

General Meeting Minutes January 22, 2010

Minutes of General Meeting of the Florida Whips held on 1/22/2010 Diane and Bob Koopman's home in Steeplechase..

The general meeting was called to order at 7:45pm by the President Lynda Jowers. Lynda made announced that Florida

whips pins are still available to all members. The regional directors should have an ample supply. We have a generous supply of New Florida Whips brochures. These were designed by Nifty Hamilton's Brother Sam Shaver and were printed by Bus Hamilton as a donation to the club. We will offer some to the students of the Baxter driving class to be held next week.

The first order of business was the roll call.

Next was the president's report. Lynda noted a lack of interest in driving events this year. She said we must re do our efforts to promote our sport by supporting various recreational drives, HDTs, hosting event and volunteering. Diane Koopman said we should not be discouraged and we should renew our enthusiasm for our sport.

VP report: Linda Evans seconded Lynda's message.

The secretary's report is published on our web site. Treasurer's report will be published on our Web site. It was noted that our records need to be clarified to reestablish our 501c status as a Florida non-profit corporation. A couple of members sated they would try to get help from a CPA to look in to this problem.

Next we had the regional reports which I will attach to these minutes.

[Northern Region](#)

[SW Region](#)

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Fancine Arrington gave the [Membership Report](#) noting we have 216 total members. Her report will be attached.

Unfinished business:

We must sort out our treasury

Membership cards have been completed and sent out to the members.

New business:

Ray Knisley reported that he often acts as a safety inspector as various events and when he notes safety issues, he is often ignored or told that one's trainer told them to do it that way. Ray beliees he should be able to report these issues to either a judge for further input or at least to the event organizer. It was suggested That we look at the Bylaws and if necessary amend them to read that such safety issues be reported to organizer, Judge or steward.

Linda Evans stated that the Live Oak Tailgate party was a huge success last year and recommended that we do it again this year. She called for more volunteers. Bob Tolmach moved and Dona Love 2nd a motion to repeat the Tailgate party at Live Oak. Deedee Connors moved and Ray Knisley 2nd a motion to allow \$400.00 for this event.

Ray Knisley reported that the Live Oak construction group needs volunteers to help rebuild some of the Hazards.

Connie Thoreson reported that Gloria Austin is having some summer workshops in conjunction with the Wounded Worriers Program.

Election of new officers for President and VP will occur at the May meeting. If you have thoughts re these offices please get your suggestions to Deedee who is nominating chair.

The meeting was then adjourned At about 9:30