sioux Winter)
 - Reminder that the newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month (editor can work with items that may be a few days late if she expects them)
 - Please email photos as high-resolution .jpg files with a filename that names the driver (and equine if possible). Provide information about a caption, and also provide the name of the photographer.
 - Please email articles as a Word file, please email event flyers as a PDF file
 - Editor can help with design as long as content is sent before deadline
 - Printed/mailed newsletter has page limits; online newsletter does not, so the [online newsletter](#) will have more content and pictures than the printed newsletter
- Regional Directors and Alternates introduced themselves and made announcements of upcoming events (see online [Calendar](#))
- The online team made announcements
 - Linda Bennet toured the new [Whips Website](#) and noted that it still is a work in process
 - Judi Tintera toured the new [Photo Gallery](#); Whips event photos can be emailed to photos@flawhips.org and she will assemble into a gallery – send in pictures of the Whips Weekend at Grand Oaks!
 - Facebook page (Jan Petri) will be for Whips Members only beginning in October
 - Emailing list (Erika Matulich) – Whips members subscribed to the group can send an email to floridawhips@googlegroups.com and reach all other members
- Adjournment (Tom Warriner)