SLO CDS General Meeting
at Elise Cutini's home in Arroyo Grande
May 6, 2025 @ 6:30pm

Attendees: Jeanne Boyd, Katey Katz, Susan Wayland, Stacie Rice, Laurie Gage, Kelly Thulin, John Rees, Amanda Hromadka, Sharon Jantzen, Lisa Everett, Barbi Breen-Gurley, Jeff Gurley, Libby Sleeper, Mossimo Jaramillo, Jackie Eckhaus, Elise Cutini, Linda Wleklinski, and Katie Sequeira (on phone)

Old Business:

Ride a Test Clinic:
Stacie reported on the Ride a Test Clinic that was at Ranch del Rio in Atascadero on April 13, 2025. The judge was Marianne Kruidenier, L graduate.
There were 12 riders, and it was well received by experienced riders as well as those new to showing.
Stacie reported that the clinic made almost $500.00 profit. The Profit and Loss Statement is pending.

Wine Country Dressage Show:
Katey Katz reported that the May 3 and 4, 2025 show was fairly successful, and that the Profit and Loss Statement is pending.
There were 42 riders entered this year as opposed to 49 last year.
Show Manager, Eric Grimm reported that entries have been consistent for the last 7 years.

Our biggest issue at the show was having the Volunteers available that make the show run. Luckily at the last minute everyone stepped up and we made it work.

On Saturday, the Tacos Tenexpa Jr food truck was on site all day and did a fantastic job keeping everyone well fed.
The Saturday night BBQ and Margarita Bar was fun and well attended. Much appreciation to Connie and Jeff Baxter for preparing the BBQ.

We also enjoyed having Gee Gee Equine at the show with fabulous DeNiro boots and accessories available to order.

Show Sponsors were:
Full Sail Bookkeeping x Ring
C and N tractors/Coast Equipment x warm up ring
Kelly Estes x 4th level
Suzanne Kritz x PSG
Jeanne Boyd x Second Level
Christina Sugarman x 2
Crane Creek Graphics

New Business:

SLO-CDS Website Updates:
Elise Cutini has been doing an excellent job keeping the website updated and it looks great. We have a new tab for local dressage trainer information, and we need content. We invite trainers to submit general information that you would like to share with the dressage community.
We also have a new tab for Classified ads for any horse related items. To submit your ad, visit the website at https://www.slocds.org/ and you will find a form to submit your details under the 'More' tab at the top of the page.

Educational clinics for 2025:
Now that the show is behind us, we are open to hearing about educational topics or speakers that you would like to submit for consideration. Please send details, including detailed costs to slocds805@gmail.com.

There was general discussion regarding Suzanne Kritz PT, DPT doing a body mechanics clinic at Rancho del Rio on May 15th. We are waiting to hear if there will be auditing spots available. There is the possibility of Rancho del Rio hosting music and BBQ, depending on costs. Organizers are going to contact Paula and check on the possibility of using the CDS daily insurance for this event.

Kelly Thulin mentioned that Debi Prochnow from Equinelimbrium would like to do a demo at a future meeting, possibly the July meeting.

AA Clinic May 23-25th at Twin Rivers Ranch with Lilo Fore
John Rees is Central Coordinator for the clinic.

There will be a Friday night SLO-CDS Sponsored Pizza Party, and all members are encouraged to come audit the rides on Saturday and Sunday!

Next meeting 6:30 pm on Tuesday July 1, 2025, Location to be announced.